HAVERTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Meeting held on Tuesday 4th November 2025 at 7 pm.

Cllrs Sanderson; Stoddart; Bevins; Fleming; Riley; Hitchen. Clerk Janet Taffs present

128/10/2025 Apologies
RESOLVED No apologies for absence

129/10/2025 To accept the resignation of the Chair, Cllr Sanderson
RESOLVED The Cllrs agreed to accept Cllr Sandersons resignation.

130/10/2025 To receive requests for a new Chair.
RESOLVED Cllr Stoddart proposed Cllr Hitchen as chair, seconded by Cllr Fleming

131/10/2025 Requests for Dispensations
RESOLVED No requests received since the previous meeting for dispensations to speak and/or vote on any matter where a member has a disclosable pecuniary interest.

132/10/2025 Declaration of Interest
RESOLVED NO declarations by elected and co-opted members of disclosable pecuniary interests in respect of items on this agenda

133/10/2025 Minutes
RESOLVED The Chair signed the minutes of the Haverthwaite Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 2nd September 2025 as a true record.

134/10/2025 Public Participation
134.1 Community participation: Members of the community will be given the opportunity to speak, ask questions or raise matters of interest with regard to this agenda
RESOLVED no members of the public were present.
134.2 Unitary Authority update:
RESOLVED Cllr Bloomer was not available, nothing to report
134.3 LDNPA update
RESOLVED No updates

135/10/2025 Update on Ongoing Issues and Actions from Last Meeting
The following dates were agreed for meetings in 2026.
The 6th of January, the 3rd of March, the 5th of May, The 7th of July, The 1st of September and the 3rd of November all to be held in the Outback Hall at 7pm.
There was no charge for hall hire in September as we were double booked. From Novembers meeting the cost will be £20 per hour.

136/10/2025 Planning Applications
To respond to planning applications received since the previous meeting
RESOLVED 7/2025/5445 – Lakeland Motor Museum – construction of new garages for exhibit storage. To ratify response of the Parish council to approve the planning application. It is the councils view that it will rarely be used and has no impact to the surrounding area.

RESOLVED 7/2025/5477 Foxwood Hill Backbarrow LA12 8PX The demolition of old store and erection of new was discussed and it was decided that there was no significant impact on the surrounding area, approve.

RESOLVED 7/2025/54787/2025/5478 1 Willow Cort Backbarrow LA12 8QL Proposed outbuilding was discussed and it was decided that there was no significant impact on the surrounding area, approve.

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137./10/2025 Planning permission decisions

Decisions made since the previous meeting:

RESOLVED 7/2025/5407 – 1 Leven Court, Backbarrow It was noted that the change of use from commercial to 1 bedroom flat was permitted.

RESOLVED 7/2025/5445 It was noted that the Lakeland Motor Museum application for Construction of new garages for motor museum exhibit storage The Authority has made a decision (Granted) on this application.

138/140/2025 Community

136.1 to receive updates on 20mph register of interest

UNRESOLVED The Clerk has contacted W&F to register an interest in applying for the next round of 20MPH zone allocation. Funding has been assigned for 25/26 and zones for 26/27 are being gathered. It was agreed that No Footpath signs are installed in the meantime. Clerk to contact Highways. Moved to Highways for the next agenda.

136.2. to receive any updates on noticeboards

UNRESOLVED New notice boards have arrived for Colton and two have been installed ~ next on the list is one in Finsthwaite which he hopes to recycle to Linsty Green
The ones replaced were damaged taking them off !
The fitting the broken door on the notice board by Playdale has been completed and varnished. This has since been reported again, the other door is off and some of the frame.
The notice board at the Clocktower needs glass or new perspex in the doors so they will take off and do this at home.

136.3 To receive feedback from Cllr Hitchen from the PC forum discussing common issues of 2nd homes & planning enforcement in LDNP.

RESOLVED Cllr Hitchen was unable to attend the meeting. Clerk to contact Lindale as no response to requests on an update have been received.

