Grange-over-Sands Town Council

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Minutes

Full Council Monday 10 August 2026

Present: Cllr. R. Handley – Chair

Cllr. A. Walmsley, Cllr. T. Thomas, Cllr. J. Walmsley, Cllr. B. Berry.

Mrs. C. Benbow – Town Clerk

Attending: Westmorland and Furness Unitary Councillor T. Bloomer and 4 members of the public.

C26.71 Apologies for Absence **Agenda Item 1**

RESOLVED Apologies from Cllr. W. Tych who was absent due to holiday and from Cllr. Mason who was absent for personal reasons were approved.

C26.72 Public Participation: Public Have Your Say **Agenda Item 2**

Speaker 1 Spoke as a director of Morecambe Bay Fringe Festival about expanding the event to Grange. It is held in the fortnight before the Edinburgh Fringe.

Speaker 2 Spoke about the Westmorland and Furness Council Planning Department regarding how they publish planning notices and wanting to know when Westmorland will consult the community on the Local Plan.

C26.73 Reports **Agenda Item 3**

Westmorland and Furness Councillor Tim Bloomer

Reported that:

- **Local Plan** - thanked the Town Council for their response to the Local Plan Scoping Consultation.
- **Transformation Programme** – Westmorland and Furness Council are making progress in reducing their number of senior managers.
- **Lido** – progress is being made towards opening the site.
- **Planning** – central Government is making changes. Westmorland and Furness will have a single planning committee, not three, and more decisions will be delegated to officers.

The Mayor, Cllr. Roger Handley

Reported that he attended the Classic-over-Sands Car Event on Sunday 9 August 2026 and presented the winning cups.

C26.74 Minutes of the Previous Meeting **Agenda Item 4**

RESOLVED That the Chair was authorised to sign the Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on Monday 13 July 2026 as a true record.

C26.75 Declaration of Interests and Dispensations **Agenda Item 5**

NOTED There were no requests received for dispensations or declarations of interest.

C26.76 Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 **Agenda Item 6**

RESOLVED That no items should be considered without the presence of the press and public, pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 Section 2.

C26.77 Planning **Agenda Item 7**

1. **Members considered the following full or outline planning permission/reserved matters/discharge of conditions/listed building/change of use/advertising consent or appeal:**

Members noted the following delegated response was sent regarding:
2026/1304/HOU Householder, 7 Fell Cottages, Grange Fell Road GRANGE-OVER-SANDS LA11 6AH Installation of an electric vehicle charge point on the side wall of the front porch.

Delegated Response sent: COMMENT

Grange Town Council COMMENTS on this application that although it isn't clear in the application how the cable will be safely installed, and made safe for passers-by, that the Westmorland and Furness Council EV Infrastructure Highways & Transport Team are involved in the application so the Town Council assumes they will ensure that the installation is safe.

Planning Applications:

a. 2026/1145/FPA
Full Application
Springfield Methven Road GRANGE-OVER-SANDS LA11 7DU
Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement self-build dwelling.
Extension to comment requested.

RESOLVED
NO OBJECTION

b. 2026/1436/LDEX 20 FELL COTTAGES
GRANGE FELL ROAD
GRANGE-OVER-SANDS
LA11 6AH
Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness (Existing) to establish the use as short term holiday accommodation with up to 13 guests under a single booking for over 10 years prior to the date of this application
Easting
Lawful Development Certificate - Existing Use

RESOLVED
No response was made as the application had already been determined.

c. 2026/1397/FPA GARTH HOUSE
KENTS BANK ROAD
GRANGE-OVER-SANDS
LA11 7HD
Change of use from dwellinghouse (Use Class C3) to short term holiday accommodation
Full Application

RESOLVED
NO OBJECTION

d. 2026/1156/FPA
Full Application
Seacroft 1 Yew Tree Road GRANGE-OVER-SANDS LA11 7AA
Demolition of the existing dwelling and detached garage and construction of a replacement self-build dwelling with attached garage

Westmorland and Furness have received further information relating to the above planning application that you may wish to comment upon.

