

# *Lower Allithwaite Parish Council*



## *Chairman's Annual Report May 2019 - April 2020*

I have to start this year's annual report on a sad note in that Cllr Mary Bird, who had been a long standing stalwart of the council and a dedicated teacher at Cartmel Primary school for many years, died suddenly on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2020. She will be sadly missed and our condolences and thoughts are with family and friends.

This year's Annual Report on the activities of Lower Allithwaite Parish Council which is now subject to the Covid-19 restrictions on meetings and social isolation. The Parish Council has agreed the following during the current Covid-19 crisis:

**The Clerk**

Should the Clerk be infected and unable to continue then the Chairman would deal with business and delegate actions as he sees fit.

**Meetings**

All meeting have been put on hold from April to June 2020. Projects have gone into hibernation, planning committees have been suspended by SLDC, the only agenda item would be finance and currently all our providers have been advised that due to the current crisis, cheques for signing will have to wait until social exclusion is lifted.

**Delegation**

Council have delegated the following during the duration of the crisis:

- Response to Correspondence – The Clerk - consultation with Chairman on sensitive matters.
- Approval of Finance – Chairman – cheques will still need two signatures. This gives an overview by second councillor. The Clerk to arrange for signature.

The Council has discharged its local duties always with the intention of securing the continued preservation of the amenities we enjoy. We have been very well supported by our local District Councillor Gillian Gardner and by our County Councillor Sue Sanderson.

The Parish Council currently has 10 Councillors divided into 3 wards, however, the council should be represented by 15 councillors which means we currently have 5 vacancies:

**Allithwaite:** Cllr Mike Lamb (Chair)  
Cllr Christine France  
Cllr Roy Robinson  
Cllr Steve Sim  
Vacant x 3

**Cartmel:** Cllr Barry Dean  
Cllr Chris Anderson  
Cllr David Huggett  
Cllr Mark Simpson  
Cllr Rowena Lewis  
Vacant x 1

**Upper Holker:** Cllr Caroline Johnson (Vice-Chair)  
Vacant x 1

**County Councillor:** Cllr Sue Sanderson  
**District Councillor:** Cllr Gillian Gardner

**Parish Clerk:** Phil Turner

At the next council elections due in May 2021 the Parish Council will be reduced to 2 wards , Allithwaite and Cartmel, and 11 councillors. This has been agreed and approved by SLDC but cannot be implemented until the next elections in May 2021.

During another busy year, the Parish Council has continued to work on maintaining and improving facilities in the villages and surrounding areas, with a strong focus on ensuring that all of our residents and visitors can enjoy a beautiful, safe, clean and pleasant environment.

We have tried to provide the facilities that local people want, and to deal with any problems, very often by working in partnership with other community organisations and public bodies.

In the past year, the Parish Council has given donations to a number of local groups. The funding supports specific projects which benefit our community and contribute to the life of the Parish.

The speed and volume of traffic in the villages, particularly on the B5277, have continued to be a key concern for Councillors and residents, along with the perennial problem of cars obstructing the pavement. Responsibility for highways lies with CCC, but the Parish Council has made strenuous efforts to raise local issues with our County Councillor and CCC officers, and to work in partnership with other organisations, such as Cumbria Police, where appropriate. We have also indicated to CCC our priorities for the Local Transport Plan, placing the emphasis on safety for pedestrians, particularly those who are elderly or disabled, use a wheelchair or have young children.

The Parish Council has undertaken a number of tasks recently in Allithwaite, with a new window installed in the bus shelter and a new resting bench installed. The Vicarage Lane hedge which boundaries the lane and parish field has been cut back after concerns from residents.

A number of bollards have been installed on Church Road where the verge close to the church and school has been used as a car park damaging the verge and blocking the footpath making users walk into the road around the vehicles. After concerns from residents and mothers with buggies and children it was decided to install the bollards with relevant signage asking drivers not to park on the foot path.

The Allithwaite triangle finger post which was past repairing and looked untidy and also had a couple of fingers missing has been replaced with a new green one showing distances to Grange, Cartmel and Flookburgh.

