

# SEDGWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Councillors are hereby summoned, and members of the public are invited to attend  
the Meeting of the Parish Council to be held on  
Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 7.30pm Venue, Sedgwick Village Hall

## A G E N D A

1. **Apologies** - to receive apologies with reasons for given absence beforehand.
2. **Minutes** - authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2023 as a true record.
3. **Declarations of Interest**  
To receive declarations of interest by members in respect of items on this 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).  
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.
4. **Public Participation**  
Members of the public will be given the opportunity to speak, ask questions or raise matters of interest regarding this agenda in accordance with the Standing Orders
  - a) To discuss the "Village Green" following an enquiry from a member of the Parish. Permission for grass cutting schedule.
5. **Reports**
  - a) To receive a report on behalf of Kendal Police Updates/Community Newsletter/Online StreetSafe Reporting
  - b) To receive any relevant matters from Cllr D Rathbone - Westmorland & Furness Council
  - c) To receive report from the Village Hall Committee
6. **Planning**  
To receive and consider any planning applications which have been submitted to –or granted by – SLDC since the last meeting. NONE
7. **Highways/Footpaths** - to receive and consider any Highways/Footpaths matters.
  - a) To receive the monthly highways report and update of dates of repairs- Cllr A Holmes
  - b) To discuss the exact 20mph zone.
  - c) To report the cost of SID's reported by Cllr J Brook.
8. **Playground / Millennium Field** – to receive and consider any matters regarding the Playground/Millennium Field.
  - a) Monthly Safety Report- verbal report Cllr G Stoker.
  - b) To discuss the annual ROSPA report which was received on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023.
9. **Fundraising & Events**
  - a) Equipment Replacement- update costing/fundraising/equipment- report Cllr W Burrow and Cllr V Macconnell.
  - b) Discuss options for funding and play equipment sent over by Cllr J Brook.
10. **Training**
  - a) Cllr B Holmes participated in the Chairs Forum Course.
  - b) CALC Training. The Clerk will attend the Clerks Forum on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January 1.30 & Finance Training is booked for Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30.
  - c) Clerk Induction
  - d) New Government Pay Scales for Clerk
10. **Canal**
  - a) Monthly report by Cllr B Holmes
  - b) Monitoring of use of the Canal Path
  - c) Discuss the LCRP Canal Feasibility Study.
  - d) CRT installation of the artwork- update. To discuss mail received re way markers and feature signs.
  - e) Canal Management Plan. To discuss the following.  
Are we in favour of widening the path? agree reasoning  
Do we wish to open the path on the opposite side? agree reasoning  
Are we in favour of improving the easy and steep path?  
What do we want the path to look like in 10 years?
  - f) Openreach Exposed Cable. Cllr Stoker has been asked to speak to the engineers if possible.
  - g) To discuss and order new signage re dog poo.

- h) To discuss any updates on the stone wall repairs. Vandalism of the wall has been reported to Cumbria Police – Ref CRI00198642. Letter received from Mr Simpson.

**11. Website/social media;** verbal report by Cllr Holmes

**12. Policies & Procedures**

- a) To Update Code of Conduct received from CALC

**13. Finance**

- a) To receive and note bank balance as of 29/09/2023 Current = £11185.22 Reserve = £tbc  
b) To approve payments: Treescapes Consultancy Ltd. £61.62, CALC Training £5.00, Parish Clerks Salary Aug/Sept/Oct £614.18, Parish Clerks Expenses £116.35, HMRC PAYE £154.72, ROSPA £127.80, Sedgwick Village Hall Hire Charge £69.00 (May, July x2, Sept) **Increase of £3 per meeting**, James Park £1030.00, Continental Landscapes (grass cutting) £499.20  
c) Sign the accounts agreed on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2023 and cleared the bank account.  
d) Six Month budget Review.

**14. Winter Newsletter**

- a) To confirm the topics for the next newsletter are to include fundraising & events, cold callers, D-Day celebrations, 20mph zone, digital switch over of telephones, Stoker Seat.

**15. D-Day Event Planning - 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 6<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

- a) To discuss events and information from CALC and any update from a joint project with Stainton.

**16. To receive items for consideration for a future agenda**

- a) To set the Parish Precept for 2024/2025.

**17. Correspondence** All received and distributed.

**18. Open Action not covered elsewhere on the agenda.**

- a) To discuss the potential merger of Crosscrake Church.  
b) Parish Council Elections Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2024.

**19. Date of Next Meeting** – to confirm the date of the next meeting will be **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024**. The meetings will commence at 7.30pm which will be held in the Sedgwick Village Hall.

*Additional items requested by councillors may, at the discretion of the clerk be added to this agenda in advance of the meeting or deferred to item 15. Please contact the clerk immediately if there is such a request.  
In accordance with standing orders, the decision of the clerk is final.*

R Harrison – Clerk to the Council

**Public Participation Guidance**

***Each member of the public is entitled to speak once in respect of each matter and for up to 3 minutes with 10 minutes being allocated overall for the Public Participation section. These limits may be extended at the discretion of the chairman. Comments must be addressed through the chair. The Chairman will decide in which order matters will be heard and whether an immediate response may be given at the meeting or arrangements made to respond or discuss the matter further at a later date. Questions and comments and responses will be minuted concisely.  
To comply with privacy and data protection advice, individuals participating or named during this section will not be named in the minutes.***

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