RESOLVED
COMMENT
No further comment.

e. 2026/1458/ADV
Advertisement
Spar Store (Formally Age Concern UK) Lindale Road GRANGE-OVER-SANDS LA11 6EE
Advertisement Consent for 7 internally illuminated fascia signs

RESOLVED
NO OBJECTION

f. 2026/1555/FPA
Full Application
Former Palace Fitness Palace Building Main Street GRANGE-OVER-SANDS LA11 6AB
Change of use from a Gym (Use Class E(d)) to one self-contained flat (Use Class C3)

RESOLVED
NO OBJECTION

2. **Decisions - Members noted that the following decisions had been made since the last Full Council meeting:**

a. 2026/0793/LDPR SEAFIELD PARK ROAD GRANGE-OVER-SANDS LA11 7HQ Lawful Development Certificate - Proposed Use Approved
b. 2026/1033/HOU CROSSING COTTAGE 31 CART LANE GRANGE-OVER-SANDS LA11 7AF Householder Approved With Conditions
c. 2026/0513/HOU BRACKENWOOD METHVEN ROAD GRANGE-OVER-SANDS LA11 7DU Householder Approved With Conditions
d. 2026/0756/HOU MARIGOLD HOUSE THE CRESCENT GRANGE-OVER-SANDS LA11 6AW Householder Approved With Conditions
e. 2026/0162/LBC VICTORIA HALL MAIN STREET Listed Building Consent Approved With Conditions
f. 2026/1136/LDPR 40 PRIORY LANE GRANGE-OVER-SANDS LA11 7BJ Lawful Development Certificate - Proposed Use Approved

C26.78 Finance - Monthly Payments **Agenda Item 8**

Councillor Verification and Payment Approval

a. Members noted that prior to the meeting two councillors verified invoices received and payments made since the last full council meeting and verified their authenticity. Members noted that Cllr. Berry verified in place of Cllr. E. Walmsley.

b. Members noted that two councillors verified that the monthly bank reconciliation took place. Members noted that Cllr. Berry verified in place of Cllr. E. Walmsley.

c. **RESOLVED**
That the payments of accounts and wages for this finance period as recorded in the payments list were approved as below.

d. **RESOLVED**
That Cllrs. A. Walmsley and Handley would complete online authorisation of payments for the next payment period.

e. **RESOLVED**
That Cllrs. Berry and Thomas would verify the invoices and payments for the next payment period and would meet the Finance Administrator by appointment to complete verification.

