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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 31st January 2025.

Dear Sir/Madam,

There will be a Meeting of Lazonby Parish Council on **Wednesday 5th February 2025, in the Jubilee Room, Lazonby Village Hall, at 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 advice on any item involving a possible declaration of interest which could affect his/her ability to speak and/or vote,</i>

		he/she is advised to contact the clerk at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting. <u>A note from the Clerk to the Council.</u> 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.
5.	Matters of Urgency.	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. Please Note: 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.
6.	Public Participation.	TO RECEIVE any contributions from the parishioners relating to: • Any item on the agenda; • And any other parish-related matter which they may wish to raise.
7.	Broadband in the Parish.	TO RECEIVE an update about broadband issues in the parish.
8.	Report from the Local Community Police.	TO RECEIVE the Eden Focus Police Newsletter for Eden Rural and the Penrith & Alston Police Newsletter for November 2024 & December 2024 and December 2024 & January 2025. ALSO TO RECEIVE and CONSIDER the following letter from Superintendent Andy Wilkinson Neighbourhood Policing Strategic Lead: <i>“Cumbria Constabulary Neighbourhood Policing Pledge - On 16th January 2025, Cumbria Constabulary launched its Neighbourhood Policing Pledge that committed the Constabulary to the provision of ten individual pledge priority areas to further support communities and the Constabulary in the delivery of Neighbourhood Policing. The second Pledge relates to the provision of visible and accessible Neighbourhood Policing Teams that are committed to reducing crime and anti-social behaviour, and to improve public confidence. One aspect of this will be the requirement for local Neighbourhood Policing Teams to engage better with local council representatives. Specifically, the Pledge commits the Constabulary to, ‘Twice yearly virtual meeting within each NPT locality with parish and town councils’. Cumbria Constabulary currently operates six Neighbourhood Policing Teams, three in Cumberland and three in Westmorland. Every Neighbourhood Policing Team is made up of smaller geographical ‘localities’, with each allocated at least one dedicated Community Officer. In total there are currently 33 localities within the force. Unfortunately, in a such a large county with over 250 parish councils it is not possible to dedicate local police officers to attend monthly parish councils direct, except in the most exceptional of circumstances, as to do so would detract from operational requirements for those officers. Cumbria Constabulary have worked with Cumbria Association of Local Councils (CALC) to identify those Parish Councils that best fit within the 33 Neighbourhood Policing Team localities, and they have pooled them together for us with the intention that a couple of representatives from each council can attend twice yearly virtual meetings with their locality-based officer(s). In the case of a few parishes that do not clearly sit within any one locality it may be preferable for parish representatives to attend more than one locality meeting. For CALC to assist Cumbria Constabulary further in this Pledge commitment, we would</i>

		<i>be grateful if you could, at your earliest opportunity, inform CALC of the two council representatives that you wish to attend your local virtual meeting. Once we have these details, we will then be able to schedule meetings in line with our Pledge commitment. Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated and we look forward to working closer with you in the future."</i> <u>Please Note: This information has been circulated by Email to Councillors.</u>
9.	Minutes of the Meeting on the 4 th December 2024.	TO RECOMMEND that the Minutes of the Parish Council's Meeting on the 4th December 2024 be approved and signed as a true record of those proceedings. <u>Note: Please see Appendix 9a.</u>
10.	Progress Reports on Recent Actions - progress reports regarding matters from the Minutes of the Parish Council's Meeting on the 4th December 2024 (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).	
	a. Parish Fishing (Last minute 24/260).	TO RECEIVE an update about the Fishing Rights and Bailiffing in the parish.
	b. Footway Lights Recharge (Last minute 24/260).	TO RECEIVE an update on the Footway light recharge.
	c. Missing Defibrillator (Last minute 24/260).	TO RECEIVE an update about the missing defibrillators on the Fire Station.
	d. Ownership of part of Station Road (Last minute 24/270).	TO RECEIVE an update about the ownership of part of Station Road.
	e. Rubbish (possibly hazardous) near the Swimming Pool. (Last minute 24/256).	TO RECEIVE an update about the rubbish (possibly hazardous) near the swimming pool.
	f. Big Lazonby Village Hall Get together (Last minute 24/255).	TO RECEIVE an update on the Big Lazonby Village Hall Get Together. <u>Report of the Clerk to Council.</u> This event will go ahead on Saturday the 15th of February it will run alongside the community cafe .The idea is to showcase and promote all the activities that take place at the Village Hall, encourage participation and engagement and keep the village hall vibrant and useful to our local community. They are asking all groups to participate and have a representative(s) there who can showcase their group and chat with those who come along. They hope this will encourage new members/customers/interest/attendees/volunteers to the different groups. The event will run from 10 am to 12.30 pm. the hall will be open from 8.30 for groups to set up. Tables and chairs will be provided and some display boards available if needed. Also feel free to run a small fundraiser type activity for your group from your table. Tea and coffee will be available for the representatives of the groups. The Village Hall Committee look forward to bringing everyone associated with the village hall together -it has a vital role to play in our village and community and it will be great to work together to promote it and all the groups who use it. There will be an opportunity after the cafe closes for the representatives and the Village Hall committee to come together to discuss any idea they have for improving the hall/what else you'd like to see at the hall. The Clerk has expressed the Parish Council's interest in taking part. The Village Hall would like this confirmed, and to let them know who will be the representative on that day and if they have any specific requirements that would help show case the Parish Council's work.
11.	Report from the Westmorland & Furness Councillor.	TO RECEIVE a report from Westmorland & Furness Councillor Hilary Carrick about Westmorland & Furness on matters affecting the parish.

