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LAZONBY PARISH COUNCIL – WORKING FOR THE COMMUNITY

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A NOTICE TO:

All Members of Lazonby Parish Council and to all Lazonby Parishioners.

Date: Friday 2nd June 2023.

Dear Sir/Madam,

There will be a Meeting of Lazonby Parish Council on **Wednesday 7th June 2023, in the Jubilee Room, Lazonby Village Hall, at approximately 7.30 pm.** The Agenda for the meeting is enclosed and you are hereby summoned to attend.

The Agenda for the meeting is set out as below.

Yours faithfully,



Rebecca Wyatt
Clerk to the Council.

AGENDA

ITEM NO:	ITEM	RECOMMENDATIONS, CONSIDERATIONS & ACTIONS.
1.	Apologies for absence.	TO RECEIVE any apologies for absence.
2.	The filling of Council Member Vacancies.	TO CONSIDER any nominations to co-opt new Council Members.
3.	Requests for Dispensations.	TO RECEIVE any requests received by the Clerk since the previous meeting for dispensations to speak and/or vote on any matter where a member has a disclosable pecuniary interest.
4.	Declaration of Interest.	TO RECEIVE any Declarations by elected and co-opted Members of any Personal or Prejudicial Interests relating to any items on the agenda for this meeting. <i>Members are invited to declare any personal interests they may have relating to any item on the Agenda and, having done so, to consider whether they also have a prejudicial interest in that item. Members are also reminded that, in accordance with the revised Code of Conduct, they are required to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or other registerable interests which have not already been declared in the Council's Register of Interests. (It is a criminal offence not to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest either in the Register or at the meeting.) Members may, however, also decide, in the interests of clarity and transparency, to declare at this point in the meeting, any such disclosable pecuniary interests which they have already declared in the Register, as well as any other registerable or other interests. If a Member requires</i>

		<p><i>advice on any item involving a possible declaration of interest which could affect his/her ability to speak and/or vote, he/she is advised to contact the clerk at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.</i></p> <p><u>A note from the Clerk to the Council.</u> <i>A personal interest might be reasonably regarded as one which might affect a member's wellbeing, financial position, or business (which would be a 'direct' interest, as it impacts on the member directly); or that of a relative or friend (which would be an 'indirect' interest) to a greater extent than that of other council tax payers, ratepayers or other inhabitants of the area. A personal interest will also be a prejudicial interest if a member of the public, who knows the relevant facts, would reasonably think that a member's personal interest is so significant that it is likely to prejudice his / her judgement of the public interest.</i></p>
5.	Matters of Urgency.	<p>TO CONSIDER any matters on grounds of urgency which arrived too late to be otherwise placed on the agenda and/or are determined by certain deadlines.</p> <p><u>Please Note:</u> This item can be used to raise any 'matters of urgency', even if the matter is to be discussed later in the agenda under a related item heading. For example: planning applications that were received after the agenda was issued in order to meet the 21 day deadline. These will then be dealt with in the appropriate agenda item.</p>
6.	Public Participation.	<p>TO RECEIVE any contributions from the parishioners relating to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any item on the agenda; • And any other parish-related matter which they may wish to raise.
7.	Broadband in the Parish.	<p>TO RECEIVE an update about broadband issues in the parish.</p> <p>TO CONSIDER a request to use Parish Council land at Eden Bridge car park to store a welfare set up for Rural Fibre 4U/FACTCO while they put fibre broadband in the village.</p> <p><u>Report of the Treasurer to Council.</u> The Clerk received a phone call followed by an email asking if the Parish Council would allow the Eden Bridge car park be a welfare set up for Rural Fibre 4U/FACTCO build at Lazonby. Although they do not have a confirmed start date or duration, the Parish Council will be the first to receive this information.</p> <p>Welfare set up will be contained within Heras fencing and will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12ft container • 2 x 20ft containers for storage • Large Skip • 2 Van Parking Spaces • Haulage Lorry delivery Access/Parking • Away from residents / areas of business/local community leisure
8.	Report from the local Community Police.	<p>TO RECEIVE a report from the local Community Police.</p> <p>ALSO TO RECEIVE the Eden Focus Police Newsletter for Eden Rural and Penrith & Alston Police Newsletter for April and May 2023.</p> <p><u>Please Note: This information has been circulated by Email to Councillors.</u></p>
9.	AGM Minutes of the Council Meeting on the 10th May 2023.	<p>TO RECOMMEND that the Annual General Meeting (AGM) Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on the 10th May 2023.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Note: Please see Appendix 9a.</u></p>

