

## Irton with Santon Parish Meeting

### Minutes

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2026

Members Steve Glasson (SG) – Chair

Tonia Noakes - Clerk

Trish Adams (TA)

Ian Warren (IW)

Ken Noakes (KN)

Eric Robson (ER)

40-01-25 Apologies: Eric Robson apologies

41-01-25 Approve Minutes of last meeting 9<sup>th</sup> February 2026 to include any matters arising. Signed by the Chairman.

42-01-25 Declaration of interest if a councillor has an interest in the matter being discussed he or she would need to declare it and act in accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the council.

a. Register of Interests: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests.

b. To declare any personal interests in items on the agenda and their nature.

c. To declare any prejudicial interests in items on the agenda and their nature (Councillors with prejudicial interests must leave the room for the relevant items)

None

#### **43-01-25 Fibrus Update – Hyperfast GB SG**

The Parish Councillors hosted a meeting with Fibrus- Hyperfast GB principally for the areas that were most at risk of not getting Fibrus and establish the pinch points. SG said the meeting was successful and residents are engaging directly with Hyperfast GB and were appreciative of the Parish Councils support.

SG will continue to receive updates on progress.

#### **44-01.25 Risk Assessment Update – KN**

KN and SG conducted a risk of the four quarries within the parish. The conclusion was all gates and signage were in good order since the installation on in 2021. A few trees have come down inside the main quarry however they do not pose a problem and restrict access to dangerous area.

KN will provide a Risk Assessment report. KN returned the file containing the all the historical paperwork in connection with 'rights of common.'

**45-01-25 Lengths man Duties** – TN had received a brief email from Jonnty Harrison asking if he needed to send invoices. This is the first time he had contacted the Parish Council since he had visited the clerks home address in June 2025 requesting payment. The clerk has not since a current insurance policy or invoices/description of works. All agreed that a copy of the current insurance should be requested along with invoices and description of works conducted.

**46-01-25 Cumberland Council - speed control measures.** IW requested an update, TN advised that she had contacted Highways with a cover email drawing attention to the length of time that has passed since the speed control measures had been agreed. The email trail of IW communications with Highways was sent. TN had not received a response and she would chase.

**47-01-25 Footpaths** IW requested that the Footpath project team meet up for a review and report back at the next meeting.

**48-01.25 Road repairs planned for C4206 past the Woodlands – TA**

TA saw a report from Josh McAllister Labour MP where he talked about extra money for road repairs for the year 2026-2027 and subsequent years thereafter. Within the report the C4025 Irton Hall to Santon Bridge was identified for repair. For the third time TA had reported this extremely dangerous part of the road via the Cumberland website and a response was received stating that there was action to repair. TA confirmed that she will remain in contact with Cumberland Council to ensure this repair was conducted.

**49-01-25 Parish Clerk Financial Update.**

AGAR paperwork has been received from external auditors, and the end of year accounts are in progress.

Nat West current balance £9540.99 all councillors viewed online banking balance.

**GOV.UK**

Our website has been evaluated by WAVE and is compliant. TN had also unloaded an Accessibility Statement and was currently working on the website to make it more user friendly.

The domains team at the Cabinet Office have been emailed to ask for permission for a gov.uk domain.

Hostworld who we currently use are approved providers of gov.uk domains and TN contacted them to find the costs. £120 + VAT for 2 years for domain name and email address.

The benefits of gov.uk domain are.

- Using a gov.uk domain name shows that your services, emails, and websites are from a trusted UK public sector.
- A.gov.uk domain name is monitored for potential security vulnerabilities, which will be reported to you by the Protecting Public Sector Domains Team at the Cabinet Office. This ensures that your website and services remain secure and trustworthy.
- A.gov.uk domain name gives your domain better legal protection because it is based in a UK jurisdiction.
- Help to fulfil best practise that ensures that our parish council adheres to recommended standards for transparency, accountability, and governance.

All agreed to go ahead.

### **Cumbria Police Egremont Neighbourhood Policing**

TN email received from CALC with regards to changes for future meetings of Egremont Neighbour Policing instead of just two representatives from each council within a locality being invited to attend these meetings the invite will be extended to any councillor or clerk who would like to attend their locality meeting. SG and KN advised the next meeting is on the 6<sup>th</sup> May 2026 one or both will attend.

50-01-25 Councillors reports on meeting attended on behalf of the PC, items for future agendas.

51-01-25 Date of next meeting Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2026

Signed by the Chairman .....Date .....