12.	Parish Projects:	
	a. Egg Packing Station Housing Project.	TO RECEIVE a public notice of the closure of the Egg Packing Station Housing Project. TO RECOMMEND that the CONFIDENTIAL Minutes of the Parish Council's Meeting on the 4th December 2024 be approved and signed as a true record of those proceedings. <u>Note: Please see Appendix 12a – (Council Members/Officers only).</u>
	B. Donation Box at Eden Bridge Car Park.	TO RECEIVE an update about the donation box at Eden Bridge car park.
	c. Resurfacing of Eden Bridge Car Park.	TO RECEIVE an update on the resurfacing of Eden Bridge Car Park.
13.	Parish Maintenance:	
	a. Flooding Issues in the Parish.	TO RECEIVE an update about the flooding issues in the parish.
	b. Footpaths in the Village.	TO RECEIVE an update about the state of the footpaths in the village. 1. The broken grate on the pavement near the pub
	c. Parish Tree Survey.	TO RECEIVE an update on the parish tree survey for 2024.
	d. Damaged Fence at Eden Bridge Car Park.	TO RECEIVE an update on the damaged fence at Eden Bridge car park.
	e. Damaged Fence at Bateman Lane.	TO RECEIVE an update on the damaged fence at Bateman Lane.
	f. Repairs at Will Pool.	TO RECEIVE an update about the repairs at Will Pool. ALSO TO CONSIDER putting a sign up to stop people going on the pond when it is iced over.
	g. Recycling Centre.	TO RECEIVED any updates about the recycling centre.
	h. Other Maintenance Issues in the Parish.	TO CONSIDER any other maintenance issues that need to be looked at in the parish that are the sole responsibility of the Parish Council (not other external bodies). 1. Dog Fouling issues.
14.	Financial Report by the Treasurer.	TO RECEIVE the December 2024 & January 2025 Treasurer's Report for approval. <u>Note: Please see Appendix 14a.</u>
15.	Banking Signatories.	TO CONSIDER the Treasurer and Secretary request for the Council to approve an increase in the number of signatories in order to provide more cover for authorising the Council's financial commitments. At least two more signatures would be required since the loss of a few Councillors recently.
16.	Staff Pay scales.	TO CONSIDER increasing the level of the pay scales for the Parish Council Clerk and Financial Officer/Treasurer. <u>Note: Report to be tabled at the meeting.</u>

17.	LPC Grant Application Update.	TO RECEIVE an update on the Village Hall Grant Application.
18.	Authority for Payments.	TO CONSIDER any requests for payment received by the Treasurer, Clerk or Council Members.
19.	Planning Applications – New (or Appeal).	TO CONSIDER any new applications which have been issued for consultation by Westmorland and Furness Council. Please Note: 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.
20.	Planning Applications – Decisions.	TO RECEIVE and be NOTED decisions on Planning Applications which have been issued by Westmorland and Furness Council. Planning Application Ref: 2024/1467/FPA - Proposed extension to form workshop and maintenance area, are Eden Valley Mineral Water Company, Armathwaite, Carlisle - Full Application APPROVED With Conditions. Please Note: At the time of this Agenda being issued there were no further 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.
21.	Report from the Highways Link Person.	TO RECEIVE any reports on other issues that have arisen since the last Council meeting concerning Cumbria Highways. ALSO TO RECEIVE a past temporary road closure notice for information. A temporary road closure was put in place to allow Fibrus Networks Ltd. to carry out utility works which was expected to commence 18th January 2025 and anticipated to take 3 days to complete. Location: B6413 Kirkoswald from a point approx. 450m north east of its junction with B6412, extending in an over all north easterly direction for a distance of approx. 1.5km. Alternative Route: via the unrestricted sections of B6413, C3007, A6, Peter Gate (Cumwhinton), B6263 (Warwick-on-Eden), A69, A6071, The Sand and Tree Road (Brampton) and a way for pedestrians and dismounted cyclists will be maintained at all times.
22.	Updating Policies.	TO RECEIVE an update regarding the Parish Council policies.
23.	Invitations to Participate.	TO CONSIDER if Council Members would like to comment, take part in, attend, or send a representative to any invitations to participate. Place Action Group (PAG) Meeting online for Hesketh and Lazonby - Thursday 6th February 2025 – Councillor Craig Wilkinson will be attending. WAF Electric Vehicle Infrastructure - Public Questionnaire - Help shape the future of charging infrastructure in Westmorland and Furness by taking part in our short questionnaire. Input will help them understand

