

Waberthwaite & Corney Parish Council
Minutes of Parish Meeting held at Waberthwaite & Corney District
Village Hall,
7.30 pm on 10th March 2026.

Present

Chairman: Cllr N. Southward
Vice Chair: Cllr M Steele
Cllrs: A Hadwin, R Thornton, E Wilson
Clerk: G Savage

Minute Number	Item
106/25	Apologies for absence – Cllrs: J Varden, A Pritt. These were accepted and approved by the Council.
107/25	Declaration of Interest – None
108/25	Minutes - It was proposed by Cllr M Steele, seconded by Cllr A Hadwin and resolved that the Chairman sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13 th January 2026, minutes signed.
109/25	Public Participation – None
110/25	Progress Reports
	<p>Highways 110/1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EI/258590 - Grass verge running from CA18 1RS to CA18 1RI affecting sight lines and needs cutting back. Clerk reported that this has been passed to a team for action. Work not completed but has been assigned to a contractor by Highways - No update. • Excessive water running down the hill on the southbound carriageway on Alley Hill. During heavy rain the surface water runs like a torrent down the hill from ///elbowing.stove.holiday it misses all the 4 gulley drains until it runs into the 5th drain at point ///marshes.fiery.fear which is adjacent to Esk Villa - No Update <p>Reported again to Cllr Andy Pratt, no update, clerk to report to Highways.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In front of Croft House ///plausible.clocks.output the new road surface is higher than grass verge, it requires some alteration to the grass verge. <p>Reported to Cllr Andy Pratt, no update, clerk to report to Highways.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EI/281010 Broadoak footpath – Requires attention, stone washed onto path and not accessible in places. • EI/281015 School Warning Flashing lights – Not been working for some time.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Road Sweeper – Has not been present in the Parish for several years and road widths are decreasing in many areas. Reported to Cllr Andy Pratt – No update.
	110/2 Corney Telephone Box – No further update.
111/25	Unitary Councillor report: No update from Cllr A Pratt.
112/25	Finance
	<p>112.1 To consider the statements of accounts – Current a/c £81.96 BBM a/c 7,287.60 – 3/3/2026</p> <p>It was proposed by Cllr M Steele, seconded by Cllr A Pritt and resolved that the accounts be accepted.</p>
	<p>112.2 To consider the following payments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clerks March salary 2026 - £116.70 HMRC / PAYE – March 2026 £29.20 Hugofox monthly fee - £20.99 <p>It was proposed by Cllr E Wilson, seconded by Cllr A Hadwin and resolved that the payments be accepted.</p>
	<p>112.3 To note the following payments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> HMRC / PAYE –January £29.20 – 23/01/2026 Clerks travel expenses £30.64 – 25/01/2026 Clerks’ January salary £116.70 – 27/11/2025 Hugofox fee £20.99 – 28/01/2026 Clerks February salary £116.70 – 28/02/2026 HMRC / PAYE December £29.20 – 28/02/2026 <p>Noted</p>
113/25	Clerk’s report on any actions taken under delegated powers. None
114/25	<p>Correspondence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents have reported problems with drainage and road conditions at Hall Waberthwaite. Clerk has forwarded details to Cllr Andy Pratt for action. Residents have reported the problems to Cumberland Highways, who have carried out some work to try and address drainage issues. This has not resolved the problems and there are also still large potholes in the area which need repairing. Emails circulated to councillors for information.

115/25	<p><u>Planning Application – Granted.</u></p> <p>Application Number: 7/2025/4079 Location: Near Bank, Waberthwaite, LA19 5XX Proposal: Construction of a agricultural storage building/workshop to a section of agricultural land</p>
116/25	<p>Parish Matters, Council Priorities.</p> <p>116.1 Email account.gov.uk – Councillors have been issued with new .gov emails and will need to be activated by the end of March to comply with assertion 10 regulations.</p> <p>116.2 Councillor vacancy – The role for the vacancy has been published in various public places – no response to date.</p> <p>116.3 Policies - IT & Data Protection Policy – The new policy is now on the website.</p> <p>116.4 Corney Fell Road/ Oversized vehicles – A member of the community has raised the issue about oversized vehicles using the fell road ,which are prohibited. One suggestion put forward was to install signs before the exits at both sides ,directing traffic away from the fell road. Motorists not familiar with the area following sat navs are directed over the fell road and correct signage may help alleviate this problem. Clerk reported to Cllr Andy Pratt, awaiting dates for a meeting with Cllr Pratt.</p> <p>116.5 Stagecoach X7 new bus service – Clerk spoke to Stagecoach to establish where the bus stops in Waberthwaite as not displayed on the timetable. Stagecoach advised that it is best to use the app to plan your journey and this will inform residents where the nearest bus stop is to their location. There is a stop outside Brown Cow Inn, Waberthwaite and Broadoak Farm. The Stagecoach website also states that: In urban areas, you can only get off at marked bus stops. However, in rural areas with no fixed bus stops, our bus drivers will happily stop on request if it's safe to do so.</p> <p>Our biggest concern is your safety and the safety of the other customers and driver. This is why, once a driver has shut the bus doors and started driving, they're not able to stop.</p>
117/25	<p>Councillors' reports and items for future agenda.</p> <p>117.1 Curb stone at Croft Villas LA19 5YH is out of place, requires reporting to Highways. Location : What three words - graph-match-structure</p> <p>117.2 Road deteriorating top of Alley Hill North bound to Amity and requires repairing.</p>
118/25	<p>Date of next Parish meeting.</p> <p>It was proposed by Cllr M Steele, seconded by Cllr A Hadwin and resolved that the next Parish Council meeting would be Tuesday 14th April 2026 in Waberthwaite, Corney & District Village Hall at 7.30pm</p>

The meeting closed at 8.15 pm.