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Payments List — Aug 2026

Bank Account No. 1 - Direct Debit			£ -
Bank Account No. 1 - Cheque			£ -
	Total Bank Account No. 1		**£ -**
Bank Account No. 2 - Direct Debits			
127	Lloyds Bank Plc - Card July 2026 - Monthly fee		£ 3.00
128	WFC - 5/10 Non Dom Rates V Hall		£ 725.00
129	WFC - 5/10 Non Dom Rates Rooms 1 & 3		£ 176.00
130	WFC - 5/10 Non Dom Rates Room 4		£ 98.00
131	WFC - 4/9 Non Dom Rates Rooms 6 & 7		£ 154.00
132	Npower - Elec V Hall 01/06/26 - 30/06/26		£ 235.06
133	Npower - Elec Church Hill PC 01/06/26 - 30/06/26		£ 102.85
134	Npower - Elec Prom PC 01/06/26 - 30/06/26		£ 52.60
135	Npower - Elec Xmas Tree lights 01/06/26 - 30/06/26 (recoverable)		£ 35.15
136	Corona Energy - Gas V Hall 01/06/26 - 01/07/26		£ 174.98
137	Sage - Support 01/07/26 - 31/07/26		£ 126.00
138	BT - Tel & Broadband 01/07/26 - 31/07/26		£ 58.74
Bank Account No. 2 - Direct Bank Payments			
139	Paul Johnson Property Development - Recreation Ground Maintenance		£ 595.00
140	SLCC - Membership Fee Town Clerk July 2026		£ 379.00
141	SLCC - Manpower & Succession Town Clerk Course 5th Oct 2026		£ 138.60
142	Duddon Hire - Portaloo Hire, Padlock & Collection 22nd - 25th June 26		£ 372.00
143	Screwfix - Aluminium Folding Hand Truck, 5 Lever Sasklock (Vic Hall)		£ 99.96
144	WFC - Rental Grange Bandstand & Allotments 01/07/26-30/06/27		£ 525.78
145	KTD - 6 x Cloud backup and monitoring 01/09-30/09/26		£ 67.20
146	Flutes & Co - Summer Concert 12th July 2026		£ 75.00
147	Growing Singing - Music in the Park Concert 12th July 2026		£ 75.00
148	Healthmatic - PC cleaning 01/08/26 - 31/08/26		£ 1,779.43
149	Hall Team Expenses - Bottom Entry Toilet Fill Valve & Cistern Float		£ 14.49
150	Turnstone HR - HR support 01/08/26 - 31/08/26		£ 75.00
151	Lamont Pridmore - Payroll Jan - April 2026		£ 516.00
152	Aindale KTD - Photocopying July 2026		£ 82.68
153	Debbie's Cleaning - V Hall cleaning 01/07/26 - 31/07/26		£ 702.00
154	Lengthsman 01/07/26 - 31/07/26		£ 443.99
155	Wallings - Vanilla Box 3x24 Blackcurrant Swirl 2x24 (MITP)		£ 113.94
	Total Bank Account No. 2		**£ 7,996.45**

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Salaries, PAYE & N.I. (Bank Account No. 2)			
	Total Salaries		**£ 9,153.82**
	HMRC PAYE & NI - Tax Month 2		£ 3,400.17
	LG Pension Scheme Month 2 - Employer payment		£ 2,987.96
	Total Salaries, HMRC & Pension		**£ 15,541.95**
	Total Bank Account No. 2		**£ 23,538.40**
	Total all payments for approval		**£ 23,538.40**
Accounts paid in previous month:			
Bank Account No. 1 - Direct Debit			£ -
Bank Account No. 1 - Cheque			£ -
	Total Bank Account No. 1		**£ -**
Bank Account No. 2 - Direct Debits			
156	Waterplus - V Hall 6th June - 5th July 2026		£ 184.91
157	Waterplus - Orn Gdns PC 7th June - 6th July 2026		£ 83.52
158	Waterplus - Church Hill PC 7th June - 6th July 2026		£ 138.00
Bank Account No. 2 - Bank Payments			
			£ -
	Total Accounts paid in previous month		**£ 406.43**
	Grand Total		**£ 23,944.83**
Bank Balances			
	Bank Account No. 1 As at 31/07/26		£ 221,434.01
	Bank Account No. 2 As at 31/07/26		£ 396,442.82
Signed (Chairman)		**Dated.....**	

C26.79 Finance and Governance **Agenda Item 9**

a. **First Quarter Financial Report**
Members considered the first quarter Financial Report 1 April to 30 June 2026.
RESOLVED
That the first quarter Financial Report 1 April to 30 June 2026 was approved as below.

b. **Victoria Hall Support Group (VHSG) Quarterly Report**
Members noted the quarterly financial report for the Victoria Hall Support Group:
The balance at the end of the previous quarter to 31 March 2026 was £9,225.43.
Income was £15,000 donation received from VHSG on 29 May 2026.
Expenditure in the quarter to 30 June 2026 was £5,642.43.
This included Chamber refurbishment and equipment requested by VHSG:

- Lighting and re-wiring Chamber £2,536.99
- Glasses £198.33
- Stacking chairs and trolley £2,677.25
- Glasses and plates £189.86
- Hinges and locks £40.00