10.	<p>Progress Reports on Recent Actions - progress reports regarding matters from the AGM Minutes of the Council Meeting on the 10th May 2023 (the list below are the main issues but in addition, other issues may also be discussed from the last Minutes that are not listed here).</p>
a. Donations at Eden Bridge Car Park (Last minute 23/92).	<p>TO RECEIVE an update about the donations for Eden Bridge Car Park.</p>
b. State of footpaths in the Village (Last minute 23/92).	<p>TO RECEIVE an update about the state of the footpaths in the village, as well as the issue of dropped kerbs for wheelchair users.</p>
c. Parish Fishing (Last minute 23/92).	<p>TO RECEIVE an update about the Fishing Rights and Bailifing in the parish.</p> <p><u>Report of the Clerk to Council</u> Councillor Peter Foley and Tim Wright have been working on this issue. They believe it would still be extremely helpful if members could consider the Agenda item relating to the Council’s fishing rights and particularly the discussions that Tim and I have had with the Prince Albert Angling Society. Councillor Peter Foley also provided notes of a “Teams” meeting we held on 14th April 2023 which were emailed out to Council Members. The included notes are largely self-explanatory but Councillor Foley’s comments are as follows:</p> <p>The annual upfront payment of £1750.00 offered by the Angling Society compares quite favourably with the income we have achieved by other means over recent years. The Treasurer has previously circulated figures outlining our annual income since 2006/07. This was highest when permits were being sold by the post office. Income reached £1667 in 2009/10 but fell steadily after that to £1172 in 2017/18. Income was then severely hampered by Covid lockdowns and failed to recover last year.</p> <p>(The Treasurers report on Fishing Permits is also attached for reference).</p> <p>The proposed arrangements mean that residents living within the Parish of Lazonby would still be able to fish without charge by applying for an annual permit from the Angling Society but, would be asked to provide proof of residence by way of submitting a copy of a utility bill or driving license with their name and address on, when first applying.</p> <p>In our previous discussions the Parish Council has been keen to ensure that other local anglers and/or tourists are able to fish by purchasing a day ticket or annual permit. The Angling Society are not averse to this, but from their side need to make sure that on no day the river becomes so busy with anglers that there is insufficient space for their members to fish. This is understandable because although they have members who live fairly close by, some of their members may travel considerable distances to get here.</p> <p>To resolve this, they have proposed using a combination of a limited number of annual permits and/or day tickets to allow no more than 10 anglers (other than members of their Society or residents of Lazonby) a day to fish. This would be a mix of either:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Day passes issued by the KO shop or the Swimming Pool, or b) Annual permits issued by the Angling Society which allow fishing

on Lazonby waters only.

It would be up to the Parish Council to decide how this mix could best suit our needs, but for example, 10 anglers a day could perhaps be achieved by allowing:

- A maximum limit of three day tickets, to be sold daily by both the KO Shop and the Swimming Pool respectively. It was suggested the charge for these be consolidated into one rather than having the current daytime and evening tickets, and by doing away with the current concessionary rate. This would be pitched around £10.00 per day and as a goodwill gesture for recording sales, the Angling Society would allow any money generated by their sales to be kept by the KO shop and the swimming pool.
- Four annual permits would then be available to be purchased from the Angling Society. The cost of this would be pitched around £60.00 per year.

Although the above example may well be sufficient to cater for all of our existing anglers who presently buy day tickets/permits, the actual balance needed from each of the different sources is something that may best be established by review throughout the first year of operation.

The Angling Society are of the view it would be better to be reviewed after a full fishing season (March – September), but if the agreement was to start in July this year, then there would also be an opportunity to review and make changes before the next season starts in March 2024.

Important also, is that the Angling Society would provide a Bailiff service which should help to discourage anyone fishing without proper authorisation.

The Angling Society have also pointed out that anyone who wishes to fish the river would be open to apply to join their Society which allows fishing on many other waters in the UK and is competitively priced.

If the Parish Council wishes to go ahead, then it will be necessary for written terms of agreement (a Licence) to be prepared and signed by both parties. A copy of the Angling Society's standard terms of agreement is attached which could easily be amended to include the specific matters relevant to this site.

In conclusion, and for all of the reasons outlined above, it is recommended that the Parish Council agree to work with the Prince Albert Angling Society and accept their proposals. Also, it would be helpful if myself and Councillor Tim Wright could be given delegated authority to carry out further work on the terms of agreement and for it then to be circulated by email for comments/approval by the other members of the Parish Council.

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	d. Mud on Road from Quarry Vehicles and Blocked Gulley (Last minute 23/92).	TO RECEIVE an update about mud on road near the quarry onto the A6 to Plumpton, from quarry vehicles and the blocked gulley.
	e. Parish Boon Day (Last minute 23/92).	TO RECEIVE an update on the boon day in the village which was held on Sunday 21st May 2023 at 11 am meeting at Will Pool, in order to pick up litter and have a general tidy up.
11.	Report from the Westmorland & Furness Councillor.	TO RECEIVE a report from Westmoreland & Furness Councillor Hilary Carrick about Westmorland & Furness matters affecting the Parish.
12.	Representatives on Outside Bodies 2023 - 2024.	TO CONSIDER the appointment of representatives to serve on the following outside bodies for 2023 – 2024. The following were the 2022 – 2023 Parish Council representatives. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Eden Association of Local Councils – ex Councillor Gordon Nicolson; 2. Lazonby Village Hall Management Committee – Councillor Tim Wright.
13.	Lazonby Parish Projects:	
	a. Proposed Development of Lazonby Egg Packing Station.	TO RECEIVE an update about the proposed development of the Lazonby Egg Packing Station.
14.	Financial Report by the Treasurer.	TO RECEIVE the May 2023 Treasurer's Report for approval. <u>Note: Please see Appendix 14a.</u>
15.	Accounts, External Audit & Internal Audit.	TO CONSIDER the Accounts, External Audit and Internal Audit. <u>Report of the Treasurer to Council.</u> John Kidd acting as Internal Auditor has confirmed that he is satisfied that the Accounts for 2022/23 are a true and accurate record of the financial activities of Lazonby Parish Council. The Parish Council Chair Chris West will at the conclusion of this meeting sign off the Accounts and Annual Governance and Accountability Return in preparation for submission to Moore (External Auditors) by the 30 th June 2023. Once the Annual Governance and Accountability Return and associated documents have been submitted all these details will be posted to the Parish Council Website and made available to the public on request for the period 1 st July – 11 th August 2023.
16.	Authority for Payments.	TO CONSIDER any requests for payment received by the Treasurer, Clerk or Council Members.

