



Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting held on Monday 06 July 2026 at the Sedgwick Room, Dent

Present: Jocelyn Manners-Armstrong (Chair), Andrew Povey, Emma Richardson, Geoff Woof, Bryan Garwood, Richard Huxley

Clerk: Scott Thornley

To be presented for acceptance at the Parish Council meeting on Monday 03 August 2026

1037	/26	Apologies for absence: RESOLVED to accept apologies from Cllrs. Shepherd and Mitchell	
1038	/26	Declarations of Interest: RESOLVED to accept the declaration Cllr. Povey as a Director of CALC, Chair of Dent Community Pub, Director of Western Dales Bus and Director of Personnel Services Ltd and from Cllr. Garwood as a Director of Western Dales Bus and from Cllr. Huxley whose wife is a Director of Dent Community Gym.	
1039	/26	Minutes of the meeting on Wednesday 27 May 2026: RESOLVED that the minutes of Wednesday 27 May be signed as a correct record by the Chair. It was noted that a review of membership of external committees had been suggested and this would be on the next agenda.	
1040	/26	Clerk's Report: The report had been circulated to all councillors and was accepted. It was suggested that the Clerk forward the plan of car park bays to all councillors. It was noted that the large campervan was still in situ and should be removed. It was suggested that Ken McClurg may have further information on the benches on the green. It was suggested that the play area surface should be cleaned to avoid accidents. Noted that completed parish plan surveys should not be left at Dent Stores. It was noted that use of the playing field and associated charges were not structured, and it was suggested that charges should be £15 per hour for use of the field not including the football pitch. This item to appear on the next agenda.	
1041	/26	Chair and Member Announcements: There were no announcements from the Chair or members.	
1042	/26	Public Forum: There were no items raised by members of the public.	
1043	/26	Account Balances: RESOLVED to note the account balances as: Current Account £4,339.62 Deposit Account £60,371.64	
1044	/26	Reserves Position: RESOLVED to note the councils earmarked reserves as: Car Park Reserve £7,000.00 Playing Field Reserve £3,002.43 Emergency Verge Maintenance £308.00 Beech Hill Project £500.00 Parish Plan £500.00 Village Green £3500.00 General Reserve £10,990.46	

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1046	/26	Budget Monitoring: RESOLVED to approve the Q1 Budget Monitoring Report and noted that a Year-on-Year comparison of car parking Receipts and Payments would be useful.																																																										
1047	/26	Grants: RESOLVED that the total budget for grants was £7,000. Noted that it was positive that we had received a number of applications. Suggested that future terms and conditions should include a condition that anybody applying for a grant needs to be meeting their legal requirements. RESOLVED that a Task and Finish Group be set up to deal with the grants and would make a recommendation to the next council meeting. The group would consist of Cllrs. Manners-Armstrong, Garwood, Huxley, Povey and either Mitchell or Shepherd.																																																										
1048	/26	Car Park Bay Marking: RESOLVED to defer this item as no further information had been received.																																																										
1049	/26	Council policies: RESOLVED to approve all of the councils' policies once the cover sheets had been updated. Noted that Housing Policy should be on the next agenda for a full review.																																																										
1050	/26	Dent Library Link: Noted that Westmorland and Furness had recently appointed a new manager and that Cllr. Mitchell was waiting to speak with them. RESOLVED to defer this item pending further information.																																																										

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1051	/26	Bus Reform Pilot Survey: RESOLVED that the survey was completed during the meeting.	
1052	/26	EV Charger Maintenance: RESOLVED that it should be pointed out to Energy Saving Trust that they have a fiduciary duty regarding these chargers.	
1053	/26	Defibrillators: RESOLVED to leave the defibrillator in Cowgill where it is for the time being. Cllr. Povey to speak with Cllr. Mitchell regarding the defibrillator in Gawthrop.	
1054	/26	Beech Hill: Cllr. Mitchell to circulate the survey results to all councillors.	
1055	/26	Landslip at Dent Head: Noted that the drainage and passing place were still an issue and this should be followed up with Westmorland and Furness Council.	
1056	/26	Parish Plan: Noted that the survey had now been distributed to all households in the parish. Noted that there was a fault with the online survey which should be rectified.	
1057	/26	Village Green: RESOLVED that Cllr. Manners-Armstrong will write to Westmorland and Furness Council regarding this.	
1058	/26	Exceptional Items: There were no exceptional items to discuss.	
1059	/26	Planning: <u>New Applications</u> S/01/14F/LB at Mire House Barn, Dent – Section 19 application to vary condition 4 (colour of flue) of S/01/14F (Listed building consent for installation of an Air Source Heat Pump to the northeast elevation and installation of a flue pipe to the southeast roof slope) RESOLVED that there were no objections to this application. S/01/62C at East View, Dent – Householder planning permission and relevant demolition in a conservation area in respect of alteration and extension of existing garden room, formation of boundary fence and installation of new oil tank RESOLVED that there were no objections to this application. <u>Decisions to note.</u> There were no decisions to note.	
1060	/26	Date of Next Meeting: RESOLVED that the next meeting will be held on Monday 03 August 2026 at 7.30pm in the Sedgwick Room, Dent Meeting closed at 21.07	

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