The balance at the end of the quarter to 30 June 2026 is £18,583.00

c. **Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Reserve Quarterly Report**
Members noted that the balance for the quarter to 30 June 2026 in the CIL ring-fenced reserve is £101,744.

d. **Casual Vacancies**
There is a casual vacancy on the Town Council. Anyone interested in getting involved is invited to contact the Town Clerk or the Chairman for more information, or see www.grangeoversandstowncouncil.gov.uk

e. **Partnership Policy**
Members noted that Morecambe Bay Partnership are now hiring office space at the Hall on a regular basis and considered their request to use the Victoria Hall as the registered address for their charitable organisation.

RESOLVED
i) That, as Morecambe Bay Partnership share the Town Council's Aims and Objectives (Point 2.2) as being a stakeholder who is working alongside the Town Council to improve the town generally, that they are permitted to use the Victoria Hall as the registered address for their charitable organisation.
ii) That the Partnership Policy is updated to reflect this.

f. **Risk Assessments – Operational**
Members noted the Risk Assessment Record and considered the following Risk Assessments which were reviewed as part of the annual review schedule*:*

i) Victoria Hall – Operations
ii) Council Offices
iii) Recreation Ground
iv) Allotments
v) Public Conveniences
vi) Cycle Racks

RESOLVED
That the Risk Assessment Record and reviewed Risk Assessments as follows were approved: Victoria Hall – Operations, Council Offices, Recreation Ground, Allotments, Public Conveniences, Cycle Racks.

g. **Community Governance Review**
Members noted correspondence from Westmorland and Furness Council that final recommendations have been published. The recommendation for Grange is to remove the parish wards, resulting in one unwarded parish, served by nine Councillors*.*

h. **Removal of Requirements to Publish a Councillor's Home Address**
Members noted correspondence from Westmorland and Furness Council Democratic Services regarding the publication of home addresses of elected or co-opted members and consider actions*.*

RESOLVED
That the home addresses of Town Councillors are removed from the noticeboard and website and Victoria Hall public areas.

Grange-over-Sands Town Council	**Meeting: August 2026**					**Prepared: July 2026**
Budget Monitoring 3 months to 30 June 2026						
INCOME	**Sage Code**	**Budget for year (£)**	**25% Budget to date (£)**	**Actual to date (£)**	**Variance (£)**	**% Spent to date (%)**	**Comments**
Precept	4000	283,045	70,761	70,761.24	(0)	25%	
Event Refreshment - Sales	4009	1,600	400	1,286.79	887	80%	Music in the Park
Sundry Receipts - Prom Loo Compensation 2019	4010	-	-	39.26	39	-	£125.98 outstanding as of 04/06/2026
Interest Received	4015	-	-	0	0	-	
Grant Receipts - General	4105	-	-	0	0	-	
Grant Receipts - WFC Comm Infrastructure Levy	4107	-	-	35,235.55	35,236	-	
Donations Received	4115	900	225	950.00	725	106%	Donations for Music in the Park
Donations - Victoria Hall	4117	-	-	15,108.45	15,108	-	Donations from Hall collection boxes and VHSG £15,100
Tenanted Room Rent - Receipts	4120	6,000	1,500	1,476.45	(24)	25%	Room 6/7 (The Planning Office) no longer tenanted
Allotment Rent - Receipts	4121	1,600	400	0	(400)	0%	
Room Hire - Receipts	4125	22,000	5,500	10,353.28	4,853	47%	Victoria Hall Hire
Event Expenditure - Recharged	4126	200	50	37.98	(12)	19%	Posters recharged to a customer for an event
Hall Team - Recharged	4127	3,000	750	0	(750)	0%	
Bay Villa Trust - Admin Fee	4162	450	113	0	(113)	0%	
Commission Received	4170	-	-	5.42	5	-	Ticketsource referral income
Lease Registration Fees	4175	-	-	0	0	-	
Toilet Entry Fees	4500	13,000	3,250	2,460.80	(789)	19%	Entry price 40p
Fund Raising - Income	4600	200	50	0	(50)	0%	
Ticket Sales - Income	4601	-	-	4,034.01	4,034	-	New code to manage Ticket Sales
Total Income		**331,995**	**82,999**	**141,749.23**	**58,750**	**43%**	

