

PENNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
ANNUAL Meeting of the Parish Council
Monday 13th April 2026
7pm
Parish Rooms

Minutes

Attendees	Mrs Athersmith Mrs Bell (Clerk) Mr Corbett Mrs Slater (Chair) Mr Stretch	Mr Squires Cllr Cooper Cllr Brereton 5 Members of the Public
	DISCUSSION	
26-04/1 Apologies	• Apologies noted from Ms Brockbank • Apologies noted from Mrs Corbett	
26-04/2 Declarations of Councillor Interests	• None noted	
26-04/3 Exclusion of Press and Public	• Item 26-04/11	
26-04/4 Vacancies	• There are no vacancies on the Swarthmoor Ward. • There are no vacancies on the Pennington Ward.	
26-04/5 Previous Minutes and Matters Arising	• Minutes of the previous meeting that had been previously circulated were signed as a true and accurate reflection of the resolutions made.	
26-04/6 Age Friendly UK	• Representative of Age UK was unable to attend as planned.	

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26-04/7 Public Participation	• One member of the public requested information regarding the footpaths in relation to the new housing development that has been granted at Cross-a-Moor. This was addressed accordingly by Cllrs Cooper and Brereton. • One member of the public addressed council with regards the development as listed above. This was also responded to by Cllrs Cooper and Brereton. • One member of the public raised concern with regards lack of response from WAF council relating to requested grounds maintenance, road sweeping, waste management and walls at Birkrigg Park. This was addressed by Cllrs Cooper and Brereton. • One member of the public requested that council write to the Strategic Planning Committee to express their dissatisfaction that numerous and significant concerns have been raised with regards the development as listed above without consideration from the committee. • One member of the public informed council of the planned First Aid Course to run at Pennington School on 20th May 2026. Residents advised that booking is directly through the secretary at Pennington School. It was requested that the course be advertised in CommChat and via social media and the website. • One member of the public addressed council with regards the recently unsuccessful grant application for Lindal Bowling Club. Clerk to contact the member of the public to confirm the policy with regards reviewing resolutions within 6 months.
26-04/8 District Councillors/ Elected Members Reports	• Cllrs Cooper and Brereton updated Council on issues relating to: - 20mph zones - Moorgarth parking - Dog fouling - Road Safety Funding -0 and lack thereof – advising that the requested funding will remain on the list of works.
26-04/9 Swarthmoor/ High Carley	• It was noted that no response has been received regarding the works to be carried out at Swarthmoor park. Clerk to chase.
26-04/10 Pennington/ Loppergarth	• It was noted that no response has been received regarding the works to be carried out at Loppergarth park. • Clerk to chase.
26-04/11 Sunnyside/ Parish Rooms	• As per Confidential Items Minutes
26-04/12 Planning Matters	• There was one application that was received after the agenda was published and being: 2026/0011/HOU – Rear Pergola (retrospective at 63 Trinkeld Avenue.

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	Council resolved that they had no comment to make.	
26-04/13 Financial Matters	Financial Matters Bank Statement Balance at 28/02/2026 <u>To resolve to note the following payments from Bank Statements</u> Water Plus - Allotments £13.39 Salary/ WFH £565.64 Ionos Website £10.80 Water Plus Parish Rooms £31.28 Salary/ WFH £565.64 Service Charge £7.00 <u>To resolve to note the following receipts from Bank Statements</u> Allotment 12 Rent £35.00 Sunnyside Rent £470.00 Balance at 31/03/2026 Reserves Buildings Maintenance £17,347.59 Bus Shelters Maintenance £1,913.73 Election Fees £3,500.00 Playground Maintenance £200.00 Car Parks £700.00 Footpaths £500.00 Allotments £1,027.88 CLP £500.00 Grants £725.00 General Reserves £5,000.00 General Spends £3,024.72 Total <u>£34,438.92</u>	

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	To resolve to consider/approve the following payments Poppy Wreath – Cash from Room Hire CALC	£20.00 - APPROVED £428.61 - APPROVED
26-04/14 Grant Applications	• No applications received • See Public Participation with regards – Lindal Bowling Club	
26-04/15 Website Compliance	• Council were updated on the progress of the new website – migration to the new platform and it was resolved for the Chair, Vice-Chair and Clerk to attend a meeting with Active Council to discuss progress.	
26-04-16 Community Policing Team	• Council were informed that PCSO Madden and PCSO Wade have retired. • Clerk to find contact details of PCSO Madden to send letter of thanks for support to the community.	
26-04/16 Items for Future Agendas	• Bins • Sunnyside EPC • Remembrance Bench Plaque	
20-04/17 Date of Next Meeting	The next ordinary meeting of the council back and was agreed for 11 th May 2026 – 7pm in the Parish Rooms.	

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