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LAZONBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes

For the Meeting of Lazonby Parish Council on Wednesday 3rd November 2021, in the Main Hall, Lazonby Village Hall, at 7.30 pm.

Present: Chair Councillor Chris West

Councillors Gordon Nicolson, John Judson, Tim Wright, Angie Miller, Peter Foley, Phillip Whitehead, Steve Craig, and Andrew Miller.

Also in attendance: the Clerk to the Council Rebecca Wyatt and the Treasurer to the Council Chris Hoy.

ITEM / MINUTE No.	ITEM	BUSINESS
21/212	Apologies for absence.	RESOLVED that the apologies received from County Councillor Hilary Carrick (work) be accepted and noted.
21/213	The filling of Council Member Vacancy.	<p>The Council considered nominations to fill the Council Member vacancy left following a recent Councillor resignation from the Council.</p> <p>RESOLVED that it be noted that the Parish Council will continue to look to co-opt a new Council Member to fill the remaining position.</p>
21/214	Requests for Dispensations.	RESOLVED that it be noted that no requests were 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.
21/215	Declaration of Interest.	<p>The Chair asked if there were any declarations by Council Members of any Personal or Prejudicial Interests relating to any items on the agenda for this meeting.</p> <p>RESOLVED that it be noted that Councillor Gordon Nicolson declared a personal interest in matters concerning Eden District Council.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that it be noted that Councillor Steve Craig declared a personal interest in matters concerning and the Meadows, Scaur Lane.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that Councillor Phillip Whitehead declared a personal interest in matters concerning the Egg Packing Housing Development project.</p>
21/216	Matters of Urgency.	RESOLVED that it be noted that there were no matters of urgency to report.
21/217	Public Participation.	<p>The Chair asked the parishioners present if they wished to make any contributions relating to any items on the agenda, or any other parish related matter which they may wish to raise. The Parish Council also discussed issues that parishioners had been in contact about.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A parishioner has raised concerns about the sewage system in the area having seen that the wall has been removed on Scaur Lane to start building between the Meadows and Braemar/Croft End. The parishioner pointed out that The Meadows housing development was approved on the condition that they upgraded the sewage

		<p>system for the village which has not been done. The parishioner pointed out that considering recent reports on sewage being dumped into rivers due to inadequate treatment plants, that they feel a major upgrade for the area should be put in place before any more building work should commence.</p> <p>2. A parishioner has raised the following concerns:</p> <p>a) <i>"State of Station Road off of B6143 leading up towards Hather Financial Services - The section of this road is very poor and whilst the County Council have patched this up from time to time it is getting worse by the day. Is there any chance that this will be resurfaced properly given the amount of use this road gets from Bells own vehicles and their staff and the large HGV vehicles which deliver and collect from Bells and the residents of Seat Hill and High Seat Hill.</i></p> <p>b) <i>The road from the top of the village leading to Thiefside - This road is full of potholes along its whole length from Lazonby to Thiefside and whilst I saw some workers from the County Council painting markings around potholes near the A6 end of this road I am not sure whether they went along the whole length leading into Lazonby marking this. There have been cones marking some of the potholes for many months but and whilst some have been filled in not all of them even when a cone has been marking a hole. I know there is a depth requirement before holes will be dealt with but some of the large holes have been ignored.</i></p> <p>c) <i>Parking of motorhomes at the recycling centre - yesterday morning I went to the recycling centre and saw an old Transit motor home white in colour parked up which was obviously occupied and had been parked overnight by the presence of a curtain behind the driver/passenger's seats being closed. Unfortunately, I did not take the registration. I saw a Modern Fiat Motorhome parked there about two weeks ago and whilst I cannot say it had been parked overnight, I was concerned as to its presence there. I wonder whether we need a height barrier to stop this whilst accepting one would receive complaints from the Canoeing fraternity who bring large vans with the Canoe's on their roofs it would stop the parking of these vehicles overnight. The recycling vehicles could be given a key or code to unlock the barrier when they needed access. I accept that there will be a cost involved but given the number of motorhomes or converted vans which seem to park in the area leading from Lazonby to Carlisle it would protect the land owned by the Council.</i></p> <p>d) <i>State of the Surface of the Recycling Centre car park - This has deteriorated considerably no doubt because of the amount of Canoeing people who constantly park and very often block access to the Recycling centre internally. I have experienced this on a number of occasions recently and have people looking at one as though one does not have a right to gain access to the recycling bins. This causes an issue in turning around.</i></p> <p>3. A loose drain cover was reported in Fiddlers Lane.</p> <p>1. RESOLVED that the Parish Council noted the parishioner's concerns regarding the sewage system in the Scaur Lane area</p>
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21/218	Report from the local Community Police.	<p>The Council received a report from the local Community Police for October 2021.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A work van was stolen from Lazonby in the early hours of 3rd October 2021, believed to be linked to the two stolen quad bikes from Croglin on the same night. It is believed that the van has been taken over to Durham, the investigation is still ongoing. 2. There have also been several reports of door to door sellers around the area on the evening of the 20th October 2021 and 26th October 2021. A minibus was stopped and the occupants' details were gathered. They claim to be from a rehabilitation programme however this is not the case. <p>RESOLVED that the report from the local Community Police for October 2021 be noted with thanks to Erica Norman PCSO 5397.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that it be noted that the Council the Eden Focus Police Newsletters for Penrith & Alston for September to October 2021.</p>
21/219	Parish Broadband Issues.	<p>The Council received an update on the broadband issues in the parish from Councillor Steve Craig. There is renewed hope that Lazonby can still receive the B4RN broadband services, however, they still only have 57 sign-ups out of the 200 needed. Councillor Steve Craig will continue to pursue sign-ups and stay in touch with B4RN. Kirkoswald is getting the services installed as they have more than 200 sign-ups.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the report about parish broadband issues be noted, with thanks to Councillor Steve Craig who will continue to pursue sign-ups for B4RN and their superfast broadband services.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the B4RN Broadband service registrations be reported about in the Parish Council Newsletter.</p>