EXPENDITURE	**Sage Code**	**Budget for year (£)**	**25% Budget to date (£)**	**Actual to date (£)**	**Variance (£)**	**% Spent to date (%)**	**Comments**
Fund Raising Expenditure	6170	200	50	0	(50)	0%	
Musicians' Fees	6200	900	225	150.00	(75)	17%	Music in the Park
Salaries - Music in the Park	6201	3,700	925	819.98	(105)	22%	Music in the Park (MITP) Salaries
Salaries - Casual Hall Team	6202	51,000	12,750	2,824.88	(9,925)	6%	Now excludes contracted office Staff
Mobile Toilets	6220	550	138	0	(138)	0%	
Event Equipment - Purchases	6550	400	100	79.45	(21)	20%	Music in the Park
Event Refreshments - Purchases	6560	600	150	517.87	368	86%	Music in the Park
Salaries + NI	7000	97,300	24,325	35,898.15	11,573	37%	Core Office Salaries - Excludes MITP, Caretaking, Hall Team
Pensions	7001	30,000	7,500	7,962.63	463	27%	
Salaries - Vic Hall Caretaking	7002	-	-	544.77	545	-	Vic Hall Caretaker Salary - new code
Printing and Stationery	7010	900	225	271.27	46	30%	
Postage	7012	50	13	0	(13)	0%	
Water	7015	6,000	1,500	1,642.11	142	27%	
Business Rates	7020	12,000	3,000	2,844.45	(156)	24%	
Telephone/Broadband	7025	650	163	146.85	(16)	23%	
Insurance	7030	7,000	1,750	1,671.09	(79)	24%	

EXPENDITURE (continued)	**Sage Code**	**Budget for year (£)**	**25% Budget to date (£)**	**Actual to date (£)**	**Variance (£)**	**% Spent to date (%)**	**Comments**
Subscriptions	7040	1,200	300	703.39	403	59%	Annual CALC, NALC, SLCC subscriptions
Information Technology	7046	9,000	2,250	1,103.16	(1,147)	12%	Cloud Backup, Domain Cover, New Monitor, SAGE package
Website	7047	3,150	788	0	(788)	0%	
Travelling Expenses	7050	100	25	0	(25)	0%	
Training Expenses	7052	1,600	400	95.00	(305)	6%	
Civic Expenses	7055	200	50	0	(50)	0%	
Events Expenditure (was Hospitality)	7065	200	50	51.62	2	26%	Refreshments (see Code 4126 Events Expenditure Recharged)
Bank Charges	7070	240	60	62.40	2	26%	
Audit Fees	7075	1,400	350	239.60	(110)	17%	Internal Audit fees 12/05/2026
Accountancy Fees	7080	2,800	700	282.75	(417)	10%	Cost of Finance Administrator handover - outgoing staff
Gas	7100	7,500	1,875	1,901.06	26	25%	
Electricity	7105	6,280	1,570	1,048.88	(521)	17%	
Christmas Lights	7106	7,100	1,775	0	(1,775)	0%	
Donation Expenditure - Victoria Hall	7110	-	-	3,263.22	3,263	-	Chairs, plates and glasses (VHSG)
Hall Maintenance, Repairs and Renewals	7119	17,000	4,250	19,928.25	15,678	117%	Includes fire alarm and security camera installation
Repairs and Maintenance	7120	15,500	3,875	9,141.35	5,266	59%	Public Loos, Rec Ground, Allotments, Public Domain,
Professional Fees - Non Financial	7125	1,485	371	2,146.20	1,775	145%	Includes HR support and Decarbonisation Report
Toiletries and Cleaning Materials	7130	600	150	204.29	54	34%	See below
Hall Cleaner	7131	8,200	2,050	2,106.00	56	26%	New code - Budget included in code 7130 above
Rent Payable	7160	780	195	0	(195)	0%	Rent bandstand & Grange Fell/Yewbarrow allotments
Card Handling Charges (Toilets only)	7190	1,450	363	481.64	119	33%	Nayax card readers and service fee
Cleaning	7200	17,160	4,290	4,448.57	159	26%	Public Conveniences Cleaning Contract
Communications	7255	300	75	0	(75)	0%	
Lengthsman	7455	8,500	2,125	2,251.93	127	26%	Includes skip hire
Parish Election Costs	7600	-	-	0	0	-	
Ticket Sales - Expenditure	7132	-	-	790.05	790	-	New code added
Total Expenditure		**322,995**	**80,749**	**105,622.86**	**24,874**	**33%**	
Net profit (Loss)		**9,000**	**2,250**	**36,126.37**			
Balance Sheet Summary as at 21/07/2026							
Total Assets Less Total Liabilities				**395,610.00**			

