

Lamplugh Parish Council [370-Jul]

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The Ordinary Meeting of Lamplugh Parish Council was held on Wednesday 15th July 2026, 7.00pm, in Lamplugh Village Hall.

Parish Councillors in attendance: Roger Braithwaite (Chair), Paul Wilson, Andrew Smith, Mike Meeks

Also Present: Susan Stuart (Clerk); Two members of the Public

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1. The Chair welcomed all to the meeting.

- Apologies for absence were noted from Cllr Maisey, Cllr Surman and Cllr Whitaker
- There were no resignations and no co-options to note.
- Declarations of interest were received from Cllr Braithwaite on planning applications.

2. Minutes of the meeting held on 20th May 2026 were discussed.

- The minutes were agreed, the Chair signed as a true and accurate record.

3. Public Participation Slot – Two members of the public attended the meeting.

- A member of the public about the litter bin at the end of the footpath near the village hall. This was reported to Cumberland but a worker had said that it was no longer covered by Cumberland Council. This was missed off the list and has now been rectified, so it will be emptied regularly from now on.

4. Correspondence to review to 18th March 2026

- An email was received regarding the Bus Reform Pilot Study. There is a questionnaire to be filled out by the 20th July. Cllr Braithwaite will discuss this with Cllr Surman and provide feedback.
- An update of Cumberland Local Plan timetable was received, this was noted by the councillors.
- An email was sent to inform of the new LDNPA Chair appointment, this was noted by the councillors.
- An email was received about a road signage issue. This has been reported to Highways previously. Cllr Wilson went to inspect it on the day of the meeting. Cumberland have claimed to have no responsibility for the signs, but the back of the signs say Cumberland Council. Cllr Wilson will take this up with Cumberland Council.
- A letter was received from Tarmac introducing themselves, they have recently taken over ownership of the local quarries. It was agreed to invite a representative from Tarmac to attend our September parish council meeting.
- An email was received regarding Village Heat Share, this was noted but there were no known plans for sites for renewable energy in the village.
- Information was received regarding the new plans for Murton Fell, the land has been purchased recently and will be part of a scheme of woodland and scrub creation. Cllr Meeks will contact to ask for further details regarding planting of trees, etc.

5. Financial Matters:

- The Clerk commented that she isn't receiving bank statements from Cumberland Building Society; she has gone into her local branch to ask about this and Cumberland will look into it. Instead of statements, the Clerk had a print off of all transactions.
- To note the balance held in the building society confirmed with statement as

Chair to Sign.....

- **Statement No. 102** dated 31st May 2026 – start balance £27,171.40, end balance £25,783.22; money in £0, money out £2,224.36.
- **Statement No. 103** dated 30th June 2026 – start balance £25,783.22, end balance £22,230.17; money in £0, money out £3,553.05.
- **Schedule of Income and Expenditure** were discussed and agreed, there were no cheques signed between meetings, cheques as agreed on the schedule were signed at the meeting.

Cheque No	Description	Item	Amount
258	Kirkland Mission	Room Hire Inv CA1900	£25.00
259	Lamplugh Village Hall	Room Hire INV 522	£30.00
260	Susan Stuart	Salary (June/July)	£836.16
260	Susan Stuart	WFH Allowance (June/July)	£52.00
		TOTAL	£943.16

- It was agreed that going forward the Lamplugh Village Hall room hire costs will be paid once a year in March, instead of several times throughout the year.

6. Planning- Applications/Decisions

- **Ref 7/2025/4077 - Dockray Meadow.** Following the panel with LDNPA, the outcome of this application was it was refused. This was refused because of the tourism element of the application. There has been no appeal on this application as of the current date. It is currently unclear what will happen to the site going forward.
- **Ref 4/26/2224/0F1 - Creation of vehicular access (Resubmission of 4/26/2110/0F1) - Kirkland Chapel, Kirkland.** No objections.
- **Ref 4/26/2188/0F1 - Renewal of surfacing to concrete yard - Woodend Lodge, Lamplugh.** No objections were noted to this application.
- **Ref 4/26/2207/0F1 - Erection of covered slurry pit with machinery/crop store - Greensykes Farm, Lamplugh.** No objections were noted.
- **4/21/2187/0F1 and 4/21/2188/0F1 – Land to South of Whinnah Cottages, Lamplugh.** No further enforcement notices have been issued on the container business. The decision notice was noted in June with stipulations of no night time work on the site. The timetable has been set out for the next period, ending in the first week of June 2027.

7. Parish Matters/Business

- **Winder Noticeboard.** Cllr Wilson has repaired the Winder noticeboard, so there is no need to purchase a new noticeboard. It was noted that a member of the village has now painted the phone box.
- **Grant application thanks.** Emails were received from the village hall and church, thanking the parish council for their donations made in May 2026.
- **Certificate of Exemption confirmation.** An email was received from Moore, who deal with the annual accounts for Cumbria parish councils, to confirm that the Certificate of Exemption was received.
- **Removal of home addresses.** An email was received from Democracy Services advising that home addresses should be removed for all councillors. The Clerk has removed all home addresses on the website.

- **Contact Newsletter:** Contact Magazine is not published in August, Cllr Braithwaite will arrange information for the next issue.

9. Upcoming Meetings/Meetings attended. None

- 10. Items for the next agenda.** To be received by the clerk by 10th September 2026.
- 11. To note the date for the next Ordinary Meeting.** The next meeting is on 16th September 2026 at 7.00pm at Lamplugh Village Hall. Cllrs Braithwaite and Smith will be unavailable for the September meeting.

Meeting closed at 19.54