139/10/2025 Highways, footpaths, hedges & verges:

137.1. Parish Lengthsman jobs & update

RESOLVED The A590 through Backbarrow has never had any grass cut this year by Highways Northwest and the Backbarrow signs are dirty (they never clean them) ~ he is intending to have competed this last week.
Will be strimming paths in November and deweeding the road islands at the junctions and painting the kerbs white ~ they are very hard to see in the dark and have no illumination.
He is going to weed the bus laybys as well.
It was requested that the underpass from bus shelter to bridge is cleared of leaves. The children going to school along that path might find it slippy and dangourous. Top just by the top at bus stop. Red yew berries making it slippy. Clerk to contact the Lengthsman.

137.2 To consider the contract for the lengthsman for a further year.

RESOLVED The contact was agreed and signed. Clerk to forward to the Lengthsman to sign.

137.3 Issues to report on HIAMS Nothing to report

137.4 To update on the 20MPH zone.

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137.5 Streetlighting updates

UNRESOLVED The trees have been cleared to allow the installation of the new LED bulbs on the bridge path. Work has been requested. Clerk has confirmed with Altitude to carry out the upgrading of the lights on the bridge walk. The Work to be carried out at Hollow Oak has also been confirmed. Altitude services had confirmed, by photographs, that 5 of the lights on the bridge path had been replaced. They were not lights that they use. The Clerk has contacted W&F to ascertain if they carried out the work.

Communication received from Tim Farron about the lighting at the playing fields and the Nursing home. Clerk replied to inform him that this was in hand and the bulb at the playing fields was repaired in May. The light was working when the Clerk passed 6/10/25 and the update as above regarding Hollow Oak.

The Clerk contacted Cllr Bloomer regarding the Parish Council being responsible for the lighting. The Clerk felt it was not cost effective to have Altitude Services attend to fix one bulb when W&F could be in the area already. Would W&F consider taking that lighting over. Cllr Bloomer pointed the Clerk in the direction of an email stating that W&F had issued correspondence to state that this is being looked into. Clerk contacted the street lighting department to register an interest. Ref EI/265020

140/10/2025 Finance & Governance Issues

140.1 RESOLVED The Parish Council to approve the payment of the invoices received since the last meeting.

a) Leven Valley CE Primary School (Nov)- £50.00
b) Parish Clerk expenses to Oct 2025 - £ 57.65
c) A Workman (lengthsman) - £ 88.78
d) Altitude services - £TBC Could be lower as some lights have been changed.
e) ACW Cleaning (bus shelters Nov) - £ 120.00
f) Defibrillator pads £84 inc VAT
g) Remembrance wreath £ 20.00

140.2 UNRESOLVED To continue consideration of options regarding assertion 10 and website accessibility/.gov.uk emails.
The current website does not meet the new accessibility regulations.
Three quotes and cost comparison.

Web domain costs at a glance.

Company	Build the website	Annual fees	Domain fees	Email costs per year	Number of Email addresses	GB of storage	Extra storage GB	Cost for storage	Transfer of emails	Training costs	Hosting old domain
Aubergine	499 +VAT	First year free then 199+VAT	100+VAT	£50+VAT	25	2GB			Do not transfer	Free	First year free the £30
Parish online	Included annual fee	360 +VAT	Included in annual fee	Included in annual fee	20	5GB				Free	25+VAT
H media	961.22			£22 per address.	1 Free	10GB			Free		

It was decided to contract Aubergine to carry out the work, as they have been highly recommended as user friendly. Clerk to contact.

138.3 RESOLVED The second quarter accounts were agreed

138.4 UNRESOLVED The provisional details for the budget details for the 2026/2027 year were discussed Full budget and precept to be discussed at January's meeting.

141/10/2025 Correspondence, meetings attended and consultations.

The Clerk attended the Healthwatch event at the playing fields. It was quite informative on provisions for transport to appointments. The clerk is now added to the mailing list for future updates. The results from the QR code questionnaire will also be forwarded.

142/10/2025 Items for the next agenda

The gritting of the side roads was raised. Gritting Anglers road, Brow Edge and Linsty Green were all suggested as locations that would benefit from gritting. Hawkshead Parish Council are in the process of buying a gritter and have trained a man up to complete the gritting of non-priority groups. Clerk to contact to see if the unit could be utilised by Haverthwaite PC.
Flooding on the corner on way to whitewater. Pipe is blocked underneath. Clerk to report to Highways

143/10/2025 Date of Next Meeting

To confirm the date and time of next Meeting as Tuesday the 6th of January 2026 at 7.00 p.m. @ Outback Hall, Leven Valley School, Haverthwaite.

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