C26.80 Consultations **Agenda Item 10**

a. **Local Plan**
A meeting to draft a response took place on Wednesday 22 July at 10.30 am. Cllrs. Handley, Tych, Thomas, A. Walmsley, Berry and the Town Clerk took part.

RESOLVED

i) That the response as considered was submitted to the online Westmorland and Furness Local Plan Scoping Consultation for Stakeholders and Statutory Consultees.
ii) That it was requested that the response in full was also considered and this document was sent to Unitary Cllr. Bloomer to ensure it gets to the right people.

b. **Cumbria Bus Reform Pilot Study**
Members noted an update from Cllr. Berry, that she responded online based on the findings of the PEAT Travel and Transport Project.

C26.81 Member Updates **Agenda Item 11**

Members received the following updates from Members on meetings/works in progress not covered in other agenda items:

a. **Cllr. Thomas - Cumbria Better Connected** online meeting 16 July 2026 - discussed the new bus to Windermere via tourist attractions.

C26.82 Victoria Hall **Agenda Item 12**

a. **Listed Building Consent**
Members noted that Listed Building Consent 2026/0162/LBC to remove the Room 6/7 Planning Office partition wall has been granted.

b. **Victoria Hall Working Party**
Members noted that a meeting of the Working Party took place on 8 July. Cllrs. Thomas, Tych, Berry, J. Walmsley and the Hall Manager, Hall Administrator and Town Clerk took part.

Members noted that the new carpet has now been laid in the Chamber. Research into quotes for Project 125 and an Accessibility Audit are underway.

The next meeting of the Working Group will be held on Wednesday 2 September at 2 - 3.30pm.

c. **Project 125 – CIL Funding Bid**
Members noted that the Strategic Outline Case submitted to the Westmorland and Furness Council Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Fund has passed the first stage and the Town Council now needs to complete and return the CIL 2 form. Members considered fundraising strategy.

RESOLVED
That the proposal from Welburn & Wood Fundraising Solutions to offer support with the preparation of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Stage 2 application at an estimated cost of between £600 and £900 was approved.

C26.83 Westmorland and Furness Council **Agenda Item 13**

a. **Highways – Kents Bank Road**
   i) Members noted that as resolved in May (C26/21) the Town Council wrote to the Unitary Council, in response and in support of Cllr. Bloomer, following his correspondence with them to request that the traffic and congestion problems on Kents Bank Road are investigated.

   ii) Members noted response from Westmorland and Furness Council, advising that requests are logged onto the Highways Online System and saying that this financial year is already committed.

   iii) Members noted that the matter was logged on the Highways Online System on 16 July 2026. The case reference number is EI/299807.

   iv) Members noted response received on 17 July 2026.

   v) Members noted an email was received on 20 July 2026 that 'all actions relating to your enquiry have now been responded to using this email address'.

b. **Planning Website and Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)**
Members noted correspondence from WAF about recent updates to their planning webpages to improve usability, accessibility and consistency.

c. **WAF Council Transport Team - any bus related signage issues in your Parish?**
Members considered response to correspondence requesting information from local parishes about any bus-related signage requirements that have been identified. Response deadline 4 September 2026.

