

Dear Sir/Madam,

8th December 2024

You are summoned to attend the Colton Parish Council Meeting being held at Oxen Park Reading Room on **Monday 16th December 2024 at 7pm**. Please let the Parish Clerk know in advance if you plan to attend and wish to speak on a specific matter. Email: clerk@coltonparishcouncil.org.uk

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies:**
- 2. Minutes of Last Meeting:** To authorise the Chair to sign the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11th November 2024 as a true record.
- 3. Declarations of Interest:** To receive declarations of interest by members in respect of items on this agenda:
- 4. Requests for Dispensations:** The Clerk to report any requests received for dispensations to speak and/or vote on any matter where a member has a disclosable pecuniary interest
- 5. Public Participation:**
 - a. Community participation: any member of the public present who wishes to address the Council
 - b. Community Policing Update CPO Paul Harris
 - c. Unitary Authority update: Cllr Pender
 - d. LDNPA update: Cllr Wharton
- 6. Update on actions from the previous meeting (not covered elsewhere on the agenda):**
 - a. Lakeside noticeboard: Cllr Workman – next steps
 - b. Mitigating the impact of events on local communities – pending response from David Haughian Assistant Director - Community Infrastructure WFC. Suzanne has raised the issue again following notification of the 2025 K2B
 - c. ENWL Resilience Meeting – Volunteer?
 - d. Update re Letter signs on the adjacent land and the closure of steps into the field: Cllr Workman
 - e. Update re concerns about trees felled and hut erected at the Old School House Bouth (see 7/2023/5504) and response from Area Planner Ben Long LDNPA Cllr Bennett
 - f. Update on PC meeting with LDNPA held on 3/12/24 Cllr Wiley
 - g. Items for meeting with Local PCs & Suzanne Pender 7pm 8/1/25 Teams
 - h. Clerk recruitment Cllr Bennett
 - i. Cllr roles and responsibilities:
 1. Chair – Abigail Bennett
 2. Vice Chair – Gail Dudson
 3. Finance – Gail Dudson, Ian Wharton
 4. LDNPA liaison – Ian Wharton
 5. Communities Welbeing & Resilience
 6. Highways – Archie Workman
 7. The Climate emergency & Environment
 8. Housing and Planning
 9. Safeguarding –
 10. Communication – (Colton Link, News items, Website etc)
 - j. Cllr training All

7. Communities, wellbeing and resilience:

- a. Adoption of CPC EDI policy: Next steps or final agreement All
- b. Adoption of CPC Expenses Policy: Next steps of final agreement All
- c. Update re CPC Website: temporary arrangements for keeping it updated. Cllr Bennett and Cllr Wharton
- d. Any issues arising from recent adverse weather inc problems with power
- e. Community Grants and encouraging community groups to apply

8. The climate emergency and our environment:

- a. Green Sparks – Update on Plan for an interpretation board on Spark Bridge Village Green
 - I. Rawden Smith Trust Grant awarded
 - II. Coffee Morning planned for Sat 1st Feb SB VH

9. Highways:

- a. Feedback from Meeting with WFC Highways 10/12/24 Cllr Workman
- b. Lengthsman activity over the last month and any expected upcoming Issues: Cllr Workman
- c. Options for a long-term solution to the problem of drainage, washdown etc at Colton (Colton Church Track and lane to Vicarage Corner) Cllr Workman and All
- d. Grit bins – any further actions required: All
- e. Fibrus road closures – any issues arising - all

