

**Waberthwaite & Corney Parish Council**  
**Minutes of Parish Meeting held at Waberthwaite & Corney District**  
**Village Hall,**  
**7.30 pm on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2026.**

Present

Chairman: Cllr N. Southward

Vice Chair: Cllr M Steele

Cllrs: A Hadwin, R Thornton

Clerk: G Savage

David Savage & Adrienne Calsey

Minute Number	Item
92/25	<b>Apologies for absence</b> – Cllr: J Varden. These were accepted and approved by the Council. Cllr A Pritt & E Wilson. No apologies received.
93/25	<b>Declaration of Interest</b> – None
94/25	<b>Minutes</b> - 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 11 <sup>th</sup> November 2025, minutes signed.
95/25	<b>Public Participation</b> – None
96/25	<p><b>David Savage Chair Millom Town Board Deal</b> – David Savage gave an update on the progress of projects being delivered by the Millom Town Board deal. The Chair committed to providing regular updates on progress of the projects and requested support in communicating this information to the local community.</p> <p><b>Adrienne Calsey BEAT project (Active Travel)</b> – Adrienne Calsey gave update on Barrow to Esk active travel project. This challenging but exciting project is at the very early stages which has the potential to provide safe and inclusive active travel connections for all - from Barrow to Esk.</p>
97/25	<b>Progress Reports</b>
	<p><b>Highways</b>  <b>97/1</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 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.</li> <li>• 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 5<sup>th</sup> drain at point ////marshes.fiery.fear which is adjacent to Esk Villa.</li> </ul> <p>Reported again to Cllr Andy Pratt, no update, clerk to report to Highways.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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.</li> </ul> <p>Reported to Cllr Andy Pratt, no update, clerk to report to Highways.</p>
	<b>97/2 Corney Telephone Box</b> – No further update.
<b>98/25</b>	Unitary Councillor report: No update from Cllr A Pratt.
<b>99/25</b>	<b>Finance</b>
	<p><b>99.1 To consider the statements of accounts –</b> Current a/c £46.38 BBM a/c £7,687.60 – 13/11/2025</p> <p>It was proposed by Cllr M Steele, seconded by Cllr A Pritt and resolved that the accounts be accepted.</p>
	<p><b>99.2 To consider the following payments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clerks January salary 2026 - £116.70</li> <li>Clerks February salary 2026 - £116.70</li> <li>HMRC / PAYE – January 2026 - £29.20</li> <li>HMRC / PAYE – February 2025 - £29.20</li> <li>Hugofox email monthly fee - £20.99</li> <li>Clerks travel expenses – return trip to Drigg £30.64</li> </ul> <p>It was proposed by Cllr A Hadwin, seconded by Cllr R Thornton and resolved that the payments be accepted.</p>
	<p><b>99.3 To note the following payments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hugofox website fee £143.86 – 13/11/2025</li> <li>HMRC / PAYE –November £29.20 – 24/11/2025</li> <li>Clerks' November salary £116.70 – 27/11/2025</li> <li>Waberthwaite village hall fee £50.00 – 2/12/2025</li> <li>Clerks December salary £116.70 – 28/12/2025</li> <li>HMRC / PAYE December £29.20 – 28/12/2025</li> </ul> <p>Noted</p>
<b>100/25</b>	<p><b>Clerk's report on any actions taken under delegated powers.</b></p> <p>None</p>
<b>101/25</b>	<p><b>Correspondence:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Emails circulated to councillors for information.</li> </ul>
<b>102/25</b>	<p><b><u>Planning Application – Granted.</u></b> <b>12(a) Reference: 7/2025/4069 Location: Skellerah Farm, Corney, Millom, LA19 5TW</b> <b>Proposal: Demolition of existing and rear and front extensions, and replacement rear extension and new front porch. Conversion of part of adjoined barn to become part of the farm house accommodation. Conversion</b></p>

	<p>of part of far end of adjoined barn to become self contained annex accommodation to the main house</p> <p>Reply by: 16 December 2025</p> <p>Reply to: <a href="mailto:planning@lakedistrict.gov.uk">planning@lakedistrict.gov.uk</a></p>
103/25	<p><b>Parish Matters, Council Priorities.</b></p> <p><b>103.1 Email account.gov.uk</b> – Arrangements were discussed and it was resolved that this would be paid on a monthly basis at cost of £20.99, clerk to arrange the accounts through Hugofox.</p> <p><b>103.2 Councillor vacancy</b> – It was resolved that the Clerk would produce a notice advertising the role for the vacancy which would be published informing the public and electors.</p> <p><b>103.3 Clerk Leave</b> – It was resolved that there would be no February meeting as the clerk will be unable to attend.</p> <p><b>103.4 IT &amp; Data Protection Policy</b> – It was proposed by Cllr A Hadwin and seconded by Cllr M Steele and resolved that the policy be accepted.</p> <p><b>103.5 Corney Fell Road/ Oversized vehicles</b> – A member of the community has raised the issue about oversized vehicles which are prohibited using the fell road. 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 to forward to Cllr Andy Pratt.</p>
104/25	<p><b>Councillors' reports and items for future agenda.</b></p> <p>The clerk will add these items to the next agenda:</p> <p><b>104.1 Stagecoach X7 new bus service</b> – Need to establish where the bus stops in Waberthwaite as not displayed on the timetable.</p> <p><b>104.2 Bin collections in Hall Waberthwaite</b> – Frequently being missed.</p> <p><b>104.3 Road Sweeper</b> – Has not been present in the Parish for several years and road widths are decreasing in many areas.</p> <p><b>104.4 Broadoak footpath</b> – Requires attention, stone washed onto path and not accessible in places.</p> <p><b>105.5 School Warning Flashing lights</b> – Not been working for some time.</p>
105/25	<p><b>Date of next Parish meeting.</b></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 10<sup>th</sup> March 2026 in Waberthwaite, Corney &amp; District Village Hall at 7.30pm</p>

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm.