

BOOTLE PARISH
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

HELD ON 20 MAY 2026 AT 7.30PM AT CAPTAIN SHAWS SCHOOL, BOOTLE

P1 Present: 20 members of the public were present.

P2 Mrs Lesley Cooper was elected as Clerk for the meeting.

P3 Chairman's Report

- The Chair of the Parish Council Cllr Kenworthy gave a report on the Council's activities.
- Footpath – awaiting route across Wellbank. No clear path to Chapel Lane/Church Lane corner. Need to report near misses on Cumberland's HiMs system.
- Church Lane Car park has now been relayed.
- Speed limit changes – CRASH team say no issues, been raised with Michelle Scrogham MP about reducing speed limit to 20mph near school. A595 near sports field, hope to get reduced from 40 to 30mph.
- Stubb Place/costal defence raised with Cumberland and escalated to MP.
- Council again supported Bootle in Bloom & litter pickers and won yet another Gold. The WI organised a litter pick which was well supported from Wabberthwaite down to Whitbeck. Council has paid for skips for a clean up at Annanside beach.
- Maintenance improvements – defib at Monk Moors now up and running.
- Dog waste bins – ongoing issues with people leaving in trees, gateways, paths, if you see anyone doing this, please remind them to place in bins.
- Community woodland – reinstated hedgerows and removed dead trees.
- Councillor vacancies – really need some more to undertake projects.
- Office space re-let and there was a lot of interest in it.

P4 Captain Shaw's School

Mr Jackson gave an overview of how the school can influence and improve environment. Every half term there is a real life project with values linked to it. Subjects link into it also. Community opportunities to improve eg bracken stamping in the community woodland. Let's invent writing to companies/design for play equipment – lottery funding of £10k.

Helping to plant trees on new footpath

Charities – raising money for various charities.

What next – theme is right/wrong. Focussed on vehicles going too fast, no paths, persuasive writing to get speed limit reduced to 20mph.

Fun/annual events – winter wonderland at Christmas, 27 June Summer Fair.

School value being part of the community.

P5 Village map

Sandra Duck explained about the new village map which will be located on the toilet wall and on the website to download.

P6 Alexander House

Ann Marshall gave an update on recent developments.

Community room available. New kitchen equipment purchased via grants. 2 bedrooms part furnished. Currently sourcing a HR professional. Fund raising activities.

P7 WI

Meet 2nd Tuesday of month at 7.30pm 39 members and still growing. Holding an event "Give Something Back" raising money for cancer wards 14 July dancing, etc £5 other events planned during the year.

P8 Wellbank

Received planning permission for 3 buildings instead of 1 big one, Wellbank to sort out run off to footpath.

P9 BDSSA project

Reviatalise area. Buld new sports pavilion by bowling green, training barn. Now seeking planning permission

P10 Community Plan

New Questionnaire launched, important that we get as much feedback as possible.

P11 Comments from the floor

- Bus shelter – roof leaking
- Speeding through village need a speed camera.
- Pig Street in poor condition.
- Police should park on car park by toilets not at Byre.
- Annanside SSSI signage illegible needs replacing
- Bootle in Bloom – trees/vegetation at Hycemoor. Where put green waste being charged to dispose.
- Chaple lane- Home group state of gardens etc where houses empty.
- Potholes
- Car parking in lay byes.

.Meeting closed 9.30pm

BOOTLE PARISH COUNCIL ACCOUNTS SUMMARY						
Income	24/25	25/26		Expenditure	24/25	24/25
	£	£			£	£
Precept	19500	19000		Staff costs	3187	3605
Projects	0	49000		Insurances	685	870
VAT	2537	4665		Council expenses	1349	1130
field rent	110	110		Website	200	2220
Bootle in Bloom	0	485		Donations	720	175
Misc	523	283		Grass & garden	6544	7248
Interest	967	804		projects	19566	60199
Office space	2915	2465		Gen Maint + defibs	618	331
				toilets	5993	7527
				Misc Purchases	0	26
				Misc expenses	0	0
				Footlight maint	0	0
				Bootle in Bloom	2409	2728
				hall rental	110	200
	26552	76812			41381	86259
Balances as at 31/3/26						
	£					
Current Acct	9848					
Deposit Acct	27479					
Committed reserves	11368					
General Reserve	25961					