21/220	Minutes of the Council Meeting on the 6th October 2021.	It was recommended that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on the 6 th October 2021 be approved and signed as a true record of those proceedings.
		RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on the 6 th October 2021 be approved and signed as a true record of those proceedings.
21/221	Progress Reports on Recent Actions.	The Council received progress reports regarding matters from the Minutes of the Council Meeting on the 6 th October 2021.
	a. Transfer of Assets and Services to the Parish (Last minute no. 21/197).	<p>The Council received an update about the transfer of assets and services to the Parish. Councillor Gordon Nicolson reported that the position of Parish Council's around the district regarding the transfer of assets is that some have adopted the footway Lights, some haven't and others were waiting to see. Some Parish Council's have therefore occurred expenses through the adoption. As for public toilets, a small number were adopted and some of these were updated and refurbished. Penrith Town Council would like to adopt their public toilets in the town but want Eden District Council to rebuild them first to provide better facilities. The play areas in the District are either owned by Eden District Council, County Council or alternative ownership, so more of a challenge to resolve.</p> <p>The Eden District Council Scrutiny Task and Finish Group recognise the interests of Councils and the occurred expenses through their adoption of assets such as footway lights. There are all different circumstances regarding each adoption so that needs to be taken into consideration. Their next meeting of the Scrutiny Task and Finish Group is 16th November 2021 for proposals to be agreed, which include agreements needing to be made which will be linked into different issues and cases. However, the new local Government reorganisation is making it more difficult. This all has to be sorted out by February 2022 in time for Eden District Council's final Budget meeting on 25th February 2022.</p> <p>The Treasurer posed the following questions - does the Parish Council continue to pursue the unapproved footway lights as the transfer of assets is in limbo? There is £3000 in the budget to cover costs and it looks like the Parish Council have no grant from NW Electricity, therefore does the Parish Council remove them from the Budget and react in later years by looking at the Precept again and spend this on something else? The grant for these has dried up. The Parish Council will have to fund any upgrade. The Parish Council have decided if they still want them and on what terms. The current £3000 budget for the unapproved lights will be discussed further at the Finance & Budget Committee Meeting on 17th November 2021. However, Lazonby Parish Council cannot make a decision until the outcome has been decided by the Scrutiny Task and Finish Group, who will have to consult with all Parish Councils.</p>
		RESOLVED that Councillor Gordon Nicolson be thanked for his report about the transfer of assets and services to the parish, the contents of which were noted.
	b. Footway light at Thorn Tree (Last minute no. 21/197).	The Council received an update on the Light at Thorn Tree which has been reported to not be working and is believed to have never worked. The footway light near Thorn Tree has been reported to Eden District Council's (EDC) contractor as not working on several occasions and they have asked their contractor to inspect and repair the light each time, which they have always done. When this light was reported last time, the contractor was asked again to attend and Eden District Council have now confirmed that they had been to repair the light and the light is now