We examine all planning applications applicable to the Parish and comment as we feel appropriate. The major applications this year has been the proposal to build 39 houses in Cartmel and the proposed Micro-brewery in Allithwaite. We had several concerns about these developments and submitted objections based upon the scale of the developments, the risk of flooding, the capacity of the existing infrastructure to cope, traffic issues, impact on the environment and the issue of the entrance to both sites.

We reviewed the grass cutting and were pleased with the work that he had done during the previous year. It was therefore decided to renew the contract for the next 12 months with a slight increase in costs.

The Parish Council website continues to be updated with all documentation, planning applications, news and events: [www.allithwaiteandcartmel.co.uk/](http://www.allithwaiteandcartmel.co.uk/)

The coming year will see concerted effort on the production of the Neighbourhood Plan to underpin our work, and we have currently held meetings in Cartmel and Allithwaite (September 2019) with a questionnaire which was available and distributed to residents and local businesses, seeking views on how they see the Parishes' now and in the future.

Members of the public are always welcome to attend Parish Council meetings which are held at 7.15pm on the second Thursday of each month (except for August) in Cartmel (Supper Room) Village Hall and, with prior written application, raise any issue of particular concern.

To help us communicate with all residents, we continue to give as much information as possible via our website and the monthly newsletter. We welcome as many residents as possible to join us and to put articles of local interest onto the webpage and/or in the newsletter.

It is worth reminding that the Parish Council is a statutory body and must abide by Standing Orders. This means that procedures have to be followed which gives the appearance that the Parish Council is slow to progress matters. This is inevitable given that Parish Councillors have a right to vote on every decision made by the Council.

For details of council's work and committee meetings agenda and minutes, please see our website: [www.allithwaiteandcartmel.co.uk/](http://www.allithwaiteandcartmel.co.uk/) or contact the Parish Clerk: [lapc.clerk@gmail.com](mailto:lapc.clerk@gmail.com).

I would like to express my gratitude and appreciation to our Clerk, Phil Turner, for his efficiency and professionalism, to our Groundsman for looking after our environment with such care and commitment, and to my fellow Parish Councillors for their hard work and team spirit during the last twelve months.

Special thanks must also go to Cllr Sue Sanderson (CCC) and Cllr Gillian Gardner (SLDC) for their help, support and advice, it has been invaluable and much appreciated.

Finally, I must thank Cllr Caroline Johnson for her help and support, not only as my Vice-Chair, but stepping up when I was on leave, to chair Parish Council meetings and continue the work of the council.

*Mike Lamb*

Chairman  
Lower Allithwaite Parish Council

May 2020

## **About the Parish Council**

Parish Councils are statutory bodies and the first tier of local government, at the heart of the community. Lower Allithwaite Parish Council is apolitical and made up of 10 Councillors supported by the Clerk. The councillors are all volunteers.

The Parish Council receives income from a number of sources but the main one is our “precept”, which residents pay as part of their Council Tax. The Council’s activities fall into 3 main areas: representing the local community; working with partners to deliver services to meet local needs and striving to improve the quality of life and community well-being across Allithwaite and Cartmel.

## **Donations**

The Parish Council is proud of its local voluntary and community sector and tries to support local groups and activities where it sees real benefits to the parish and its residents. The PC isn't a grant giving organisation to outside organisations, however, we will donate funds to particular organisations/projects depending on the subject matter or will purchase a piece of relatively inexpensive piece of equipment.

During the current Covid-19 pandemic the Parish Council donated £500 to the Cumbria Community Foundation Trust which offers grants to organisations and projects within Cumbria.

## **Planning Applications**

Planning matters have again this year exercised our attention where the endeavour has been to maintain the character and beauty of the neighbourhood.

The Parish Council prides itself on understanding all the applications that come before it for comment. It must be remembered that it is South Lakeland District Council who makes the decision on applications after asking for comments from the Parish Council.

The Parish Council is supportive of sustainable proposals but cannot always support applications when all matters are considered. The total number of planning applications received during the reporting period was 51 with 18 being rejected by the Parish Council, however, our objections were noted before SLDC approved the majority of the refused applications.

We are currently awaiting the outcome of our objections to the micro-brewery at Greenfield House in Allithwaite.

