

PENNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council
Monday 11th March 2024
7pm
Parish Rooms

Minutes

Attendees	Mrs Athersmith Mrs Bell (Clerk) Mr Davidson Mrs Slater	Mr Stretch Mrs Thompson (Chair) 2 Members of the Public		
ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTIONS	OWNER	DUE
24-03/1 Apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 			
24-03/2 Declarations of Councillors Interests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mrs Athersmith declared an interest in item 23-03/13 – Community Chat Donation 			
24-03/3 Exclusion of the Press and Public	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 			
24-03/4 Vacancies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The following vacancies were noted: Swarthmoor Ward – 2 vacancies Pennington Ward – 0 vacancies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vacancies to be advertised on the website and requested to be advertised via CommChat and school newsletter. 		
24-03/5 Previous Minutes dated 12/02/24 and Matters Arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes signed as a true and accurate reflection of the meeting. 			
24-03/6 Public Participation by Question and Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 member of the public informed Council that they had attended the high speed roll out event at the auction 			

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	<p>market which informed on how the programme will be achieved by the end of 2026.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 member of the public reported significant road damage from Pennington to Horace. Concerns were raised regarding safety of anyone using the road. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk to report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ASAP
24-03/7 District Councillors/ Elected Members Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brief update on Moorgarth parking issues was received from Cllr Cooper via email. • Brief update on Birkrigg Park Defibs was received from Cllr Cooper via email. 			
24-03/8 Swarthmoor/ High Carley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was requested that the playground report be re-sent to councillors. • Council were informed that a replacement bus shelter panel had been sourced at £90 plus VAT and will be fitted free of charge. • Council were informed that there has been issues with Green Bins not being collected at Crosslands Close. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk to forward • Clerk used delegated power to spend • Clerk to email Cllr Cooper 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk • Clerk 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ASAP ASAP
24-03/9 Pennington/ Loppergarth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council were informed that Loppergarth carpark patching has been completed and all documents forwarded to the relevant person. • Council were informed of reports of poor planting as part of the Highways Audit remedial work at Cross-a-Moor • Council were informed that Pennington School have returned the Community Defibrillator. It was resolved to advertise in the Community Chat, Social Media and leaflet drop for someone to monitor the defibrillator in Loppergarth. The telephone box was identified as an ideal housing unit. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk to contact Cllr Cooper and Cllr Brereton 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing
24-03/10 Sunnyside/ Parish Rooms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council were informed of planned changes to the key-code and access to the Parish Rooms 			
24-03/11 Planning Matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2024/0245/FPA – Proposal for change of use of agricultural land to allow siting of pods and set up camping area. Change of use of an existing building for 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk to respond. • The application as detailed was discussed and it was resolved that the Council 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ASAP

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	toilets and laundry for the site including extension to the rear at Ewe Dale Farm Pennington, LA12 0NX	has no objection to make although an observation was made that the development should have no negative impact on the neighbouring Public Right of Way.		
24-03/12 Financial Matters	<p>Financial Matters Balance as at 11/01/2024</p> <p>Payments <u>To resolve to note the following payments from Bank Statements</u> <u>11/01/2024 – 09/02/2024</u> AJG Council Insurance AJG Property Owners Insurance EON Next – Parish Rooms Electricity Clerk Salary Clerk WFH allowance Waterplus - allotments 1 and 1 Ionos website Total Bank Statement Expenditure</p> <p>Receipts <u>To resolve to note the following receipts from Bank Statements</u> <u>11/01/2024 – 09/02/2024</u> Allotments x 3 Sunnyside Rent Total Bank Statement Receipts</p> <p>Bank Statement Balance at 09/02/2024</p>	<p><u>£34,711.98</u></p> <p>£1,384.58 £777.61 £25.56 £540.19 £26.00 £11.02 £8.39 <u>£2,773.35</u></p> <p>£96.00 £470.00 <u>£566.00</u></p> <p><u>£32,504.63</u></p>		

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	<p><u>Cashbook Payments</u> Ulverston Townlands Rent RS Groundworks Loppergarth carpark Total Cashbook Payments</p> <p><u>Cashbook Receipts</u> Sunnyside rent Total Cashbook Receipts</p> <p>Total Payments Total Receipts</p> <p>Running Balance</p> <p>Reserves General Buildings Maintenance CIL Bus Shelters Maintenance Election Fees Playground Maintenance Total</p> <p><u>To resolve to consider/approve the following payments:</u></p>	<p>£30.00 £1,740.00 <u>£2,040.00</u></p> <p>£470.00 <u>£470.00</u></p> <p><u>£4,813.35</u> <u>£1,036.00</u></p> <p><u>£30,934.63</u></p> <p>£2,000.00 £14,530.76 £7,121.78 £1,521.73 £2,000.00 £1,298.80 <u>£28,473.07</u></p>		
<p>24-03/13 From Previous Agenda</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council were informed that there is potential interest from a resident to be involved as a broadband champion. • It was resolved to investigate changing to .gov email and potential new website. • Update was provided on the D-Day celebrations. Contact has been made the Challenge Action group at Pennington School but no response received as yet. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk to look into .gov domains 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk • HST 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing • Ongoing

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drainage at the allotments was discussed and it was resolved to make contact with the local farmer to clear the culvert. • Council were updated on the CLP including the Sheep Trail, contact with the Challenge Action group at Pennington School and Broadband. • It was resolved to have a Council mobile number in place of personal contact details. SIM only contract was agreed by unanimous vote. • It was resolved to remove all personal details from Council documents with just the Council email address and mobile number. • Council received an application for grant funding from the Community Chat Magazine for £159. • Mrs Athersmith left the meeting • Council resolved to approve the funding of £150 the remainder of the grant fund pot. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Stretch to contact farmer. • Clerk to investigate • Clerk to update all documents • Clerk to send payment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk • Clerk • Clerk 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing • Ongoing • ASAP
<p>24-03/14 Policy Review</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The following policies were considered and re-adopted <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grants Policy • Protocol on the recording and filming of council and community meetings • Retention of Documents Policy • It was resolved for the Clerk to sign re-adoption on behalf of the council. <p>The following Policy has been updated and will be moved for approval at the next meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency Plan 			
<p>24-03/15 Items for future agenda</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None identified. 			
<p>24-03/16 Date of Next Meeting</p>	<p>The next ordinary meeting was requested for 8th April 2023 – 7pm in the Parish Rooms.</p>			
<p>Meeting closed at 20:24</p>				

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