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Minutes of Annual General and May Meeting Held on Thursday 21st May 2026 in the Braithwaite Room, Langwathby Village Hall commencing at 7.30pm. Following the Annual Parish Meeting

Unapproved

20/26 Election of Council Chairman 2026/2027
Cllr D Banks was unanimously elected as Chairman for the year 2026/2027.
Proposed by Cllr. M Holliday.
Seconded by Cllr J Hodgson

21/26 Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office
Cllr D Banks duly signed the 'Declaration of Acceptance of Office' form.

22/26 Election of a Vice Chairman for Council Year 2026/2027
Resolved that Cllr K Little be unanimously re-elected as Vice-Chairman for the year 2026/2027
Proposed by Cllr D Banks
Seconded by Cllr M Holliday

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23/26 Present
Cllrs D Banks, K Little, C Merrie, J Hodgson, M Holiday and WAF Cllr M Handley, Parish Clerk J Fleming.
There were no members of the public present.

24/26 Apologies
Cllrs J Corbishley, C Wilson, C Eland. and WAF Cllr M Robinson

25/26 Minutes
The Chairman was authorized to sign the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on the 22nd May 2025 and the Council meeting of the 19th March 2026, as a true record.
Proposed by Cllr K Little
Seconded by Cllr C Merrie.

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26/26 Declarations of Interest
Cllrs K Little declared her positions on the Langwathby Public Hall Management Committee
Cllrs D Banks and M Holliday declared their positions on the Langwathby Village Hall Renovation Committee.

27/26 Exclusion of Press and Public (Public bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960)
To decide whether there any agenda items which require consideration for the exclusion of the press and public. (Reference agenda Item 18) – Grants and Honorariums)
There being no members of the public present this action was deemed unnecessary

28/26 Public Participation
There was none.

29/26 WAFC Cllr Report
Cllr Michael Hanley Reported on: -
Eden Locality Board – Noted that there were 800 empty houses in the Eden area.
A66 upgrade – An update
Appleby Fair – Arrangement changes for 2026
'Get Britain Working initiative' – WAFC had available £11m to support mental health issues under the control of GP's

30/26 Appointment of Representatives to Committees

30.1 Resolved that Cllrs K Little and C Wilson be unanimously reappointed to continue on the **Langwathby Public Hall Committee** for 2026/2027, with Cllr D Banks replacing Cllr C Henderson, who had resigned, from the Council.

30.2 Confirmed that Cllrs D Banks, C Eland, and M Holliday, along with, J Fleming, Parish Clerk, be reappointed onto the **Langwathby Village Hall Renovation Committee.**

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31/26 Finance-

31.1 To note the following balances as at

	31/3/2026	**13/5/2025**
	£	**£**
Vat to be claimed	7638.59	7638.59
Penrith Building Society	13299.01	32299.01
Barclays – Current Account	10220.87	3479.20
Total assets	31,158.47	43,416.80

31.2 Presentation and Approval of the 31th March 2026 Year End Accounts
Proposer Cllr J Hodgson
Seconder Cllr D Banks

31.3 Presentation and Approval of Interim Accounts since 31st March 2026
Proposer Cllr K Little
Seconder Cllr D Banks

31 4 Accounts to be Ratified:

J Fleming Salary March/ April.	As per contract
John Fleming Office Provision March April	60.00
Angela Hartland PAYE Year end Queries	31.50
Room Hire. 19th March 26	22.50
Playground Inspection Company. (Edenhall)	106.20
Insurance Extra Premium Langwathby playground	102.82
Angela Hartland – PAYE Year Start up	22.50
Kompan Langwathby Playground	45705.34

31.5 To Agree the Following Payment

38.5.1 Clerks Expenses to 21st May 2026	44.70
38.5.2 Internal Auditor Fee –	165.00

31.6 To Authorize Items 38.4 and 38.5
Proposer Cllr D Banks
Seconder Cllr C Merrie

31.7 To Note the Following Receipts:

Precept	18000.00
Pin Fee – Edenhall	1.00
Wayleave	73.19

31.8 Transfer from Current Account to PBS 8000.00 and 16500

31.9 To Approve and Sign Annual Governance Documents 2025 /2026
Proposer Cllr K Little
Seconder Cllr J Hodgson

31.10 Online Banking Authorisation 2026/2027
Proposer Cllr D Banks
Seconder Cllr M Holliday

31.11 To Review Asset Register for 2026/2027
Proposer Cllr C Merrie
Seconder Cllr D Banks

31.12 To Review the Risk Assessment and Financial Arrangements for 2026/2027
Proposer Cllr K Little
Seconder Cllr D Banks

31.13 Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer –
To agree increased in line with NALC recommendations for 2026/2027
Proposer Cllr D Banks
Seconder Cllr M Holliday
(Note. Contract is based on 8hrs per week on the NALC National Salary Scale Point 21).

