

BOOTLE PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 11TH MARCH 2026 IN THE CHAPEL MEETING ROOM BOOTLE, COMMENCING AT 7.30 PM

Present: Cllr R Kenworthy (Chair), Cllr D Faulkner, Cllr S Duck, Cllr R Reed

7 members of the public

Mrs L Cooper, Clerk

125/25 Apologies for absence: Cllr A Woodcock (working),

126/25 Exclusions of Press and Public: None

127/25 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Kenworthy declared an interest in Agenda item 12 BDSSA.

128/25 Minutes of Meetings held on 11TH February 2026

The minutes of the meetings were recorded as correct and signed by the Chair.

129/25 Police Liaison Report

Previously circulated. No comment.

130/25 PROGRESS REPORTS

Clerks Report

None

131/25 Public Participation

Members of the public sought information of a proposed path across the Wellbank site and how it would connect into Bootle Village. The Chair explained the difficulties in determining a safe route further to the one across Wellbank site and that as yet no further route has been able to be confirmed.

1 member of public complained about the number of potholes and flooding at Annaside. Were advised to report of the Highways HiMs system.

132/25 District Councillor's Report

None

133/25 APPLICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT

133/25.1 Applications

7/2026/4006 Wellbank Bootle

Variation of condition 2 (plans) of planning permission 7/2023/4052 – Mixed use development including 50 dwellings, 8 short term holiday let units, Community Hub, landscaping, and associated works – vary approved plans to create a hub complex of three buildings.

Supported, require confirmation of public footpath across the site.

133/25.2 Ratifications

None

133/25.3 Approved Planning Applications

7/2025/4101 10 Monks Moors, Eskmeals

Construction of a new flat roof extension with glazed lantern above

Granted

134/25 FINANCIAL RECORDS

134/25.1 The following payments were presented for approval:

Valda Energy	Direct Debit	£ 82.82
Waterplus	Direct Debit	£ 38.41
Clerks Salary & expenses		£241.68
HMRC	PAYE	£ 51.60
K Englefield	Toilet cleaning January	£364.00
Information Commissioner	Data protection renewal	£ 52.00
Thomas Graham	Toilet consumables	£ 64.25
Forepoint	Map	£525.80

134/25.2 Receipts

Donation boxes – toilets £6.87

134/25.3 To receive and note the bank statement 28 February 2026

Verified by Cllr Duck

134/25.4 To consider the Budget Comparison Report as at 31 January 2026 and determine action needed to address deviations from the budget.

No actions required C/Act £11325.35 (includes £6051.44 for BDSSA project). D/act £26490.50.

135/25 VILLAGE MATTERS

135/25 Community Plan

The Clerk presented the modified questions. Councillors to check. To launch questionnaire at the Annual Parish Meeting with a deadline for completion end of July. Final questionnaire to be approved at April meeting.

135/25.2 Footpath Wellbank/S106 monies

Cllr Kenworthy reported that he has met with representatives of Wellbank to discuss the preferred route of a footpath across the site.

135/25.3 Hycemoor Field

Cllr Kenworthy to meet with Cumberland Highways to discuss drainage route. The overhanging tree has been removed by the contractor. Suggested that the willow be removed and replaced with trees, to discuss with Bootle in Bloom.

135/25.4 Environment Issues

Bootle in Bloom have requested the purchase of 2 barrels for planting at a cost of £237.60. This was agreed.

135/25.5 Car Park by Toilet block

No response from Cumberland to last email.

135/25.6 Councillor vacancies

To address at the Annual Parish Meeting.

135/25.7 Village Map

5 pictures selected to go on map. School, shop, church, Fire Station, Chapel. Cllr Kenworthy to measure up wall and take picture for contractor.

135/25.8 Monk Moors

Thermal bag and new battery received. Defib installed in thermal bag.

135/25.9 Annual Parish Meeting

21 May 2026 Captain Shaw's School, commencing at 7pm

136/25 Reports from representatives on outside bodies and working groups.

136/25.1 BDSSA – Cllr Kenworthy reported that he had been in contact with planning re the Environment Agencies concerns re the development. Amendments to the planning application will be required.

136/25 Correspondence

All correspondence has been previously circulated. The following had been received:

- Email from residents concerned with road safety around Alexander House
- Email from Head Teacher Captain Shaw's School re reducing speed limit from 30 – 20mph near school. To forward to Cllr Pratt
- Notification from Valda energy of standing charge increase
- Notification from The Cumberland bank of changes to interest rates

136/25 Councillor Matters

- Cllr Duck and Cllr Reed are organising a litter pick as part of the Great Cumbrian Litter pick event on 27/28 March 2026. To contact Cumberland for help with risk assessment, equipment and signage.
- Cllr Duck reported that houses have begun to be demolished on Summerhill.
- Cllr Kenworthy reported that dog fouling is an ongoing problem in Bootle Station and concern to farmers.

137/25 Next Meeting

The next meeting to be held at the **Chapel Meeting Room** Bootle on Wednesday 15 April 2026 at 7.30pm. **PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE**

There being no other business the Meeting closed at 2115hrs.