

Bridekirk Parish Council
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Minutes of the meeting of Bridekirk Parish Council held on Thursday 12th March 2026

Present: Mr S Dumbill (Chair); Mr R Stenson; Mr R Coy; Mr D Hodgson; Mr I Chambers; Mr W Nixon; Mr B Crosby; M M Rollison; Cllr M Harris & Clerk: Ms D Cosgrove

1.2.26 Apologies received from: Mr F Armstrong

2.2.26 The minutes of the meetings held on Thursday 8th January 2026 were signed as a true record.

3.2.26 There were no declarations of interest

4.2.26 No members of the public were present

5.2.26. Payments approved for payment and finance matters:

- TEEC Government Domain Name £42.00
- Microsoft 365 annual payment £84.99

6.2.26 Reports from outside bodies:

Cumberland Council : report previously circulated

Constabulary: report previously circulated & posted to website

7.2.26 Planning Applications: None at the time of meeting

8.2.25 Clerks report - reported under appropriate headings as appropriate.

9.2.26 Flooding updates –

Leaky dams update from Mr Hodgson. He has had confirmation that maintenance is the responsibility of the landowner and is checking when this is next scheduled to be undertaken.

10.2.26 Parish Maintenance – .

- It was noted that the culvert near The Ship in Dovenby is again blocked up with silt. It is the responsibility of Highways where it goes under the road and the landowner elsewhere. Highways Department are aware of the issue.

Clerk to make contact with M Sport to confirm proposals for the repair of the wall have been sent to M Sport prior to the May meeting.

Once again parishioners are encouraged to report potholes so they can be repaired in a timely manner.

It was noted that the trial light installed by the PC in Dovenby is not going to be effective in the winter months due to insufficient daylight to enable it to function in the hours of darkness.

There is due to be a meeting between Cumberland Council and NW Electricity before the end of the Financial Year to discuss the removal of Street Lighting in Dovenby without consultation.

11.2.26 Tallentire Wind Farm Fund

There were four applications submitted and approved totalling £45,339.54. Next meeting is scheduled for 12th August 26 in Gilcruix and applications are encouraged. There is still approximately £18,500 left in this funding pot.

**12.2.26 Noted date and time of next meeting : Thursday 14th May 2026 7.30pm -
Bridekirk Parish Church to be preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting at 7.15pm**