	<p>working. However, worryingly, the reason that the light was not working was that somebody had removed the fuses and that the isolate had been knocked off. This is a concern as nobody should be accessing the lighting columns except EDC contractors and ENWL. Furthermore, the contractor has since informed EDC that when they went to repair the light the last time an anonymous parishioner asked them not to fix it even though the contractor did the repairs out of necessity.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the update on the Light at Thorn Tree be noted and that the Parish Council will monitor the situation and if the light is tampered with again will pursue it with the police.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the Community Police be informed of the situation so they are aware of the situation for the time being.</p>
c. Donations at Eden Bridge Car Park (Last minute no. 21/197).	RESOLVED that it be noted that Councillor Steve Craig is still working on the issue of donations at Eden Bridge Car park.
d. Repair of the door on the Grass Cutting equipment storage shed (Last minute no. 21/197).	<p>RESOLVED that it be noted that the Council have still not heard from the Head Teacher of Lazonby Primary school regarding the repair of the door on the grass cutting equipment storage shed.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that Councillor Chris West will speak to the Head Teacher of Lazonby Primary school to see what is happening regarding the repair of the door on the grass cutting equipment storage shed.</p>
e. Dropped flagstone on the pavement near the Midland Hotel (Last minute no. 21/197).	RESOLVED that it be noted that repairing the dropped flagstone on the pavement and cracked flags near the Midland Hotel is still being undertaken.
h. State of footpaths in the Village (Last minute no. 21/197).	RESOLVED that it be noted that the report regarding the state of the footpaths in the village, the holes appearing in them and the issue of dropped kerbs for wheelchair users is still a work in progress.
i. Townhead to Scale Hill Public Footpath (Last minute no. 21/197).	RESOLVED that it be noted that the overgrown Townhead to Scale Hill public footpath seems to be fine now but the signpost still needs to be re-erected.
j. Parking Issues (Last minute no. 21/192).	<p>RESOLVED that it be noted that County Councillor Hilary Carrick and Councillor John Judson have visited the site regarding the parking issues and the restriction of entry to homes in Scaur Lane.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that it be noted that Councillor Hilary Carrick will now look into what can be done to resolve the parking issues.</p>
k. Lights on Scaur Lane (Last minute no. 21/192).	<p>The Council received an update about the lower lights on Scaur Lane believed to be Cumbria Highway lights as they were reported to not be working at the October 2021 Parish meeting.</p> <p>RESOLVED that it be noted that the lower lights on Scaur Lane belong to Eden District Council, not Cumbria Highways and the one that is not working has been reported to Eden District Council for it to be repaired.</p>

	I. The Old School Lease (Last minute no. 21/205).	The Council received an update about the Lease to Croglin Ltd for use of the Old School matures after 5 years on the 31st January 2022. The Clerk has asked the tenant of the Old School if they were still interested in leasing the building again once the lease expires on 31 st January 2022. The tenant has said that providing there are no significant changes they are happy to sign for the next period. The use in the last 12 months has been limited but they are expecting to make full use of the Old School and are looking to make it their focus for clients to visit in the near future. The Lazonby site is key to Croglin and how they interact with customers.
		RESOLVED that the report about the Lease to Croglin Ltd for the use of the Old School be noted. ALSO RESOLVED that the Finance & Budget Committee will be reviewing the Old School lease at their meeting on 17 th November 2021 and present their conclusions to the Parish Council at their December 2021 Parish Council meeting.
	m. The Queens's Platinum Jubilee (Last minute no. 21/208).	The Council received an update about the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations in the Parish. The Clerk advertised the event in the Parish Council Newsletter and asked if any local groups were doing anything for it, and also indicated there may be grants available to local community groups who would like to hold an event. No one has replied as yet. Councillor Tim Wright has said that the Eden Valley Players are looking to put a performance on.
		RESOLVED that the update about the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations in the Parish be noted.
21/222	Report from District Councillor Gordon Nicolson.	The Council received a written report from District Councillor Gordon Nicolson about Eden District Council matters affecting the Parish. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Chief Executive of Cumbria County Council is leaving at the end of November 2021 so there will be a void for a while but operational matters will be dealt with by a senior Cumbria County Council Officer. They will be looking to recruit on a fixed-term contract up until March 2023. 2. Local Government Reorganisation - The Cumbria County Council judicial review regarding the Local Government Reorganisation is still in process, the review however will not change the decision that has been made. Also, the documents setting out arrangements for new authorities is expected imminently which sets out Police and Fire Service proposals, and proposals on aggregated services such as refuse collection. Cumbria County Council services are going to be split between authorities so that one area covers Children's Services and the other covers Adult Services. 3. Eden District Council will be allowing parking for free from 27th November 2021 until the 1st January 2022 to help the Christmas Shopping period. 4. Eden District Councils Budget – 3% increase in Council's spending power. The settlement for this is due in December 2021. 5. Eden District has to submit another planning application for Voreda House because the stone cladding originally proposed is too heavy for the building. The cost of the refurbishment will be approximately £4 million even though it may not get used in the future when the Local Government reorganisation is complete.
		RESOLVED that District Councillor Gordon Nicolson be thanked for his written report, the contents of which were noted.