31.14 Insurance
It was confirmed that current insurance agreement is on contract up to 13th February 2028,
The Public Hall is insured for £1,685,190
Current Insurance Premium being £2728.23

32/26 Planning Application
2026 0605 HOU. Old Headmasters House Culgaith Road Langwathby. Installation of an electric vehicle charge point on the East elevation wall of the dwelling, as part of Westmorland and Furness Council's EV Pavement Channel Trial. **No Comment**

2026/0755/FPA. Atherstone Langwathby. Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) for design amendments, addition of solar panels and a lean to extension, attached to approval 19/0393 (Conversion of existing barn to two storey residential dwelling and associated yard to garden). **Supported**

33/26 Highways and Land Matters

33.1 Edenhall Carriageway Flooding – Sports Field Area
The problems causing this issue are not straight forward and are still being addressed by Highways.

33.2 Traffic Issues – Salkeld Road, Langwathby. In hand with Highways

33.3 Double Yellow Lines from the A686 junction on the A6412 to Culgaith.
Reported that Double Yellow lines had been painted, however they had not been extended to the wicket gate, as requested by the Council.
Action: - To request that Highways consider extending the length of the lines towards the wicket gate, in order to further improve visibility.

33.4 Langwathby Recycling Centre – Relocation – Issue still unresolved.

33.5 Carriageway Flooding by the Langwathby Bus Shelter.
Work had been undertaken and completed

33.6 Concrete Slit Drain – Salkeld Road, Langwathby. In hand with highways.

33.7 Potholes Salkeld Road – Numerous potholes on Salkeld Road through to Briggle Beck and beyond.
Reported that potholes had been attended to.

33.8 Footpath Obstruction – Overgrown Branches By Eden House, Edenhall.
Action; - To approach owner to request that pruning is undertaken.

33.9 Langwathby Bank Top Litter Bin. – The request for another or larger bin had been turned down by WAFC.
Action: - Agreed to question this decision. WAF Cllr M Hanley offer to take up the matter with WAFC.

34/26 Place Action Group

34.1 Rural Housing Survey Consultation Document - To be published shortly.

34.2 Langwathby Bridge Feasibility Study
Issue under consideration by WAFC.

35/26 Council Vacancy Following Resignation of Councillor C Henderson
Action: - Chairman agreed try and engender community spirit by placing a piece in the Memo encouraging Parishioner to consider putting themselves forward to serve on the Parish Council. It being a case that **'Your Council Needs You!!'**

36/26 Correspondence
The following correspondence, received since the last meeting, was reported.

36.1 6 E mails had been forwarded to Councillors since the last meeting, being kept on file for 12 months.

36.2 CALC AGM 2026 - 10 October 2026, Roundthorn, Penrith

37/26 Councillor Matters
An opportunity for Councilors to raise issues on behalf of residents.
Note: no decisions can be made on these matters but they may be placed on a future agenda of the Council.

37.1 Defective Tarmac Around a Drain Cover – approach to A686 from Culgaith
Action: - To report to Highways.

37.2 Dangerous Boughs reported on Tree by Langwathby Bus Shelter
Action: - Unanimously agreed to undertake a tree safety survey on all trees on Langwathby Village green.

38/26 The Payment of Grants and Honorariums
Subsequent to the meeting, it was to pay the following amounts for 2026/27

Memo	385.00
Edenhall and Langwathby Sports Field	495.00
Edenhall PCC	440.00
K Little. Bus Shelter and Recycling Centre	440.00
Fellrunner	700.00
W Veitch – Cemetery Honorarium	385.00

39/26 Dates of Future 2026 Meeting
Venue, Langwathby Public Hall or Methodist Chapel, if Public Hall closed for rebuilding, meetings commencing at 7.30pm.
16th July,
17th September,
19th November
The meeting closed at 8.45 pm.

Signed _____ Date _____