

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Lupton Parish Council held at The Plough, Lupton, on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2025 at 8pm.

Present were Councillors Stewart Lambert (Chairman), Alan Lambert, Robin Nicholson, Simon Nutter and Derek Wightman, three members of the public and Parish Clerk Kevin Price.

#### **25/10 Election of Chairman:**

Councillor Stewart Lambert was elected Chairman for 2025-26. He then signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

#### **25/11 Appointment of Vice-Chairman:**

Councillor Derek Wightman was appointed Vice-Chairman for 2025-26

#### **25/12 Requests for Dispensations: None.**

#### **25/13 Declarations of Interest:**

There were no Declarations of Interest made in respect of any matters on the agenda.

#### **25/14 Minutes:**

The minutes of the meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2025, having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

#### **25/15 Finance:**

*a. It was resolved to pay the following accounts:*

Zurich Municipal	TBA	
CALC	£139.49	Annual subscription
Water Plus	£294.84	Water charge for the Parish Field
K M Price	£118.21	Quarterly expenses to 31 <sup>st</sup> March, Including us of home office and travel

*b. The Interim Accounts for 2024-25 were noted.*

*c. The Chairman and Clerk were authorised to sign the Certificate of Exemption from Annual Audit, the Annual Governance Statement and the Accounting Statement. The Clerk explained the significance of each document.*

#### **25/16 Planning:**

*The following application was discussed and approval recommended:*

2025/0719/FPA Field, Gate & Track at Foulstone Lupton Alterations to existing access and associated works following grant of planning permission SL/2023/0721

**25/17 Parish defibrillator:**

The provision of two defibrillators would be preferable. The Chairman will make enquires regarding any funding that might be available.

**25/18 Open Forum:**

- a. A number of potholes need to be reported (again).
- b. A possible footpath from Box Tree Lane end to The Plough could be a future project for the Council, and the Community Infrastructure Levy monies could be used for this purpose. The Clerk will make initial enquiries via Helen Karasslan at Westmorland & Furness Council.

**25/19 Date and place of the next meeting:**

***Monday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2025 at 7.30pm at The Plough, Lupton.***

*The meeting closed at 8.30pm.*

*Signed:*

*Dated:*