

14th January 2025

Meeting of Colton Parish Council to be held at Finsthwaite & Lakeside Village Hall on **Monday 20th January 2025 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 16th December 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. Sara Spicer & Cath Johnson (LDNP) – update re Rusland mosses & general update.
 - b. Community participation: any member of the public present who wishes to address the Council. (The Council may wish to consider a matter in more detail at a later date before making a full response)
 - c. Community Policing Update CPO Paul Harris
 - d. Unitary Authority update: Cllr Pender
 - e. LDNPA update: Cllr Wharton
- 6. Update on actions from the previous meeting** (not covered elsewhere on the agenda and for information only):
- 7. Communities, wellbeing and resilience:**
 - a. Website
 - b. Community Grants
 - c. Community Plan Cllr responsibilities
- 8. The climate emergency and our environment:**
 - a. Green Sparks – interpretation board on Spark Bridge VG
 - b. Off roading vehicles - Riggs/Ickenthaite to Nibthwaite
- 9. Highways:**
 - a. Lengthsman activity over the last month & any expected upcoming Issues: Cllr Workman
 - b. Road closures in the Parish
 - c. Grit bins
 - d. Noticeboards report/review & consideration of replacements (Cllr Workman)

10. Housing and planning

- a. To consider and respond to the following planning applications:
7/2024/5 700 – School House, Finsthwaite – concreting to yards & roofing over feed areas in connection with Natural England catchment sensitive areas.
- b. LDNPA decisions- for information only:
 - 7/2024/5641 - The Old Vicarage, Colton, Ulverston, Cumbria, LA12 8HF Alterations to an existing outbuilding - permitted
 - 7/2024/5627 - High End House, Finsthwaite, Ulverston, LA12 8BJ Relocation of existing oil tank – granted with conditons
 - 7/2024/5622 - amendment to permission at Low Longmire Farm – permitted
 - 7/2024/5552 – dredging of laked bed adjacent to 8 jetties – permitted
 - 7/2024/5535 - Cinder Hill Rusland – alterations to exisiting development – permitted.

11. Finance, Assets, Governance and Audit:

- a. Banking update: Cllr Dudson
- b. Signatories
- c. Approval of internal controls for contractual payments.
- d. To note registration with Information Commissioner/Data Protection
- e. To consider 2025/26 Budget/Reserves & agree Precept request.
- f. To note NJC 2024 pay award.
- g. To approve the following payments: (invoices circulated)
 - A Workman £160.00 (lengthsman invoice Dec 24)
 - IH Media - £249.98 (annual website/emails)
 - Information Commissioner - £40 (Data Protection Fee)
 - Oxenpark Reading Rooms - £20 (hall hire Dec 24)
 - B Workman - £59.99 (for Microsoft subscription)
- h. Approval of Locum Clerk Contract
- I. Permanent Clerk Recruitment
 - applications
 - staffing committee
 - recruitment process/timescale
- j. Councillor training
- k. Councillor vacancies East ward

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

- Windermere Marathon
- PFCC Property Fund – Police based funding
- W&F Council – devolution plans
- W&F Council – draft lighting policy

12. Newsletter items: ALL

13. Items for the next/future agenda

14. Date and time of next meeting and agreement of Council year meeting dates/venues.