

MILNTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the normal monthly meeting of Milnthorpe Parish Council held on Monday 3rd of November 2025. The meeting was held in the Church Hall on Haverflatts Lane and commenced at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllrs Steve Hurst, Jim Robson, Clare Lachmann, Roger Bingham, Pete Hill (Vice Chair), Michael Thompson and Julie Mulinga.

1. Apologies for Absence

- Cllrs Capasso. Accepted

2. Minutes of the meeting held on the 6th of October 2025.

- These were **APPROVED** and were signed.

3. Announcements by the Chair

- None

4. Declaration of Interest by Members on items on the agenda

- None.

5. Public Participation

5.1 Westmorland & Furness Council (Cllr Audland)

- None

5.2 Any matters on this agenda that electors wish to raise with the Parish Council

- None

6. Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting on the 1st of October 2025

6.1 Toilets – Update (6.1)

- All sorted with one utility provider to be changed to W&F
- To be removed from agenda

6.2 Leasgill Quarry Fund Grants (6.3)

- Grant received for work carried out on the Memorial
- Cllrs Bingham and Thompson attend the meeting of the LQF Trustees and confirmed that the new grant requests had been agreed as was the request to extend the time for the 24/25 agreed grant for a new bench. Clerk has not yet received formal communication and will report back when this is received.

6.3 20mph Update

- W&F have agreed the proposed 20mph speed limit, and it will progress to the next stage, which is a further consultation period

6.4 State of Parish Council Land

- The Chair mentioned that he had received feedback that there were areas of the playing field where rubbish was accumulating. The Clerk was asked to email the tenants to remind them of the requirement to keep the area in good order

6.5 Remembrance Sunday

- Attendees to meet at 14:30 with the parade commencing at 14:50
- Wreaths and Bugler arranged
- Soldiers have been put in place
- Poppy to be put on the Green if weather allows
- Donation to be made to the British Legion

7. New matters for consideration

- None

8. Planning Matters:

8.1 New Planning applications and SLDC decisions received.

- A few concerns were raised about the application for a further agricultural building at High Field, Ackenthwaite. Clerk to respond appropriately to the planning department

8.2 Any related matters including Beetham Road development

- Formal notice of the closure of the path to the development land has been received.

9. Financial Matters

9.1 Report on bank receipts, payments and closing balances.

- Distributed, all agreed. See Appendix A

9.2 Any other Financial Matters

- None

10. Market Report

- Distributed. See Appendix B
- It was noted that the Grisedales retire in December after 50 years attending the market

11. To consider matters from around the Parish.

- Cllr Bingham expressed his disappointment in the road names for the new housing development. He will write, on a personal basis, to the Westmorland Gazette. It was pointed out that the PC suggestions were not agreed because the potential confusion for the emergency and postal services. Whilst disappointing, this had been understood and accepted by the PC.
- Cllr Hill mentioned that he had previously been liaising with a Belgian family about one of our residents. He had shared and created videos etc. to allow communication to take place. Sadly, our resident died over the weekend, Cllr Hill will inform the Belgian family
- Cllr Robson mentioned that the barrier at the Memorial Hall was still in place. Cllr Hurst will speak to members of the Memorial Hall committee.
- Cllr Robson also mentioned that a slab had broken on the playing field (between the play area and the old tennis court. Cllr Hurst to repair
- Cllr Robson mentioned that the 3 walls surrounding the Church are in a poor state of repair and require expensive work to be carried out. It had been determined that the cause were two trees whose roots were causing damage. These trees, which DO NOT have a Tree Preservation Order, are to be removed. The walls will be repaired when funds allow with work on the first one commencing in 2026.
- Cllr Adair mentioned a resident had mentioned that deliberately poor driving that has been taking place at Dallam School roundabout. This has resulted in a dog being knocked down. The resident requested that traffic calming measures are put in place to slow cars approaching the roundabout. Cllr Adair pointed the resident in the direction of Highways at W&F Council. The Parish Council were supportive in the attempt to combat the problem.
- Cllr Hurst gave his thanks to Lesley for clearing the area around the War Memorial.

12. To receive notice of items to be included on the agenda of the next meeting.

- None

13. Date of next scheduled meeting

- Monday 1st of December 2025. This will follow the Market Traders Meeting take place at the Church Hall on Haverflatts Lane

The meeting closed at 19:46

Paul Blackburn Clerk

November 2025

APPENDIX A

Milnthorpe Parish Council October 2025 Financial Report

Payments

Type	Description	Supplier	Net	VAT	Total
DD	Guard Fuel Card	UK Fuels Ltd	£6.50	£1.30	£7.80
DD	Council Tax	W&F	£60.00	£0.00	£60.00
DD	Planter Maintenance etc	Dave Mason	£254.09	£0.00	£254.09
IB	Toilet Payment System Closure	Nayax	£18.83	£0.00	£18.83
IB	Staff Costs	Staff/HMRC	£1,867.91	£0.00	£1,867.91
IB	Maintenance Contract	Atkinson's	£408.33	£81.67	£490.00
DD	Pillar 1 Electricity	Eon	£70.16	£3.51	£73.67
DD	Toilet Water	Water Plus	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
DD	Toilet Electricity	Npower	£45.32	£2.27	£47.59
DD	Pillar 3 Electricity	Eon	£16.80	£0.84	£17.64
		Total	£2,792.50	£89.59	£2,882.09

Receipts

Description	Supplier	Total
Market Rents	Market Traders	£205.40
LQF Grant	LQF	£325.00
Parking Discs	Morrisons	£84.50
	Total	£614.90

Current Account Balance - £5,570.83

Deposit Account Balance - £54,361.81

Total - £59,932.64

APPENDIX B

MARKET REPORT

October 2025

1. Rent received of £205.40
 2. Parking Discs income of £84.50
- Total - £289.90

Paul Blackburn

Parish Clerk
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