

MILNTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the normal monthly meeting of Milnthorpe Parish Council held on Monday 3rd of March 2025. The meeting was held in the Church Hall on Haverflatts Lane and commenced at 7.08pm.

Present: Cllrs Steve Hurst, Roger Bingham, Peter Capasso, Pete Hill (Vice Chair), Julie Mulinga, Barbara Adair and Michael Thompson. Cllr Audland (part).

1. Apologies for Absence

- Cllr Claire Lachmann, and Paul Blackburn (clerk) gave apologies which were accepted by the Council

2. Minutes of the meeting held on the 3th of February 2025.

- These were **APPROVED** and will be signed at the April Parish Council meeting.

3. Announcements by the Chair

- Trinity Church has asked to run an Easter Trail on Easter Saturday 8am to 1pm. This will include signage. All insurances are in place.
- Sarah Bowers is running a Craft and Cake stall on the green on Friday 14 March in aid of Motor Neurone Disease. A request to park on the Green was discussed. Although the Councillors are supportive of the cause, it was felt that they couldn't publicly endorse parking on the Green due to the Road Closure restrictions on Fridays. Also, there would be no safe access with the barriers in place.

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

- Steve Hurst on The Stands.

5. Public Participation

5.1 Westmorland & Furness Council (Cllr Audland)

- Cllr Audland updated MPC on the latest planning application at The Cross Keys. He acknowledged it was a very tight design, and parking could be an issue. He expects it to go to planning not before the April meeting. However, any comments must be registered to W&F by 13 March 2025. Cllr Bingham hopes the frontage, and windows will be protected. Cllr Mulinga was surprised that only 2 social housing flats were planned out of 18.

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

- None present.

6. Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting on the 3th of February 2025

6.1 Toilets – to be retained or returned (6.1)

- February saw an income of £90, whilst costs were £1050. MPC are still awaiting contact from W&F regarding ownership etc. Councillors expressed concern of a backlash if they were to be closed

6.2 The Strands (7.2)

- A vote was taken, with a majority in favour of commencing with the work to repair the road damage on The Strands. Hopefully, costs to the 3 clubs using the junction can be kept to a minimum with possible funding from item 6.4. It was suggested that the payment was made "without Prejudice".

6.3 Street names (7.3)

- MPC find this very frustrating. Cllr Bingham is to write a letter regarding the history of the area.

6.4 Machinery Equipment Valuations

- There may be a possible purchaser of the mower.

7. New matters for consideration

7.1 20mph speed limit

- This was again deferred to the next meeting as nobody from W&F attended

7.2 Street Signs

- Cllr Bingham - ongoing
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8. Planning Matters:

8.1 New Planning applications and SLDC decisions received.

- The Cross Keys – Discussed above

8.2 Any related matters including Beetham Road development

- Discussed above

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

11. To consider matters from around the Parish.

- Cllr Bingham noticed gaps in the Daffodil survey
- Cllr Adair noted the length of time Paradise Road has been close, and added nearby verges were in a bad state due to tractors

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

- None

13. Date of next scheduled meeting

- Monday 7th of April 2025. This will take place at the Church Hall on Haverflatts Lane at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 20:15

Peter Hill

Vice Chair

March 2025

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APPENDIX A

Milnthorpe Parish Council February 2025

Payments

Type	Description	Supplier	Net	VAT	Total
DD	Guard Fuel Card	UK Fuels Ltd	£0.60	£0.10	£0.60
DD	Bank Charge	HSBC	£5.80	£0.00	£5.80
IB	Payroll Admin	Athena	£200.00	£0.00	£200.00
IB	Staff Costs	Staff/HMRC	£1,427.41	£0.00	£1,427.41
IB	Maintenance Contract	Atkinson's	£408.33	£81.67	£490.00
IB	Toilet Maintenance	Danfo	£725.00	£145.00	£870.00
DD	Toilet Water	Water Plus	£42.03	£0.00	£42.03
DD	Toilet Electricity	Npower	£43.98	£2.20	£46.18
IB	CCTV Service	Bedroq	£166.82	£33.37	£200.19
Total			£3,019.87	£262.34	£3,282.21

Receipts

Description	Supplier	Total
Market Rents	Market Traders	£205.40
Toilet Income	Nayax	£81.60
Total		£287.00

Transfer into Deposit Account - £10,000.00

Current Account Balance - £9,687.34

Deposit Account Balance - £43,663.94

Total - £53,351.28

APPENDIX B

MARKET REPORT February 2025

1. Rent received of £205.40
2. Toilet Income of £81.60 received

Paul Blackburn
Parish Clerk
February 2025