

Meeting: Parish Council Extraordinary Meeting

Date: Tuesday, 21st October 2025

Venue: Parkin Memorial Hall

Present: Miles MacInnes (MM), Justin Ray (JR), David Coulson (DC), Jason Heath (JH), Geyve Walker (GW)

Apologies: None

In Attendance: Sandie Watson (Clerk RFO)

Members of the Public: 56

Minutes

318.1 Apologies for absence

None.

319.2 Declarations of Interests/Requests for dispensations

a) Councillors were reminded of the need to update their Register of Interests.

b) Personal Interests –

Cllr Dave Coulson – Item 4 Planning application 7/2025/3097 Land adjacent to Eusemere Car Park, Pooley Bridge. His family also have an application for a public car park at Sunnyside Barn.

Cllr Jason Heath – Item 4 Planning application 7/2025/3097 Land adjacent to Eusemere Car Park, Pooley Bridge. His family are the applicants for Eusemere Car Park.

Prejudicial Interests –

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c) Dispensation Requests - None received.

320.3 Public Participation Sessions

The chairman stated at the start of the meeting that the Parish Council are a consultee and the final decision would be up to the Lake District National Park Development and Control Committee. He also stated that the applicant had previously contacted him to discuss the plans for the car park and he had given no indication of his opinion. Councillors would remain impartial until after the public participation session. The applicant's agent was also available to answer any questions at the end of the public participation. The meeting is being recorded by the Clerk and members of the public may also record.

The Chairman invited comments from members of the public.

Residents, local business owners and regular visitors expressed their views and concerns in opposition and support. The session was extended to allow members of the public to speak.

321.4 Planning

Cllr Coulson and Cllr Heath left the room.

7/2025/3097 Land adjacent to Eusemere Car Park, Pooley Bridge

Extension to existing car park and erection of public toilet block and information centre.

Cllr Walker and Cllr MacInnes supported the application and Cllr Ray opposed the application.

Resolved to support. The Council noted serious concerns regarding access onto the B5320 and the need for Westmorland and Furness Highways to thoroughly investigate and provide further information.

Cllr MacInnes encouraged members of the public to submit their views to the LDNPA and stated that the public can attend the committee meeting and speak if they want to. The Council has voted to support the application but will recommend the LDNPA explore the access onto the main road before it makes its decision.

Cllr Coulson and Cllr Heath were invited back into the meeting room and present.

7/2025/3100 Roe Head Farm, Pooley Bridge

Demolition of existing conservatory and amendments to existing terrace.

Resolved to support.

Meeting closed: 19.59pm