RESOLVED
   i) That a request for a bus stop flag located beside or on the bus shelter opposite Kents Bank Station was submitted.
   ii) That Cllr. Berry would research and submit any other relevant requests.

C26.84 Music in the Park Summer Band Concerts **Agenda Item 14**

Members noted that the season is successfully underway. Cllr. Jane Walmsley, who acts as MC for the concerts, reported that Kirkby Lonsdale Brass Band was excellent and the event was very successful and extremely well attended.

C26.85 Public Conveniences **Agenda Item 15**

a. Members noted that the contract to clean the public conveniences expires at the end of March 2027 and considered approving tendering for new contract.

RESOLVED
That the contract to clean the public conveniences is put out to tender from April 2027.

b. Members noted the application form to WAF Public Conveniences Capital Investment Fund (which was not granted) and Members considered the quotes in Part 3 'Building Infrastructure' for essential maintenance for the public conveniences at the Prom, Ornamental Gardens and Church Hill, replacing the service door at the Prom and painting all facilities externally.

RESOLVED

i) That the quotes in Part 3 'Building Infrastructure' for essential maintenance for the public conveniences at the Prom, Ornamental Gardens and Church Hill, replacing the service door at the Prom and painting all facilities externally, totalling £7,000 were approved.
ii) That the works are paid for from the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) ring-fenced reserve.

C26.86 Peninsula Environment Action Together (PEAT) **Agenda Item 16**

a. Members noted update from Cllr. Berry, that PEAT held another successful stall at Prom Art.

b. Members noted that PEAT and Blueworks Buses were discussing the possibility of providing an on-demand bus service. Cllr. Berry reported that the launch of the project has been delayed due to the unexpected Westmorland and Furness Council project to provide a similar service.

c. **RESOLVED**
That the request to write in support of Blueworks Buses to formally acknowledge support of their project to provide an on-demand bus service was deferred until more information was available.

C26.87 Have Your Say – Castles & Coasts Housing Association **Agenda Item 17**

a. Members noted correspondence sent 23 July 2026, as resolved at the previous meeting, highlighting concerns raised by a resident.
b. Members noted that Castles & Coasts responded that the matter would be investigated at a meeting on 28 July.
c. Members noted the comprehensive and reassuring response from the Castles & Coasts Building Safety Manager received on 4 August 2026.

C26.88 Recreation Ground **Agenda Item 18**

Members noted that the kiosk door at the Recreation Ground hut is being replaced.

C26.89 Training **Agenda Item 19**

a. **Climate and Local Nature Recovery Strategy**
Members noted that the CALC Climate and Local Nature Recovery Strategy workbook update on 14 July, which Cllr. Berry was due to attend, was cancelled.

b. **Town Clerk SLCC Training**

RESOLVED
That the Town Clerk attending a 3-hour SLCC (Society of Local Council Clerks) online staff management course 'Manpower and Succession Planning' costing £115.50 (ex VAT) was approved.

c. **SLCC Conference**

RESOLVED
That the Town Clerk attending the SLCC Practitioners Conference 2027 on 3 – 4 March 2027 costing £675.00 (ex VAT) and travel was approved.

C26.90 Next Meeting **Agenda Item 20**

Members noted that the next Full Council Meeting will be held:

Monday 12 October 2026 at the Victoria Hall, Main Street, Grange-over-Sands, 7pm

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.10pm

Signed:

Dated:

Chair, Grange-over-Sands Town Council