9. Housing and planning

- a. To consider and respond to the following planning applications:
 - i. Proposed new public footpath - YMCA to Stott Park Heights, Colton Parish
 - b. Planning applications responded to, awaiting LDNPA decision:
 - i) 7/2024/5641 at The Old Vicarage, Colton, Ulverston, Cumbria, LA12 8HF Alterations to an existing outbuilding Colton Parish Council Neutral
 - ii) 7/2024/5623 at Yew Tree Cottage, High Ickenthaite, Rusland, Nr Ulverston, LA12 8LD Flexible use as local occupancy dwelling or holiday let Colton Parish Council Neutral
 - iii) 7/2024/5627 at High End House, Finsthwaite, Ulverston, LA12 8BJ Relocation of existing oil tank Colton Parish Council Neutral
 - iv) 7/2024/5606 Listed Building Consent application High End House, Finsthwaite, Ulverston, LA12 8BJ Division of existing first room to provide new en-suite, and new dividing wall and door between first floor room and existing staircase. CPC Neutral
 - v) 7/2024/5622 amendment to permission at Low Longmire Farm
 - vi) 7/2024/5535 Cinder Hill Rusland
- c. LDNPA decisions- for information only:
 - i. 7/2024/5494 Ashslack, Rusland, Ulverston, LA12 8LD : Side extension forming garden / games room and plant room and installation of double doors to rear. CPC Neutral LDNPA Approved with Conditions
 - ii. 7/2024/5387 at Crosslands Cottage, Rusland, LA12 8JU. Erection of single storey garden shed. CPC NEUTRAL LDNPA Approved with conditions
 - iii. 7/2024/5495 Woodside Cottage, Low Stott Park Replacement of existing septic tank with new package treatment plant to serve Woodside and Low Mill Cottage Approved with Conditions
 - iv. 7/2024/5351 High Haybridge, Bouth, Bouth, LA12 8JG. Proposal: Demolition of an existing dwelling and construction of a replacement dwelling Reply by: 28 October 2024 CPC Object due

to IMPACT of Construction -fragile nature of environment and road; nature reserve. CPC Oppose. LDNPA Refused

- v. T/2024/0154 Location: Lakeside Hotel, Newby Bridge, Ulverston, CUMBRIA, LA12 8AT Proposal: T1 Type: Beech Details: Crown Reduction - Reducing the height and spread of the tree by up to 3 metres, clear up fallen limb from field and remove all arisings Reply by: 15 October 2024 CPC Support LDNPA Approved with conditions
- vi. 7/2024/5520: Bullace Cottage, Finsthwaite, Ulverston, LA12 8BJ Proposal: Loft conversion including addition of rear pitched roof dormer and solar panels. Replay by 24th October. CPC Support Approved with conditions

11. Finance, Assets, Governance and Audit:

- a. Banking update: Cllr Dudson
- b. Precept 2025/26 – Letter from Sue Roberts
- c. To note provisional CALC subscription for £2025/2026 - £257.72
- d. Draft CPC Expenses Policy and next steps
- e. To approve the following payments:
 - i) Invoice from Archie Workman for Lengthsman work carried out as detailed £320

12. Correspondence (for information unless otherwise stated), consultations and meetings attended:

- a) Clerk and Cllr training bulletin and booking procedure
- b) Letter from Jordan Matthews alerting CPC to the Glorious Gravel Cycling Event 28/06/2024 the route of which includes roads and lanes throughout the CPC area
- c) Invitation to participate the Act Survey Influencing Rural Communities Cllr Dickinson
- d) Invitation to the Love Windermere Cllr information evening held 9/12/24 – AB responded asking to be kept informed
- e) Notification of closure of Causeway Bouth 17/12/24
- f) Friends of the Lake District New Report – Who pays for the Lake District. Circulated
- g) Letter of thanks from Paulette Bissell on behalf of Barrow Food Bank thanking CPC and the local community for all their contributions
- h) Notification of the 2025 K2B 10th May 2025
- i) Rookhow Quarterly Update

13. Newsletter items: ALL

Deadline for C&C 14/12/24 – News report circulated R&S – change of contact – updated

14. Items for the next/future agenda

For 20/1/25 Sara Spicer LDNPA to attend – Update re Rusland Mosses
Room booking for 2025/2026
Budget

15. Date and time of next meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Monday 16th December at 7pm at Oxen Park Village Hall.