

BLAWITH & SUBBERTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on
Monday 16th March 2026
Water Yeat Village Hall

Present: Cllr B Fox, Cllr V Grant and Cllr M Kiziuk
Also present C Adams (Parish clerk)

- 020/26 Apologies**
Resolved to accept apologies from Cllr M Giles.
- 021/26 Requests for Dispensations**
Resolved to note that there were no requests for dispensations.
- 022/26 Declarations of Interest**
Resolved to note Cllr Kiziuk declared an interest in planning application number: T/2025/0246 which is included in item 10 Planning Applications.
- 023/26 Minutes**
Resolved for the Chair to sign the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 12th January 2026 as a true record.
- 024/26 Public Participation**
- a) Cllr Suzanne Pender was in attendance and will respond to the Community Governance Review reflecting Blawith & Subberthwaite Parish Council's preference of formally grouping with Lowick Parish Council.
Advised that Westmorland and Furness Community Grants are still available.
A local gritting scheme (comprised of a few parish council) is going really well.
Concern was raised with Cllr Pender regarding the funding to help people with Heating Oil and LPG bills. Westmorland and Furness will be tasked with distribution of the funding which is coming from central government. Cllr Pender was asked to feed back to Westmorland and Furness that when they distribute the funds it should be in line with the energy process cap and there should not be any discrimination among users.
 - b) Local police were not in attendance.
 - c) No residents were in attendance.
- 025/26 Community Governance Review**
Resolved to respond to the review with a preference to informal grouping with Lowick Parish Council.
- 026/26 Community Resilience**
- a) **Resolved** to note that the questionnaire has now been finalised. It will now be printed and sent out to residents. It will also be put on the website and sent to Lowick Paris Council.
 - b) Community Resilience Pilot.
Resolved to note that the Parish Council do not wish to be considered for the pilot scheme.

- 027/26 Diana Memorial**
Resolved to purchase a plaque in memory of Diana to match the plaque of her husband which is need of a little attention which we will also look into.
- 028/26 Speed Limit**
Resolved to request Highways to consider reducing the speed limit form the Blawith sign past Crake Valley and the gravel car park.
- 029/26 Planning Applications (Planning applications can be viewed on the relevant authority's website):**
Resolved to note the following:
Acknowledgement of Complaint
 Land lying south of Brown Howe, Water Yeat, Cumbria
- Planning Applications Granted**
Ref no: 7/2025/5511
Location: Low Water End, Water Yeat, Ulverston, LA12 8DN
Proposal: Conversion of existing barn to form ancillary accommodation
- General Permitted Development**
Application: 7/2026/5049
Location: Pict Hall, Blawith, Ulverston, LA12 8EQ
Proposal: Bridge over existing private way
- Consent Notice for Work to Protected Trees**
Application Number: T/2025/0246
Location: Crake Valley Park Water Yeat Ulverston LA12 8DL
- 030/26 Assertion 10**
 a) **Resolved** to note the requirements of assertion 10 most of which we have in place with the exception of an IT Policy.
 b) **Resolved** that Cllr Kizuuk will draft an IT policy suitable for this parish council for adoption at the AGM in May using the template from NALC.
- 031/26 Website**
Resolved to note that work has started on the website, mainly removing old content. Cllr Grant has provided items of historical interest which will be added to the website. Content will be checked with the transparency code and assertion 10 to ensure we meet current legal requirements.
- 032/26 Correspondence to note**
Resolved to note correspondence from:
 a) LDNP (Parish Council engagement plan)
 b) Coniston Water Association (Meeting Minutes)
 c) The Environment Agency (Sunny Bank Weir)
- 033/26 Financial Matters**
Resolved to pay the following payments:
 Salary £150.60 (Gross, March)
 Salary £150.60 (Gross, April)

Water Year Village Hall	£ 30.00
Bank Charges	£ 7.00
HMRC	(Amount to be confirmed)

034/26 Working from home allowance

Resolved to note that from April 2026 the working from home allowance can no longer be coded into the clerk's tax code. The Council will pay their share of the £26 per month allowance. The amounts will depend on how many councils have the same clerk and the amount will be adjusted according as and when necessary.

035/26 Internal Audit

Resolved to appoint Charlene Iredale as internal audit for the financial year ended 31 March 2026.

036/26 Training

Resolved to note there are no training requirements this month.

037/26 Councillors Reports

Cllr Fox reported he had attended a meeting about off roaders. He advised the police want incidents reported to them on 101 using the reference Operation Lantern.

038/26 Date of Next Meeting

Resolved to note the next meeting is Monday 11TH May 2026 at Water Yeat Village Hall at 19.00pm and will be the Parish Council AGM.

Meeting Closed.