		local needs and ensure charging solutions are accessible, reliable, and tailored to our community. It only takes a few minutes, but your feedback will make a lasting impact. https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/wfEVI - The survey will close on Sunday 2nd March 2025 <u>Please Note: This information has been circulated by Email to Councillors.</u>
24.	INFORMATION & Correspondence given for reference only.	TO RECEIVE and be NOTED any information and correspondence that has been given out for reference only: 1. Westmorland and Furness Council News releases – on various topics. 2. CALC Training Information. 3. NALC Legal Bulletins. 4. Influencing Rural Issues Survey 2024 - responses had to be submitted by the 13th January 2025. 5. Railway 200 Event Information. 6. Latest News from Eden Rivers Trust - winter 2024. 7. Cumbria Local Nature Partnership News – Dec 2024. 8. Improved Bus services for Cumbria Information - 20 council funded bus services to hit the road next year From Spring 2025, communities will benefit from bus service improvements that will provide better access to employment, education and essential services 9. CALC News for September & October 2024. 10. Copyright Issues for Parish Council Websites Information. 11. VE Day Guidance. 12. Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner Property Fund information. 13. NALC Survey - MHCLG recently issued a local government standards consultation – respond by 2nd Feb 2025. 14. Westmorland and Furness and Cumberland Councils have agreed to join the Government’s Devolution Priority Programme - the councils were invited to join the Priority Programme after earlier expressing interest in exploring what greater devolution of powers could mean in Cumbria. The new Government has set out its intention to widen devolution across England, giving regions more powers and decision-making over matters such as economic development, transport, employment support, planning, and housing. 15. Library Services Survey – the deadline was 31st Jan 2025. 16. BT Digital Voice switchover webinar Information. 17. 2025 Upcoming Events for Charities & Community Groups in Westmorland & Furness Information. 18. CUMBRIA CVS - Volunteer Fair - Weds 12th Feb 16:00-17:30 - Westmorland Campus Kendal College. 19. Westmorland & Furness Council Housing Strategy to address local needs Council approves new Housing Strategy aimed at ensuring everyone in the area has access to high-quality, affordable, and sustainable housing. 20. Waste Community Conversations Update. 21. Refugees, Evacuees and Asylum Seekers - Grant Funding Information. 22. Moving over to a gov.uk domaine – new guidance on GOV.UK. 23. Carer Support Carlisle & Eden Spring 2025 Newsletter. 24. Westmorland & Furness commit to keeping its Council Tax Reduction Scheme for those in need Information. 25. Westmorland & Furness Council’s Five-year Highways Strategy - The council looks after a highway network of over 2,600 miles, as well as 1,400 miles of footpaths and cycleways, more than 2,000 bridges and structures like culverts and retaining walls, 72,000 drainage gullies and 20,000 streetlights, all with a combined estimated value of £4 billion and all

		important in connecting people and places right across Westmorland and Furness. The Highway Asset Management Strategy agreed last week by the council's Cabinet (21 January), details how the council will work to manage the network, considering the condition of the highways, public needs and local priorities and making best use of available resources. The strategy will guide how the council invests in the highway network and will shape how it delivers its highway services. <u>Please Note: This information has been circulated by Email to Councillors.</u>
25.	Date of the Next Meeting.	RECOMMENDATION that the next scheduled meeting will be Lazonby Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday 5 th March 2025, at 7.30 pm, in the Jubilee Room, 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.

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February 2025 Meeting of the Parish Council

SUPPLEMENTARY APPENDICES

ITEM NO: (Appendix)	ITEM
9a.	Minutes of the Council Meeting on the 4 th December 2024.
12a	Parish Project: a) Egg Packing Station Housing Project – CONFIDENTIAL minutes for Council Members/Officers only.
14a.	Financial Report by the Treasurer.