		ALSO RESOLVED that it be noted that District Councillor Gordon Nicolson reserved the right to request to speak on other issues on the agenda.
21/223	Report from County Councillor Hilary Carrick.	RESOLVED that due to County Councillor Hilary Carrick having to attend another meeting there was no County Council report.
21/224	Lazonby Parish Projects:	
	a. Proposed Development of Lazonby Egg Packing Station.	<p>The Council received an update about the Egg Packing Station Housing Project. Councillor Gordon Nicolson reported that although the Parish Council have not heard as yet, there were good grounds to believe that the Parish Council will get the planning permission for the affordable housing development. All of the statutory authorities have said that issues such as contamination of land, sewage, drains, flooding etc are all OK now. Some will however be subjected to conditions. Once the planning permission has been granted then the discussions with the partner organisation can continue, and the price of the site finalised. There is no liability for the site as yet.</p> <p>It was also reported that on the 31st October 2021 a car, unfortunately, rolled down the hill from the Village Hall and landed in the grounds of the old Egg Packing factory smashing into the fencing, after the owner did not correctly apply the hand brake. Part of the fencing was damaged, and the car also damaged a railing and a flagstone that was put in by the Parish Council in the seating area there. The Parish Council discussed making an insurance claim against the car owners</p> <p>RESOLVED that Councillor Gordon Nicolson be thanked for the report about the Egg Packing Station Housing Project which was noted.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the Parish Council ask the Community Police how they could find out the details of the car owner as the incident had been reported to the Police.</p>
	b. Footway between Eden Bridge and Lazonby Swimming Pool.	<p>The Council received an update on the footway between Eden Bridge and Lazonby Swimming Pool project. Councillor Hilary Carrick has secured £80,000 towards the footway. This means that £20,000 still needs to be found to complete the project. Fundraising ideas to look into include footway plaques with family names or in memory of; Race, pie and pies night; Crowdfunding or Just Giving; Lazonby 10k; alternative wedding; sponsored walks; sponsored events; asking local business etc.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Parish Council agreed to a working party be set up to help raise the remaining £20,000 needed to complete the footway between Eden Bridge and Lazonby Swimming Pool.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that it be noted that Councillors Chris West, Angie Miller, Phillip Whitehead, Tim Wright and Andrew Miller volunteered to be part of the Eden Bridge and Lazonby Swimming Pool footway working group.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that a date for the working party for the footway between Eden Bridge and Lazonby Swimming Pool project to meet is to be arranged.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the Clerk put an article in the Parish Council Newsletter about raising £20,000 for the footway project, and asking for ideas and help.</p>

