

BEETHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the monthly meeting of Beetham Parish Council held at 7pm on
Monday 6th October at Beetham School

Present: Cllrs Greifenberg (Chair), Marsden, Duff, Meakin, Knowles, Phelan
2 members of the public and County Cllr Audland

Clerk: Jessica Harvey

(To be presented for acceptance at the Parish Council meeting on 3rd November 2025)

1. Apologies

Cllr Clark's reason for absence was NOT ACCEPTED as an apology.

2. Declarations of Interest

2.1 Updated Declaration of Interest forms were RECEIVED from all present Cllrs. Cllr Clark's to be posted for completion

2.2 Cllr Phelan declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 4,2 (incorrectly numbered).

3. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held 1st September 2025

APPROVED and signed by the Chairman

4. Public Participation/Open Session

Cllr Audland INFORMED Cllrs that the proposed installation of poles by Fibrus on Leighton Drive, Slackhead had been halted and that Fibrus are currently working on a new plan (without poles) to be presented to concerned residents. Cllr Audland also REPORTED that he was due to meet engineers and National Landscapes to discuss the ongoing flooding at the bottom of Storth Road.

Cllrs RECEIVED further details from a Parishioner on planning application 2025/1825/PAPP

5. Progress reports (Appendix C)

4.1 Cllrs were INFORMED that 2 sites have been identified for possible pollination zones, both on the A6 on the verges outside Beetham School and Heron Theatre

4.2 It was AGREED to ACCEPT the quote from the company who worked on Beetham Memorial to clean Storth Memorial- Cllr Phelan to liaise

4.3 It was AGREED that Cllr Duff order the signs for the chat benches

4.4 It was AGREED to alter the number of newsletters printed to 500 and that Cllr Duff would identify places in the Parish where it could be distributed.

6. Parish Land Working Group (Appendix D)

6.1 It was AGREED to trial 2 locks to ensure that they worked before purchasing more

6.2 The arboriculturist's suggestion to prune the tree in November was ACCEPTED, Cllr Phelan to liaise with Parish Steward

6.3 It was AGREED to use AA prefixes when recording new parish assets in future

6.4 Cllrs were in AGREEMENT about BPC acquiring the 3 identified pieces of furniture as assets provided current ownership/responsibility has been established

7. Policy Review Group

The IT Policy was APPROVED. Clerk to publish on the website

8. Exclusion of Press and Public (Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960)

Members of the public were REQUESTED to leave for agenda item 9.

9. Personnel Matters

9.1 Cllrs RECEIVED updates on the ongoing personnel matter

9.2 It was AGREED that the clerk investigate a councillor's non-compliance with the code of conduct

10. Applications for Development (Appendix A)

10.1 It was AGREED that BPC submit an objection to application 2025/1825/PAPP, clerk to contact W+F Council planning

10.2 No observations had been made by the clerk

10.3 Decisions made were NOTED

11. Financial matters (Appendix B)

11.1 Detailed payments were APPROVED.

11.2 Detailed bank receipts and balances as at 26th September 2025 were NOTED

11.3 The bank statement and cash book reconciliation was noted and SIGNED

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11.4 It was APPROVED for the Clerk to move the current account from Barclays Bank to Unity Trust Bank and AGREED that Cllrs Duff, Phelan and Griefenberg be signatories.

11.5 The Finance Committee meeting was SET for Thursday 13th November

12. New matters for consideration (Appendix E)

12.1 Cllrs REQUESTED that flood, fire and falling tree risks be brought up at the Community Resilience meeting to be attended by Cllrs Duff and Phelan

12.2 It was AGREED that the clerk action the changes required to meet the new Assertion 10 requirement for the External Audit

12.3 It was AGREED that the clerk should re-position the accessibility statement on the website for improved visibility

12.4 It was AGREED that Cllr Phelan put out the Standing Soldiers, the clerk purchase the wreaths and that Cllrs Griefenberg and Marsden represent BPC at the Remembrance day ceremonies

12.5 Cllrs APPROVED the Clerk to update, if necessary, the documents held by Milne Moser and Wright and Lord

12.6 It was DECIDED that the clerk should invite a representative of Age Friendly South Lakeland to give a presentation at a Parish Council meeting

13. Clerk's report (Appendix F)

The clerk's report was NOTED

14. Councillor reports

14.1 Cllrs NOTED the Flood resilience response which had been circulated

14.2 Cllrs were INFORMED of possible future funding sources

15. Agenda for the next meeting

Agenda to include Parish defibrillators

16. Date of the next meeting

It was CONFIRMED that the next meeting is Monday 3rd November 7pm at Storth Church

Appendix A

WFC Ref	Address	Development	Type	Decision
2025/1609/HOU	HAZELWOOD STORTH ROAD STORTH LA7 7JA	Proposed single storey rear and side extension (Resubmission of 2025/1141/HOU)	Householder	None
2025/1825/PAPP	ASHTON HOUSE BEETHAM MILNTHORPE LA7 7AL	Prior Notification under schedule 2, part 6, class A, for the erection of an agricultural barn for the purpose of storing farm machinery	Prior Approval	None

WFC Ref	Address	Development	WFC Decision	Date made
2025/1625/HOU	PRIMROSE BANK SHAW LANE STORTH LA7 7JD	Two storey rear extension	Approved with conditions	10-Sep-25

Appendix B

30	SCRIBE ACCOUNTS MONTHLY	01/10/25	31.00	6.20	37.20
31	RGARDEN (PARISH STEWARD)	28/08/25	440.00	0.00	440.00
32	DALLAM TOWER ESTATE - LAND RENTAL	01/09/25	50.00	0.00	50.00
33	ICO - DATA PROTECTION FEE	26/09/25	52.00	0.00	52.00
34	J. HARVEY - SALARY	30/09/25	1128.88	0.00	1128.88
35	THWAITES TREE CARE - WORK IN CUTTING	29/08/25	450.00	90.00	540.00

Barclays Bank Community Account £26,284.81

Barclays Bank Business Savings Account £20,038.77

Total in Banks £46,323.58

Bank receipts to 26th September: Ground rent £8.34, Interest £66.29

The meeting closed at 9:05pm