Hayton and Mealo Parish Council

A meeting of the Hayton and Mealo Parish Council was held in the Prospect Village Hall, Prospect, Aspatria on Wednesday 12th March 2025 at 7.30pm.

PRESENT: Messrs., D. Hilary, Y. Lockwood, and R. Murray

Also, Present: T. Gear (Clerk)

Apologies: None

Councillor D. Hilary in the Chair.

30/2025 MEMBERS APOLOGIES
V. Sonnabend (Personal) and J. Pye (Personal) gave their apologies, which were accepted

312025 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS
None

32/2025 DISPENSATIONS
None

33/2025 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC
There were no items on the agenda which required the press and public to be excluded.

34/2025 MINUTES
On the proposal of Y. Lockwood and seconded by D. Hilary, it was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 8th January 2025 be approved and signed as a correct record.

35/2025 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
No members of the public were present, and no matters were raised on their behalf.

36/2025 CORRESPONDENCE
The following items of correspondence have been received since the last meeting and circulated to members for their information: -.
Various Cumberland Council Newsletters.
Connecting Cumbria Newsletter – January and February 2025
New Flood Warning Service Testing
Refugee Locality Group (West) Meeting.
The latest from Fells and Solway Community Panel
Planning Policy Event for Town and Parish Council.

Agencies issue advice ahead of Storm Eowyn
Opportunity to make a difference: Free NHS App Champion Workshop.
Scam Leaflet
Devolution Update – Government consultation now live
CALC News – November & December 2024
Reminder ACT Rural Survey – Presentation and Discussion
LSE/NALC emergency planning survey – request to complete/promote. (Clerk to complete)
Council Code of Conduct
Waste Matters
Cumbria in Bloom – A brand new Parish Councils Award 2025
Devolution Consultation materials to share

37/2025 CLERKS REPORT
The clerk gave a brief report on matters that had arisen since the last meeting including: -
i)The Data Protection Fee is due which is collected by Direct Debit of £52.00 and is discounted by £5.00.

38/2025 DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS
There was no report from the Cumberland Councillor.

39/2025 PLANNING MATTERS
a) Applications for consultation

FUL/2025/0019	Ground mounted solar arrays Mealo House Farm, Allonby, CA15 6PB	No Objections

b) Decisions
None

c) Appeals
None

(d) Any other planning related correspondence.
None

40/2025 ACCOUNTS
(i) Balances at: -

12.3.25	Current Account	£1278.19
12.3.25	Deposit Account	£1678.64

(ii) The following accounts were approved for payment: -

T Gear	Web Domain Name	£35.16
T Gear	Clerks Account (Jan./Feb.)	£354.99
HMRC	Income Tax (Jan./Feb.)	£72.38
Prospect V. Hall	Room Hire 2024/5	£72.00

(iii) The effectiveness of the 2023/24 audit was considered and it was agreed to appoint Mrs. J Rae as Internal Auditor for the forthcoming 2024/25 audit.

41/2025 HIGHWAYS MATTERS
The following highways matters were discussed: -

i) Bend warning signs on the road into Hayton Village were yet to be Installed
ii) Give Way sign at Mealo road ends is missing

42/2025 NEWSLETTER
The draft of the Spring Newsletter was discussed and approved.

43/2025 VACANCIES
There are now three vacancies which should be filled by co-option as soon as possible.

44/2025 CUMBRIA CONSTABULARY NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING PLEDGE
The Cumbria Constabulary Neighbourhood Policing Pledge was discussed and there were no nominations to attend the virtual meetings

45/2025 TREES ON THE VILLAGE GREEN.
The stumps have been chemically treated, and another treatment will be completed shortly.

46/2025 CLIMATE CHANGE
Information from Environment and Climate for Cumberland council had been circulated.

47/2025 NOTICEBOARD
Work on the noticeboard had been completed.

48/2025 RISK ASSESSMENT 2025
The draft Risk Assessment was approved.

49/2025 DIFIBRILLATOR PADS
The pads for the defibrillator expire early May and the clerk was authorised to purchase replacements.

50/2025 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING
Vacancies
Newsletter
D. Hilary apologies for the next meeting

51/2025 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING
The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Wednesday 14th May 2025 at 7.30pm** at Prospect Village Hall, Prospect (following the Annual Parish Meeting)

The meeting closed at 7.55pm

Signed…….
Chair