	c. Hedgerow Planting near Eden Bridge.	<p>The Council received an update on the planting of a hedgerow alongside the road between Eden Bridge and the swimming pool. Some more tidying up needs to be done there before the hedge can be planted.</p> <p>RESOLVED that it be noted that the planting of a hedgerow alongside the road between Eden Bridge and the swimming pool is still a project in progress.</p>
	d. Pollinators Hedgerow Planting at Will Pool.	<p>RESOLVED that it be noted that Councillor Phillip Whitehead is now looking to put in a funding application for ten pollinator shrubs and wildflower seed.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that Councillor Phillip Whitehead will also look at getting funding for other areas in the parish such as Batesman Lane.</p>
	e. Planters and Lazonby Signs.	<p>The Council received an update about the planters and Lazonby signs on the main roads into the village. Councillor Steve Craig reported that the Stonemasons would be happy to do the stone signs for Lazonby for free if the Parish Council can provide the stone, which should be sourced for free too. However, the sandstone planters themselves would cost approximately £1200 each for the stone, the construction and the foundation. There are still volunteers happy to look after the planters still.</p> <p>RESOLVED that due to the high cost of the planters, and the fact that the Parish Council already needed to find or raise money for the Eden Bridge to Lazonby Swimming Pool footpath that the new stone planters would be put on hold for the time being as the footpath needed to take priority.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that Councillor Steve Craig would however still look to source the stone for the new Lazonby signs.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that it be noted that the existing planters can still be replanted and looked after by the volunteers.</p>
21/225	Financial Report by the Treasurer.	<p>The Council received a report from the Treasurer for October 2021 (please see attached Treasurer's Report).</p> <p>The Council discussed the possibility of giving any donations received by the Fish & Chip van to the footway project. This will all be discussed further at the Finance & Budget Committee Meeting in the near future.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Treasurer be thanked for his report, the contents of which were approved, accepted and noted.</p>
21/226	Authority for Payments.	<p>RESOLVED that the Council considered requests for payment received by the Treasurer, Clerk or Council Members, and agreed to pay the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The sum of £17 to Councillor John Judson for the Remembrance Wreath.
21/227	Annual Lazonby Parish Council Grant Applications for 2022 – 2023.	<p>The Council received notification of the grant applications received for consideration, to be further discussed at a Finance and Budget Committee meeting to be held before the December 2021 meeting of the Parish Council.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Great North Air Ambulance for financial assistance of £250 towards the general running costs of the service. 2. The Fellrunner for financial assistance of £315.70 towards providing a scheduled bus service to the residents in the Parish of Lazonby. 3. Lazonby Playgroup for financial assistance of £700 towards new

		<p>play equipment, toys and storage.</p> <p>4. The Village Hall for financial assistance of £6500 to decorate the Main Hall.</p>
		<p>RESOLVED that the grant applications received for consideration be noted.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that it be noted that the date of the Finance and Budget Committee meeting is Wednesday 17th November 2021.</p>
21/228	Availability of Fishing Permits.	<p>The Council considered how to make it easier for Anglers to get hold of fishing permits at certain times of the day.</p>
		<p>RESOLVED that the Parish Council agreed that instructions on how to pay and the Parish Councils bank details be put on the Parish Council website and public signs near the river.</p>
21/229	Planning Applications – New (or Appeal).	<p>The Council considered the following Planning Application.</p> <p>Planning Application No. 21/0875 – Erection of timber-framed veranda to the rear of dwelling with a glass roof, at 34 Meadows Close, Lazonby, Penrith.</p> <p>The Council also received the following report for approval. The following planning applications were considered by the Planning Committee and Members of the Parish Council by Email due to it being a resubmission and having a 14 day deadline for a response. Written notifications were given to parishioners via the parish notice boards, between Monday 18th October 2021 and Friday 22nd October 2021. Comments were received from one member of the public, by the closing date. The Parish Council gave a NO OBJECTIONS response regarding Planning Application No. 21/0583 – Erection of 2 dwellings, on Land SW of Bank Top, Lazonby but the Parish Council wished to make the following comments:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Parish Council have asked that in the quest for privacy at the back of the houses that a hedge is planted facing the main road instead of the erection of a fence.
		<p>RESOLVED that the Council give a NO OBJECTIONS response to Planning Application No. 21/0875 – Erection of timber-framed veranda to the rear of dwelling with a glass roof, at 34 Meadows Close, Lazonby, Penrith.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that the Council received and approved the planning application report for Planning Application No. 21/0583 – Erection of 2 dwellings, on Land SW of Bank Top, Lazonby which the Parish Council wished to make a NO OBJECTIONS response but for the following comments to be made:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Parish Council have asked that in the quest for privacy at the back of the houses that a hedge is planted facing the main road instead of the erection of a fence.
21/230	Planning Applications – Decisions.	<p>RESOLVED that it be noted that the following Planning Application Decisions were received:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Planning Application No. 21/0758 - Erection of single storey rear, living and utility, extension and two storey front in-fill extension, at Glen Eden, Lazonby, Penrith - GRANTED.