17.	Planning Applications – New (or Appeal).	<p>TO CONSIDER any new applications which have been issued for consultation by Eden District Council.</p> <p><u>Please Note:</u> At the time of this Agenda being issued there were no Planning Applications received. However, if any New Planning Applications reach the Clerk to the Parish Council between the Agenda being issued and the Meeting itself, then the Clerk and the Chair will consider if it is appropriate to introduce them to the meeting; or if it may be necessary to convene a meeting of the Planning Committee. These will be initially introduced under the ‘Matters of Urgency’ item on this agenda to then be further discussed in this item of the agenda. This information has already been circulated by Email to Councillors.</p>
18.	Planning Applications – Decisions.	<p>TO RECEIVE and be NOTED decisions on Planning Applications which have been issued by Eden District Council.</p> <p><u>Please Note:</u> At the time of this Agenda being issued there were no Planning Application Decisions received for the parish. However, if any Planning Application Decisions reach the Clerk to the Parish Council between the Agenda being issued and the Meeting itself, they will be presented at the Meeting. This information has already been circulated by Email to Councillors.</p> <p>ALSO TO RECEIVE and be NOTED the Eden Planning Committee 17.5.23 planning application decision list, although there were no planning application decisions for the parish of Lazonby.</p>
19.	LPC Cumbria Highways Link Person Report.	<p>TO RECEIVE any reports on other issues that have arisen since the last Council meeting concerning Cumbria Highways.</p>
20.	Invitations to Participate.	<p>TO CONSIDER if Council Members would like to comment, take part in, attend, or send a representative to any invitations to participate.</p> <p>1. Community Renewable Energy Event - Thursday 29th June 2023 at 7pm via Teams organised by CALC and CAFS.</p> <p>Agenda:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Introduction to Community Renewable Energy: Quentin Merritt, Wingspan Consulting 2) What can Local Councils do in relation to Community Renewable Energy: Kate McGibbon, CALC 3) Community Renewable Energy initiatives currently taking place in Cumbria: Sally Lansbury, Sustainable Keswick/Keswick Town Council Janet Battye, Greening Levens/Levens Parish Council/Westmorland & Furness Council 4) Support available: Molly Hogg, CAFS, Kate McGibbon CALC 5) Questions to Panel. <p><u>Please Note: This information has been circulated by Email Councillors.</u></p>

21.	INFORMATION given for reference only.	<p>TO RECEIVE and be NOTED any information that has been given out for reference only:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. List of Key Contacts for Cumberland Council 2. Mental Health Awareness Week campaign - ‘Make the first move for your mental health’. 3. ACT News Update - May 2023. 4. CCRG: Presentations from Spring and Summer Hazards Event Information. 5. Community Ownership Fund Available to Local Councils - For the first time the government has extended its £150m Community Ownership Fund to local councils and is now inviting expressions of interest. Aimed at assisting the purchase or renovation of local assets, thereby safeguarding their future, the Fund should be of great interest and value to local communities wishing to apply. Expressions of interest must be submitted at least three weeks before the 12 July 2023 deadline: <u>Community Ownership Fund Round 3: how to express your interest in applying - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</u> 6. CALC News - April & March 2023. 7. CALC Training Information. 8. Flood Drop in Event to be held in Ambleside on 7th June Information. 9. Cumbria Local Authority Climate Update May 2023. 10. Funding opportunities: Community Energy Projects information. <p><u>Please Note: This information has been circulated by Email to Councillors.</u></p>
22.	Date of the Next Meeting.	RECOMMENDATION that the date of the next scheduled meeting be Wednesday 5 th July 2023, at 7.30 pm, in the Village Hall.

INFORMATION EXCHANGE:

Please note that following the Council meeting there will be a 15 minute period where members can exchange information of a general nature. As items raised are NOT on the Agenda they will not be minuted.

LAZONBY PARISH COUNCIL
June 2023 Meeting of the Parish Council
SUPPLEMENTARY APPENDICES

ITEM NO: (Appendix)	ITEM
9a.	AGM Minutes of the Council Meeting on the 10 th May 2023.
14a.	Financial Report by the Treasurer.