

Waberthwaite & Corney Parish Council
Minutes of Parish Meeting held at Waberthwaite & Corney District
Village Hall,
7.30 pm on 14th October 2025.

Present

Chairman: Cllr N. Southward
 Vice Chair: Cllr M Steele
 Cllr: R Thornton
 Clerk: G Savage
 No members of the public present

Minute Number	Item
66/25	Apologies for absence – Cllr A Hadwin. The apology was accepted and approved by the Council. Cllr A Clegg, E Wilson, A Pritt, J Varden. No apologies received
67/25	Declaration of Interest – None
68/25	Minutes - It was proposed by Cllr M Steele, seconded by Cllr R Thornton and resolved that the Chairman sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 16 th September 2025, minutes signed.
69/25	Public Participation – None
70/25	Progress Reports Highways 70/1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EI/237229 – Rubble opposite Lowther Street Waberthwaite & Triangle area, Village Hall. Reported to Highways and they have replied stating the contractors would deal with the removal of the rubble. Cllr M Steele reported that this has now been resolved. • 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. • 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 gully drains until it runs into the 5th drain at point ///marshes.fiery.fear which is adjacent to Esk Villa. Reported to Cllr Andy Pratt, Clerk to ask for update. • 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. Reported to Cllr Andy Pratt, Clerk to ask for update.
	70/2 Corney Telephone Box – No further update.

	<p>70/3 Parish Council car park/river bank repair. Work has now been completed. Invoice has been paid to the contractor for the work £5700. Clerk completed and submitted the project completion form for Cumberland. Project has now been completed.</p>
71/25	Unitary Councillor report: Cllr A Pratt has sent an email update for October 2025 which the clerk has circulated to Cllrs.
72/25	<p>Finance</p> <p>72.1 To consider the statements of accounts – Current a/c £172.54 BBM a/c £8958.24 – 6/10/2025</p> <p>It was proposed by Cllr R Thornton, seconded by Cllr M Steele and resolved that the accounts be accepted.</p> <p>72.2 To consider the following payments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerks October salary 2025 - £116.90 • HMRC / PAYE – October 2025 £29.00 • Joe Geer Ltd/Grass cutting £18 • Defibrillator Pads £79.13 • Insurance renewal, Zurich £214.00 due 16/11/2025 • HP/Laptop £379.04 • Microsoft office (Includes antivirus) £84.99 • Clerk expenses Printer Ink August 2024, £19.44 <p>It was proposed by Cllr R Thornton, seconded by Cllr M Steele and resolved that the payments be accepted.</p> <p>72.3 To note the following payments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerks' September salary £130.70 - 27/9/2025 • HMRC / PAYE –September £32.80 – 25/9/2025 • SW& J Wilson £2700 – 22/9/2025 • SW& J Wilson £3000 – 21/9/2025 • Joe Geer Ltd - £108.00 – 21/9/2025 <p>Noted</p>
73/25	<p>Clerk's report on any actions taken under delegated powers.</p> <p>None</p>
74/25	<p>Correspondence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emails circulated to councillors for information. • Email received from LDNP 16th October 2025 regarding meet & greet sessions to reconnect with Parish Councils. However there are no events being held in the Western Lake District. It was resolved that the Clerk would write to the LDNP requesting an event to be held in the Western Lake District.

75/25	<p>Planning</p> <p>Planning Applications:</p> <p>75.1 Reference: 7/2025/4078 Location: Three Nooks, Waberthwaite, Waberthwaite, LA19 5YL Proposal: Domestic use, proposed 7.2kW Solar PV Ground Mounted System and 10kWh Battery Installation. Solar PV (approx 9.07m x 3.05m) located in adjoining field to east side of existing stable. Surface below panels to be grass (area approx. 9m x 10m). 7.2kW Solar PV- 16 no.450w black panels on a ground mounting frame south facing. Panel framework is pile driven using ground fixing screws. The Solar PV is screened from wider view by the surrounding hedgerows. Duracell 6kW hybrid inverter mounted in house conservatory extension to rear of house. 2 x Duracell 5kWh batteries mounted in house conservatory extension to rear of house. Flattened / trimmed area approx. 10 x 4m re-seeded below PV panels using Cumbria Wildflowers 'Neutral Hay Meadow (NG5) Seed Mix' Reply by: 23 October 2025 Reply to: planning@lakedistrict.gov.uk</p> <p>There were no objections.</p> <p>75.2</p> <p>Planning granted:</p> <p>Application Number: 7/2025/4057 Location: St John's Church, Waberthwaite, Millom, LA19 5YW Proposal: Demolition of existing rear extension and replacement with new The Authority has made a decision (Granted) on this application.</p>
76/25	<p>Parish Matters, Council Priorities.</p> <p>76.1 - Parish Council laptop – Clerk has purchased HP Laptop direct from HP, cost £379.04</p> <p>76.2 Budget – This was discussed for the following year, it was resolved that the precept should be kept at £4000. Clerk to produce budget report for next meeting for the budget 2026/27 to be finally approved.</p> <p>76.3 Corney defibrillator. Cllr N Southward has visited location and agreed future checks with Guardian. The Circuit has been updated.</p> <p>76.4 Assertion 10 – The parish clerk updated councillors on the future requirement known as assertion 10. This will be a requirement to be included in the governance statement 2025/26 and is subject to audit.</p> <p>In relation to email accounts Councillors must have a dedicated email. Clerk has made enquiries with Hugo Fox and it will cost £214.80 plus vat for one year for 10 email accounts. Clerk to make further enquiries with CALC on the requirements and report back at next meeting.</p>
77/25	<p>Councillors' reports and items for future agenda.</p> <p>The clerk will add these items to the next agenda: None</p>
78/25	<p>Date of next Parish meeting.</p> <p>It was proposed by Cllr R Thornton, seconded by Cllr M Steele and resolved that the next Parish Council meeting would be Tuesday 11th November 2025 in Waberthwaite, Corney & District Village Hall at 7.30pm</p>

The meeting closed at 8.20 pm.