21/231	LPC Cumbria Highways Link Person Report.	<p>RESOLVED that the following Highways issues be noted:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Potholes near Thiefside to be reported to Cumbria Highways. 2. A drain on Fiddler's Lane near the Agate of the Auction Mart is subsiding so will need reporting to Cumbria Highways.
21/232	Local Government Reorganisation.	<p>The Council received an update about the Local Government Reorganisation (LGR). The Council also received the EALC 'East Cumbria' unitary authority questionnaire with the deadline being 12th November 2021; and notification of a petition that is circulating to reconsider the decision to divide Cumbria into two Unitary Authorities on the UK Government and Parliament petitions website. The petition is asking that The Government reconsider the decision to divide Cumbria into two 'East and West' authorities.</p> <p>CALC sent the following information:</p> <p><i>“The forthcoming reform of local government will be the biggest change since the dissolution of Cumberland and Westmorland in 1974. As you are no doubt aware the Secretary of State has stated a preference for two new unitary authorities in Cumbria – ‘East Cumbria’ (comprising Eden, South Lakeland and Barrow) and ‘West Cumbria’ (comprising Copeland, Allerdale and Carlisle), with the possibility of an overarching combined authority for the whole county that will include a mayor. As early engagement in the change process by town and parish councils may enable the new shadow unitary authority, which will be established in May 2022, to tailor their plans more closely to the needs of local communities, EALC are providing you with an opportunity to give us your views by completing the attached questionnaire and returning it to me by 12th November 2021. Town and parish councils or their individual clerks and councillors are welcome to complete this questionnaire. We will collate your responses and share them with other town and parish councils in Eden.”</i></p> <p>Also, CALC sent the following updates on Local Government Reorganisation (LGR):</p> <p><i>“The Programme Board met yesterday to discuss the progress of the implementation stage of the process and how the workstreams and themes were moving forward. All workstreams and themes have moved into the mobilisation stage. This is an achievement the Chief Executives were keen to share as it shows the programme is gaining momentum. This will see more colleagues across the seven councils getting involved and adding their expertise and local knowledge into the mix. The Board agree this is fundamental to the success of the programme and will help make sure nothing is missed come Vesting Day. They also wanted to restate that the themes in the programme are focused on capturing everything we currently do; these are not the structures of the two new councils.</i></p> <p><i>Vesting Day, on April 1 2023, is a major milestone in this LGR process and marks the end of the implementation stage. The hard work to shape the two new councils continues afterwards in the transformation stage. This really is a marathon and not a sprint and the process will span the next seven years at least. Our seven current councils must continue with business as usual alongside creating the two new councils. To enable this to happen we will be creating a number of opportunities for our staff to take up roles in the Programme Management Office and these</i></p>

		<p>opportunities will be shared with you soon. It is also likely that we will need some support from a Strategic Partner who will work alongside the Programme Board to ensure the two new councils are safe and legal come Vesting Day. To aid our implementation plan and transition into the two new councils it was important to create a Data Hub and this collaborative approach has now been finalised with a sharing agreement due to be presented to the Programme Board shortly for sign off. This will be the engine room of the programme, a place to bring together the collective data of all seven councils to be shared and analysed. This data will support the programme and help identify key themes to be addressed and any issues. Alongside the mobilisation programme, Cumbria County Council's decision to ask for a Judicial Review into the government's decision to create two unitary authorities continues and was called in by three councillors. The call in was looked at by the council's Scrutiny Management Board this week. The Scrutiny Management Board voted to refer the decision back to Cabinet on the grounds of the cost of pursuing a Judicial Review. The Cabinet will meet on Thursday to discuss. We will update you with the outcome. If you have any questions, please email Corporate.Communications@cumbria.gov.uk"</p> <p>"Local Government Reorganisation - Judicial Review update - Yesterday Cumbria County Council issued its Judicial Review application in respect of the Government's proposals to create two new unitary authorities in Cumbria. That means that legal proceedings have now commenced. The council now has seven days to serve a copy of the court papers on the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities and the six district councils. Those papers will be sent out later today. The first step in the court process is the granting of permission to bring a judicial review. Once the parties are served with the court papers they will have 21 days to respond (as interested parties, the district councils do not have to file a substantive response but may choose to do so). The judge will then make a decision as to whether or not to grant permission based on their reading of the papers. If the judge grants permission the case will be listed for a substantive hearing. If the judge does not grant permission, the council can ask for an oral hearing on the issues of permission. We will provide you with further updates as the case progresses."</p> <p>RESOLVED that the information and updates about the Local Government Reorganisation be noted.</p>
21/234	Remembrance Sunday - 14th November 2021.	RESOLVED that it be noted that that the Chair Councillor Chris West has agreed to do the readings for Remembrance Sunday, 10.00 am 14th November 2021.
21/235	Invitations to Participate.	<p>The Council considered if Council Members would like to comment, take part in, attend, or send a representative to any invitations to participate.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Ainstable Parish Council will be holding an extraordinary meeting to discuss the Blaze Fell planning application at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 9th November 2021, at Ainstable Church Institute - If any members of the Parish Council, or local residents, would like to attend the meeting they will be very welcome. Similarly, they would welcome any members of the Parish Council who would like to speak at the meeting, but they would like to know beforehand to help arrange the agenda and meeting. Ainstable Church Institute has a projector and screen installed and they are quite happy to put up any relevant documents or information that would help.

