Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 19 August 2025 **Attendance** Action/ **Decision** Councillors: M. Glencross (MG), N. Glencross (NG), J. Hanley (JH), A. Jones (AJ) (Chair), P. Jones (PJ) and M. Wilson (MW). Members of the public: None. J. Rae, Acting Clerk (JR). 39/8/25 Apologies for absence Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. K. Appleton-Derrick and J. Potter. The reasons for absence were noted and accepted. 40/8/25 Declarations of Interest No declarations of interest were received. No requests for dispensations were received. 41/8/25 Minutes RESOLVED that the Chair be authorised to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 24 June 2025 as a true record. 42/8/25 Public Question Time No members of the public were in attendance. 43/8/25 Clerk's Report JR reported that: Two requests had been received to site memorial benches in the Parish. The requests were considered under agenda item 51/8/25. An email had been received from a member of the public stating that they had visited the village and found that the toilets had been cleaned then locked at 4.30pm when the park was full. The complainant felt this was unacceptable especially in summer. AJ had responded to the complaint encouraging the complainant to petition both Cumberland Council and the local MP in finding funding for the Parish Council to extend opening hours. Notification received from CALC that the Cumberland Local Plan Briefing will be held by Teams on 16 September at 7.00pm Notification received from CALC that the Cumberland Hyperfast Broadband Event will be held on Teams 23 September at 7.00pm Cumbria Community Foundation had requested the end of grant report be completed by 31 JR to forward **August** invoice to KAD KAD had completed the ACRE/NALC Flooding Survey A request received to scatter ashes on Allonby beach had been referred to Cumberland Council A road closure will be in place commencing on 1st September for approximately five days on the B5300 Allonby from its junction with the C2018, extending in a north westerly direction for approx. 420m. A request for funding had been received from Citizens Advice Allerdale

44/8/25 Progress reports for information

- a Car Parks There was no update from Cumberland Council.
- b Play Park It was noted the installation of the Ninja Trail had been put back until October
- c Toilet Block AJ reported that the donation box will be delivered the next day. Members considered a suitable location and will ask the usual contractor to install the post. It was discussed whether a QR code could be created to encourage donations to be made via phone or mobile device by scanning the code.

It was noted there had been no activity at the Cycle Hire business over the summer months. The six-month review of the tenancy agreement is due on 1 October.

JR to contact the Tenant regarding the arrears and their future intentions.

45/8/25 Cumberland Councillor's Report

K. Thurlow, Cumberland Councillor was not in attendance.

46/8/25 Planning

(a) Applications Received: None

(b) Decisions: None

47/8/25 Finance

- (a) The financial report at 31 July 2025 had been circulated. Balance £44,751.13
- (b) NJC Pay Award The NJC pay award had been agreed on 24 July back dated to 1 April 2025. This was noted and approved.
- (c) The following accounts were authorised for payment:

PAYEE	BUDGET LINE	AMOUNT
J Rae	Clerk's account July 2025	£196.49
HMRC	PAYE July 2025	£ 48.80
J. Rae	Clerk's account August 2025	£240.07
HMRC	PAYE August 2025	£ 56.60
Eon	Toilet Block (DD)	£ 38.73
K. Hetherington	Toilet Block Cleaning	£512.00
S. Ringrose	Remove Planters	£ 50.00
S. Ringrose	Repairs	£115.00
Contactless Donation Boxes Ltd.	Donation Box (50% deposit)	£542.50
Value Web Design	Website renewal	£199.00 (BACS)

48/8/25 Correspondence for Information

Cumberland Council Newsletters

CALC - Cumberland Local Plan Briefing - Tuesday 16 September 7pm on Microsoft Teams

CALC - Invitation: Introduction to Age-friendly Communities Webinar – 10 September Cumbria Community Foundation End-of-Grant Report

CALC - Devolution update 6th August 7 to 8pm

CALC Cumberland Hyperfast Broadband Event - 7.00pm Tuesday 23rd September 2025 via

Correspondence received was noted.

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Microsoft Teams	
CALC - NJC Pay agreement	
CALC News	
CALC - ACRE/NALC flooding survey	
Cumberland Council - Call for Sites (Local Plan)	
Sellafield Sites - Particles in the Environment Update Q1 2025	
Danfo (UK) Ltd. Brochure	
Cumberland Council - Councillor Conduct: Respect, Social Media and Refresher Training	
49/8/25 Fund Raising	
KAD was not in attendance.	
50/8/25 Parish Plan	
Work on the Parish Plan is ongoing.	
51/8/2025 Memorial Benches	
Members considered the two requests received to site memorial benches in the Parish.	
It was agreed to seek advice from Cumberland Council on whether they have a definitive policy that sets out how memorial benches are approved, who is responsible for their upkeep	AJ agreed to contact Julian Smith at
and what is expected from the donor and the Parish Council.	Cumberland
It was also discussed whether it would be more practical for memorial plaques to be placed in a suitable location with donations being made towards the play park.	Council
52/8/25 Councillors' reports and items for future agenda	JR to log this
The bridge on the Allonby to Maryport road near the Hayton junction had been damaged.	with Highways
The bollards on the Cycle path have been damaged	JH to check and repair
53/8/25 Date of next meeting:	
The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 30 September 2025 – 7.30pm .	
Meeting closed: The meeting closed at 8.31 pm.	