

TOWN COUNCIL OF GRANGE-OVER-SANDS

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Cllr. Roger Handley

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Dear Councillor

You are summoned to attend the Meeting of the Town Council in accordance with Schedule 12 para.10(2) (b) of the Local Government Act 1972, to be held in the Victoria Hall, on Monday 9 December 2024 at 7.00pm.

Note: Under the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 this meeting was advertised as a public meeting and as such could be filmed or recorded by broadcasters, the media, or the public.

Signed

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'C. Benbow', written over a light blue horizontal line.

C. Benbow, Town Clerk

AGENDA FULL COUNCIL MONDAY 9 DECEMBER 2024

1. Apologies for Absence

To receive and approve apologies from members.

2. Public Participation: Have Your Say

Have Your Say: Members of the public are invited to speak.

3. Reports

To receive the following reports:

- a. Westmorland and Furness Council Report
- b. Mayor's Report

4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

To authorise the Chairman to sign the Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on Monday 11 November 2024 as a true record.

5. Declaration of Interests and Dispensations

Members to disclose their interests in matters to be discussed and to decide requests for dispensations.

6. Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960

To consider if any items should be considered without the presence of the press and public, pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 Section 2.

7. Planning

To consider Planning Applications as circulated and to note submissions to planning applications considered under delegated authority (*circulated*).

8. Monthly Payments Councillor Verification and Payment Approval

- a. To note that prior to the meeting two councillors verified invoices received and payments made since the last full council meeting and can verify their authenticity.
- b. To note that two councillors verified that the monthly bank reconciliation has taken place.
- c. To approve and authorise the payment of accounts and wages as recorded in the payments list.
- d. To identify and approve two councillors to complete the online authorisation of the payments for the next payment period.
- e. To identify and approve two councillors to verify the invoices and payments for the next payment period.

9. Finance and Governance

a. Casual Vacancies

There is a casual vacancy on the Town Council. Informal meetings will take place on Wednesday 29 January, and voting at the February 2025 Town Council meeting. Anyone interested in getting involved is invited to contact the Town Clerk or the Chairman for more information, or see www.grangeoversandstowncouncil.gov.uk

b. Internal Audit

To note the interim half-year Internal Audit report to 30 Sept 2024 following the Internal Audit on 21 November 2024. There were no recommendations. The Internal Auditor confirmed that the Council finances are operated in compliance with the Accounts and Audit Regulations (*circulated*).

c. Draft Budget 2025/26

To consider the draft Budget and report 2025/26 (*circulated*).

10. Consultations

To consider the Council's participation in appropriate consultations:

a. **Westmorland and Furness Council - Help to shape future of your waste and recycling collections**

WFC are inviting stakeholders to share their thoughts on current services by completing the survey at: www.surveymonkey.com/r/WFwastesurvey

Paper copies are available in the library.

The closing date for responses is 20 December 2024 (*correspondence circulated*).

b. **Westmorland and Furness Council (Consolidation of Speed Limits) Consultation**

Grange Fell Road: Proposed extension of the existing 30mph speed limit.

To consider this statutory consultation, which follows the initial consultation, which the Town Council responded to in October 2024 as below:

RESOLVED

- i) That Grange Town Council responds to the consultation to support the extension of the existing 30mph speed limit at Grange Fell Road.
- ii) That the Town Council requests that the existing 30mph speed limit is further extended along Grange Fell Road to the junction with Hags Lane.

Deadline for responses: 20 December 2024 (*circulated*).

11. Updates from Members

To receive Councillor updates on works in progress and meetings and events attended, including:

- a. Cllr. J. Walmsley – Cumbria Tourism Meetings
- b. Cllr. J. Walmsley – WFC and Police 'Safety in Community' meeting 14 November
- c. Cllr. C. Logan – 78th Christmas Tree Lighting 30 November

12. Victoria Hall

a. **Legionella**

To consider the draft Legionella Policy and Risk Assessment for the Victoria Hall and public conveniences (*circulated*).

b. **Victoria Hall Christmas Fair**

To receive a report from Cllr. Thomas on the event, which took place on Saturday 30 November.

c. **Concert Club Piano**

To formally accept the gift of the Concert Club grand piano and thank the Concert Club (*circulated*).

13. Westmorland and Furness Council Updates

a. **Public Space Protection Orders**

To note correspondence from WFC following their consultation (*correspondence circulated*).

b. **Footpath Notice**

To note footpath closure at Yewbarrow (*circulated*).

c. **Grit Bins**

To note that residents can check if the grit bin on their street is owned by WFC by using the postcode search on the map on the website <https://www.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/salt-bins>.

If it is, and they find it empty, anyone can submit this on the highways online reporting form on the WFC website or call the Highways Hotline on 0300 373 3306.

14. Christmas Lights

To note an update from the Town Clerk on the provision by Lite Ltd.

15. Allotments

To note an update from Cllr. Mason on the works to replace the fence at Grange Fell allotments.

16. Training

CALC Councillor Training

To note that Cllr. Tych attended the Councillor 1 online course on 21 November 2024, 7pm.

17. Staffing

To note the draft minutes of the Staffing Committee held Wednesday 20 November 2024 and consider the recommendations to Full Council (*circulated*).

18. Next Meeting

To note that the next Full Council Meeting will be held:

Monday 13 January 2025 at the Victoria Hall, Main Street, Grange-over-Sands, 7pm