		<p>2. Health Equity Commission – with the opportunity to feedback by 10th November 2021. Some of you will be aware that the Integrated Care Systems in Cumbria recently launched a Health Equity Commission (HEC). Professor Sir Michael Marmot will be chairing the Commission. Sir Michael Marmot has been Professor of Epidemiology at University College London since 1985 he has led research groups on health inequalities for nearly 50 years and is the Advisor to the WHO Director-General, on social determinants of health. Many of you will be familiar with the 2010 report 'Fair Society, Healthy Lives' (The Marmot Review) https://www.instituteofhealthequity.org/resources-reports/fair-society-healthy-lives-the-marmot-review and the more recent report 'Health Equity in England: The Marmot Review 10 Years On' https://www.instituteofhealthequity.org/resources-reports/marmot-review-10-years-on/the-marmot-review-10-years-on-full-report.pdf as well as the COVID Review Build Back Fairer: The COVID-19 Marmot Review - The Health Foundation The purpose of the Commission is to support and influence efforts to tackle health inequalities and promote health equity. Eden has been asked to submit evidence to inform the Commission of our local experience in reducing health inequalities. The potential scope of health inequalities is large and therefore we are focusing on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any work that aims to reduce health inequalities that have been undertaken as part of a partnership. This work can focus on: • Reducing social inequalities • Reducing inequalities in risk factors that lead to poor health • Reducing inequalities in access, experience and outcomes <p>Individual organisations have a large role to play in reducing health inequalities. However, the evidence from Eden will focus on how integrated action can reduce health inequalities. Local partnerships are asked to imagine a world where reducing health inequalities is the number one priority. What action would the partnership be taking locally? What are the barriers to achieving that ambition? What do we need the Commission to do to support us in striving to reduce health inequalities?</p> <p>3. 'Carbon Zero in Cumbria and the Lake District', a free event that involves a number of speakers from the Lake District Partnership Partner organisations. The event is being held on 16th November at Rheged near Penrith. From 5 pm to 7.30 pm.</p> <p>4. Policy Consultation Briefing - Environmental Permitting Regulations - Policy consultation briefing on the DEFRA consultation into the Environmental Permitting Regulations from Chris Borg, Policy Manager at NALC.</p> <p>RESOLVED that invitations to participate be noted.</p> <p>ALSO RESOLVED that it be noted that Councillors Chris West and Andrew Miller will attend the Ainstable Parish Council extraordinary meeting to discuss the Blaze Fell planning application at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 9th November 2021, at Ainstable Church Institute.</p>
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21/236	INFORMATION given for reference only.	<p>RESOLVED that it be noted that the following information was given to the Council for reference only.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Regular NALC Updates and Bulletins. 2. Cumbria Highways Update - September 2021. 3. Letter from the Pageant Master, the Queens Platinum Jubilee Beacons with more information on the lighting of Beacons on 2nd June 2022 to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee. 4. Adult Learning in Eden - October 2021 Bulletin. 5. Local Government Reorganisation (LGR) Newsletter – 20th October 2021. 6. Presentations from CALC AGM on 16th October 2021.
21/237	Date of the Next Meeting.	<p>RESOLVED that the date of the next scheduled meeting be Wednesday 1st December 2021, at 7.30 pm, in the Village Hall.</p>

The meeting finished at 9.25 pm.