

CROSTHWAITE AND LYTH PARISH COUNCIL

Councillors are hereby summoned, and members of the public are invited to attend an Ordinary Meeting of Crosthwaite and Lyth Parish Council to be held on **Monday 02 March 2026 at 7.30pm in the Parish Room, Crosthwaite** for the purposes detailed in the following Agenda:

AGENDA

1. **Apologies:** To note any apologies received and the reasons for absence.
2. **Minutes:** To authorise the Chair to sign the Minutes of the meeting held on 02 February 2026 as a true record.
3. **Declarations of Interest:** To receive Declarations of Interest by Members in respect of items on the Agenda (*Members are reminded that it is a criminal offence not to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest either in the Register or at the meeting*).
4. **Requests for Dispensation:** The Clerk to report any requests received since the previous meeting for dispensations to speak and/or vote on any matter where a Member has a disclosable pecuniary interest.
5. **Chair's Announcements:** To receive any announcements from the Chair.
6. **Public Participation:** Members of the public will be given the opportunity to speak, ask questions or raise matters of interest regarding items on this Agenda.
7. **Reports**
 - a) To receive reports from Councillors attending events or meetings not otherwise on the Agenda.
 - b) To receive a report on any relevant matters from the Westmorland and Furness Councillor.
 - c) To receive any relevant information from Cumbria Police.
8. **Planning**
 - a) **Applications Received:** To note that no new planning applications have been received from LDNPA since the date of the last meeting.
 - b) **Applications Received since publishing the Agenda:** To be advised if applicable.
 - c) **Responses:** To note that no responses were submitted to LDNPA following consideration by the Parish Council.
 - d) To note decisions on planning applications notified by LDNPA since the last meeting: (ACON = Approved with Conditions)
 - i) 7/2025/5676: **Ghyll Head Farm, Crosthwaite, LA8 8JB:** Conversion of remaining section of the attached barn and replacement of existing link extension. No objection from C&LPC. ACON 19/02/2026
 - e) Other planning matters – To note the following:
 - i) APP/Q9495/X/25/3376174 - **Plum Tree Cottage, Lyth LA8 8DD: Appeal** against refusal of Change of Use of land to a garden. C&LPC opinion (no objection subject to conditions) submitted to Planning Inspectorate 16/02/2026.
 - ii) Schedule of Other Developments: (Schedule to be circulated).
9. **Highways and Footpaths**
 - a) To consider any matters not raised in the report from Westmorland & Furness Council.
 - b) Crosthwaite and Lyth Speed Reduction Project: To receive an update.
 - c) Public Transport: To note any subsequent developments (on the provision of a bus service etc).
10. **Trees, Woods, Hedges & Grass**
 - a) Trees and Woods:
 - i) Orchard, Jubilee Wood: To receive an update on the creation of a community orchard.
 - ii) Lyth Valley Damsons – community cooperative / Plum Sunday etc: To receive an update from Cllr. Harnby.
 - b) Hedges and Grass: To note any developments / requirements.
11. **Parish Land**
 - a) Leases / Rents: To note the circulation of new leases and revised rents for Parish land with effect from 01 April 2026
 - b) Maintenance of Parish Assets including the Parish Room. Verbal Report.
 - c) Managing Assets: To note the change of date for this training course to 04 March (Clerk to attend).
12. **Annual Litter Pick:** To note arrangements for the Annual Litter Pick

- 13. Annual Parish Meeting:** To confirm arrangements including date, venue, format and invitees.
- 14. Crosthwaite & Lyth Parish Council Strategic Plan:**
- a) To receive feedback on the format and content of the draft Strategic Plan (previously circulated).
 - b) To note any proposals for a further meeting of neighbouring parish councils.
- 15. Finance:**
- a) Receipts: To note there have been no receipts other than investment income since the last meeting.
 - b) Receipts since publishing the agenda: To note if applicable.
 - c) Npower: To note the Npower payment for January 2026: £ 67.68
 - d) Payments: To approve the following payments:
 - i. M R Curry - Salary and expenses February 2026: £ 487.82
 - ii. HMRC – PAYE and NIC on above salary: £ 130.02
 - e) To approve any payments due since publishing the agenda.
 - f) Financial Risk Assessment: To receive and approve the 2026/27 Financial Risk Assessment.
 - g) To note the bank balance at 31 January 2026 and authorise the Chair to counter-sign the bank statement.
- 16. Governance:**
- a) Assertion 10: To receive a report on progress with implementation of the requirements of Assertion 10 (digital and data protection responsibilities).
 - b) Progress with adoption of new email addresses.
 - c) Councillor vacancy: To agree actions to fill the current vacancy.
- 17. Correspondence:** To note any other correspondence received and not included as part of an item on this Agenda and decide on any necessary action.
- a) Updates from CALC and other Agencies previously circulated on various regional initiatives, training opportunities etc.
 - b) To consider any specific items of correspondence received not otherwise dealt with on this Agenda.
 - c) To note any correspondence received since publishing the Agenda.
- 18. To note any items 'For Information' – No decisions or action permitted**
- 19. Councillor's issues to be Raised – No discussion to take place on these matters but will be placed on the next Agenda.**

Date of the Next Meeting – To note that the next meeting would normally be held on Monday 06 April which is a bank holiday (Easter Monday) and to Agree an alternative date for the April meeting.

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