



**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 02 May 2023
at the Sedgwick Room, Dent**

Present: Jocelyn Manners-Armstrong (Chair), Emma Richardson, Geoff Woof, Laura Thornley,
Jen Winn, Michael Akrigg

Clerk, Scott Thornley

To be presented for acceptance at the Parish Council meeting on Monday 03 July 2023

565	/23	Election of Chair: Cllr. Manners-Armstrong was nominated by Cllr. Thornley and seconded by Cllr. Winn and was unanimously elected as Chair for 2023-2024.
566	/23	Declaration of Acceptance: Cllr. Manners-Armstrong duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance
567	/23	Election of Vice-Chair: Cllr. Richardson was nominated by Cllr. Manners-Armstrong and seconded by Cllr. Thornley and was unanimously elected to Vice-Chair for 2023-2024.
568	/23	Co-Option of new member: Ian Mitchell had indicated his wish to be co-opted to the Clerk but had been unable to attend the meeting. It was RESOLVED to co-opt Ian Mitchell to the council.
569	/23	Apologies for absence: RESOLVED to accept apologies and record the reason from Cllr. Howes.
570	/23	Declarations of Interest: There were no interests to declare.
571	/23	Minutes of the meeting on Monday 06 March 2023: RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting on Monday 06 March 2023 were a correct record and a copy was signed by the Chair.
572	/23	Clerk's Report: The report had been circulated to all councillors and was accepted. There was a discussion regarding outstanding highways issues and the Clerk was asked to chase these up.
573	/23	Chair and Member Announcements: Cllr. Akrigg advised that the council now had permission from the landowner to erect "No Camping" signs in the layby at Dent Head. Clerk to arrange this ASAP.
574	/23	Public Forum: There were no members of the public present and no representations had been received prior to the meeting.
575	/23	Committee Membership: The current Committee memberships were reviewed and it was RESOLVED to make the following changes: Ian Mitchell to join the Playing Field Committee Les Howes to come off the Planning Committee, Michael Akrigg to join and a vacancy be left for any new councillor Jen Winn to join the Amenities and Environment Committee with a vacancy to be left It was questioned whether Chris Evans was still representing the council at both Dent Grammar School Education Foundation and Dent Combined Charities. Clerk to find out and report back. No representative was put forward to the Meditation Centre committee and it was RESOLVED to ask Gary Seekins if he would continue to report back to the council. It was also RESOLVED to check if we have the right to substitute at any of the outside bodies, chase up minutes from meetings at Sedbergh Medical Practice and ask the Dentdale Community Housing Project whether they would welcome a council representative to their committee.

Chairperson:.....

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576	/23	Annual Governance Statement: The Annual Governance Statement was presented by the clerk and it was RESOLVED to approve the statement.	
577	/23	Annual Accounting Statement: The Annual Accounting Statement was presented by the clerk and it was RESOLVED to approve the statement.	
578	/23	Internal Audit Report: The internal Audit Report was presented by the clerk and it was RESOLVED to approve the report.	
579	/23	Payments for authorisation: RESOLVED to authorise the following payments: Flowbird (Payment Processing Costs) £58.03 WaterPlus (Water at toilets) £93.39 Jean Airey (Internal Audit) £75.00 Scott Thornley (Clerks Expenses) £40.00	
580	/23	Account Balances: RESOLVED to note the account balances as: Current Account £15,350.34 Deposit Account £8,048.12	
581	/23	Payments made since the last meeting: RESOLVED to note the list of payments made since the last meeting.	
582	/23	Policy and Resources Committee: RESOLVED to note the minutes of the meeting on Monday 17 April 2023	
583	/23	Amenities and Environment Committee: RESOLVED to note the minutes of the meeting on Monday 06 February 2023	
584	/23	Planning Committee: RESOLVED to note the minutes of the meeting on Thursday 20 April 2023	
585	/23	Exceptional Items: Cllr. Winn noted that seed and sand had been requested for the playing field and the Clerk advised that he was waiting to hear from Sport England regarding a grant. It was noted that Ewegales Bridge had been hit again by a vehicle on the downstream side. It was noted that the downstream parapet at Church Bridge seems to have shifted. It was noted that a wall in a layby near Clint had been damaged as had the bridge close to HaningRigg and that there were persistent speeding issues on the back road from Ewegales Bridge back towards Dent, this was mainly local farmers in tractors but part of this route forms the Dalesway footpath. It was noted that the road appears to be collapsing into the river between Huds House and Croft House in Cowgill.	
586	/23	Date of next meeting: RESOLVED that the next meeting will be held on Monday 03 July 2023, venue to be confirmed, to commence at 7.30pm. Meeting closed at 20.17	

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