

Hayton and Mealo Parish Council

A meeting of the Hayton and Mealo Parish Council was held in the Prospect Village Hall, Prospect, Aspatria on Wednesday 13th November 2024 at 7.30pm.

PRESENT: Messrs. V. Sonnabend, R. Murray, Y. Lockwood, and J. Pye.

Also, Present: T. Gear (Clerk).

Apologies: None

Councillor V. Sonnabend in the Chair.

118/2024 MEMBERS APOLOGIES

The following councillors had given written apologies: S. Hitchen (Personal) and D. Hillary (Illness) and their absence was approved.

119/2024 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None

120/2024 DISPENSATIONS

None

121/2024 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

There were no items on the agenda which required the press and public to be excluded.

122/2024 MINUTES

On the proposal of R. Murray and seconded by V. Sonnabend it was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meetings held on 11th September 2024 be approved and signed as a correct record.

123/2024 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public were present, and no matters were raised on their behalf.

124/2024 CORRESPONDENCE

The following items of correspondence have been received since the last meeting and circulated to members for their information: -.

Various Cumberland Council Newsletters.

Connecting Cumbria Newsletter – September and October 2024

CALC News – July and August 2024.

Hyperfast GB Newsletter – Autumn 2024

Fells and Solway Community Network Event 14.11.24 and other information

CALC AGM Invitation and other Board information

Polling District and Polling place review
Launch of New Cumbria People and Nature Network Website
Cumberland Council Statement of Community Involvement
Invite to Workshops for Cumbria LNRS Mapping
Don't miss the Family Help and Prevention Professional Roadshow
Feedback on the Cumbria Intelligence Observatory website

125/2024 CLERKS REPORT

The clerk gave a brief report on matters that had arisen since the last meeting. which included: -

1. He had received a report of mud on the footway in the village which had been reported to highways and had now been cleared.
2. The damaged entrance sign will be replaced by highways.
3. The clerk had been advised that there had been a National Pay Agreement for Clerks which amounts to an increase of 63p per hour (less tax).
4. The CALC subscription for 2025/26 will be £157.22.

126/2024 DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

The were no apologies and no report.

127/2024 PLANNING MATTERS

a) Applications for consultation

FUL/2024/0181	Repairs to existing concrete farmyard Midtown Farm, Hayton, CA7 2PD	No Objection
VAR/2024/0025	Variation to condition 2 on approved application HOU/2021/0232 Hill Crest, Hayton, CA7 2PD	No Objection

b) Decisions

HOU/2024/0134	Installation of external wall insulation 2 Castlesteads, Hayton village, Aspatria, CA7 2PF	Approved with conditions
FUL/2024/0181	Repairs to existing concrete farmyard Midtown Farm, Hayton, Aspatria, CA7 2PD	Approved
VAR/2024/0025	Variation to condition 2 on approved application HOU/2021/0232 Hill Crest, Hayton, Aspatria, CA7 2PD	Approved with conditions

c) Appeals

None

(d) Any other planning related correspondence.

None

128/2024 ACCOUNTS

(i) Balances at: -

13.11.24	Current Account	£1892.86
13.11.24	Deposit Account	£1741.65

(ii) The following accounts were approved for payment: -

T Gear	Clerks Account (Sep[t./Oct.)	£341.39
HMRC	Income Tax (Sept/Oct.)	£69.37
Mike Dowling Cont.	Grass cutting (September)	£372.00
Mike Dowling Cont.	Grass cutting (October)	£186.00

(iii) The clerk had prepared a draft budget for 2025/26 which was discussed, and it was agreed to set the precept at £6,200.00 for 2025/26

129/2024 SPEED OF TRAFFIC THROUGH HAYTON VILLAGE

The main concerns were the road from the A596 to the village which is subject to the national speed limit and has two sharp bends with very little warning. The clerk was asked to bring the council's concerns to the attention of highways.

130/2024 NEWSLETTER

The latest edition of the newsletter had been circulated to residents and was well received.

131/2024 VACANCIES

The clerk had received the resignation of S. Hitchen who was moving out of the area. There are now three vacancies which should be filled by co-option as soon as possible.

132/2024 TYRE PLANTER/HERB PLANTER

The future maintenance was discussed, and enquiries will be made and reported to the next meeting.

133/2024 DOG FOULING

This remains an issue with an article in the next edition of the newsletter.

134/2024 TREES ON THE VILLAGE GREEN.

It is understood the trees will be removed when there are no leaves later in the year.

135/2024 CLIMATE CHANGE

There had been no new information since the last meeting of the council.

136/2024 NOTICEBOARD

The Perspex door is in need of replacement. To be discussed further at the next meeting

137/2024 REPLACEMENT TREES ON THE MOORS

Sixteen saplings of those planted last year had failed. Replacement to be obtained later in the year.

138/2024 VILLAGE GREEN, HAYTON

A discussion took place on the paper prepared by the chair which contained a few suggestions. These will be discussed further at the next meeting when hopefully there will be a fuller council to fully discuss the implications.

139/2024 EMAIL RECEIVED FROM RESIDENT

An e-mail from a resident seeking the adoption of council land, which is also part of the Registered Village Green, to the front of his property had been circulated and was discussed. It was decided that although the resident carries out maintenance over and above that carried out by the council this land has value, forms part of the Registered Village Green and any adoption would set a precedent which could lead denigration of the legal Registered Village Green status entrusted to the council.

140/2024 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Vacancies
Newsletter
Speed of Traffic through Hayton Village
Noticeboard
Village Green
Maintenance of Tyre Planters
Schedule of meeting 2025/26

141/2024 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Wednesday 8th January 2025 at 7.30pm** at Prospect Village Hall, Prospect

The meeting closed at 8.05pm

Signed.....
Chair