## AGENDA - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

1. **Apologies: To receive apologies for absence**
2. **Review of Minutes of Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 15th May 2024 -circulated.**
3. **Election of Chairman & Signing of Declaration of Acceptance of Office.**
4. **Election of Vice Chairman.**
5. **Election of Committees:**
6. Planning
7. Finance

**6 Nominations to external bodies:**

1. Lindale Village Hall
2. Newton Village Hall
3. Taylor Newton & Hibbert Charity
4. Tree Warden
5. Highways Liaison
6. Parish Council Internal Auditor.

## ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

 **At 7.15 pm**

1. **Introduction and Welcome by Chair 2024/25 - Cllr Roger Armstrong**
2. **Chair’s Annual Report of Parish Council activities for 2024/25.**

To maintain and improve the standard of the open spaces in the parish we have had to increase our Parish Precept by 4.93%, although this increase did not appear as such on your community charge statement. We would have preferred not to do so but the increase is less than £5 per year for a typical village property in council tax band E.

We are very grateful to our contractors Dean Shaw and Emanuel Estevez who continue to take pride in their work having noticeably improved several areas. We are also grateful to the volunteers who do an excellent job of keeping some areas tidy that would otherwise become neglected. We are also grateful to Ian Knowles who continues work maintaining the Wilkinson Monument area and Lishman family for keeping the bus shelters clean and tidy and Andrew Brown who volunteers to maintain verges on Grange road. All our contractors are approachable and flexible in their schedules to accommodate various events particularly at High Newton but please contact us if you have any issues.

Since the last AGM the Parish Council has considered 13 planning applications, notably the Lloyds development which was granted approval this morning.

The Parish Council organised and took part in a litter pick in the parish earlier in the spring. We are grateful to the residents who regularly pick litter around the Parish, and those who joined us on the litter picks as well as a volunteer from local PEAT Organisation.

We are delighted to welcome Nicole Write to the Parish and the Parish Council, for Lindale Ward, we still have a vacancy in the Newton ward. If you feel one of these roles may suit you please speak to me after the meeting.

I’d like to thank my fellow councillors for their support and for the work they do to maintain and improve the environment of our Parish. I’d also like to thank our Clerk, Debbie, for her significant contribution to the work of the Council.

As for the future I feel there are several important issues we hope to address:-

* The proliferation of Holiday cottages in the Parish and associated issues.
* Increased traffic and parking issues.
* Our relationship with the LDNPA
* A general appeal to tidy up and remove bins from verges and public view.
* We would be happy to hear of any other issues and of any way you can aid the Parish Council in its endeavours to make the parish a pleasant place for our residents.

**Roger Armstrong**

**Chair Lindale and Newton Parish Council**

**May 2025**

1. **Q & A - Parish Councillors and Westmorland and Furness Councillor**
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***Following the AGM, refreshments will be served,***

***we hope you will be able to join us!***