## **Communication**

The Parish Council is committed to keeping parishioners informed through our newsletter and website. Although there is a cost the council believes in a rural community this is the best way of making sure everyone gets to know what is happening in the Parish.

## **Charities and Working Groups**

The Parish Council has representatives on the following charities and working groups:

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| 1. Cartmel Village Hall Management                 | - Cllr D Huggett                  |
| 2. Holker Upper United Charities                   | - Cllr C Anderson                 |
| 3. Cartmel Institute                               | - Cllr C Johnson                  |
| 4. Lambert Educational Trust                       | - Vacant                          |
| 5. Cartmel Old Grammar School Foundation           | - Cllr D Huggett                  |
| 6. Allithwaite Playing Fields and Community Centre | - Cllr S Sim                      |
| 7. King George V Playing Fields                    | - Cllr C France                   |
| 8. Cartmel Primary School                          | - Cllr D Huggett                  |
| 9. Allithwaite Primary School                      | - Cllr C France                   |
| 10. Allithwaite School House                       | - Vacant                          |
| 11. Cartmel Cemetery                               | - Cllr D Huggett                  |
| 12. Parish Cottage                                 | - Cllrs Sim, Huggett and Robinson |

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| 13. Allotment                  | - Cllrs Sim and Huggett             |
| 14. Toilet Working Group       | - Cllrs Johnson, Dean and Lamb      |
| 15. Neighbourhood Plan         | - Cllrs Lamb, Dean, Sim and Johnson |
| 16. Environmental Action Group | - Cllrs Dean, Lamb and Johnson      |
| 17. Bank Signatories           | - Cllrs Lamb, Huggett and Johnson   |

Policies and Procedure revised during the reporting period:

1. Financial Regulations and Risk Assessment
2. Community Orchard and Meadow
3. Code of Conduct
4. General Data Protection Regulation

Parish Council Management Plans revised during the reporting period:

1. Allithwaite Quarry
2. Community Plan
3. Community Orchard and Meadow

## **ACTIVITIES DURING 2019-2020**

### **A-BOARDS**

A-boards are advertisements and are normally subject to planning control. Unauthorised adverts are an offence and liable to prosecution. There are frequent complaints from residents which Cllr Gardner has asked the SLDC enforcement officers to log the complaints as an enforcement case and they will carry out the necessary investigations and will determine whether or not a breach of planning control has occurred and take appropriate action.

### **ALLITHWAITE POST OFFICE AND SHOP**

Due to retirement the post office and shop in Allithwaite closed on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2020.

However, Post Office Ltd is to restore Post Office service to Allithwaite with a hosted outreach service at Allithwaite Bowling Club, Quarry Lane, Allithwaite, Grange-over-Sands, LA11 7QJ.

The service will be provided by the Postmaster for Grange-over-Sands. It will operate on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 1.30 – 3.30pm. The start date is yet to be decided but should be before the end of May 2020.

### **ALTERNATIVE CAR PARK - CARTMEL**

The Alison and Morrison report (2014) identified nine potential sites for alternative car parking but only three were considered potentially viable in the short to medium term namely within the paddock alongside The Causeway, at Headless Cross and directly opposite the Priory Secondary School.

There would be many hurdles to clear before an alternative site for a second car park could be considered which was the main reason why the option at the time was discounted by A & M.

### **ALLITHWAITE AND CARTMEL NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN – 2018-2025**

The Parish Council are continuing the work of delivering the schemes that residents had identified as part of the Consultation process and your views and suggestions would be again be welcome. Contact the parish clerk on [lapc.clerk@gmail.com](mailto:lapc.clerk@gmail.com). Further information can be viewed via the website [www.allithwaiteandcartmel-nplan.co.uk](http://www.allithwaiteandcartmel-nplan.co.uk) where all the documents relating to the plan can be viewed.

In the next few months two, subject to relaxation of the rules on meetings, we are hoping to hold in Allithwaite and Cartmel drop-in events to discuss the draft and final Neighbourhood Plan.

The final plan is sent to an outside assessor before being ratified in a referendum (all elections have been put on hold by the government until May 2021) which all residents in the Parish will receive a copy of the plan before voting on its acceptance or rejection.

### **ALLITHWAITE COMMUNITY ORCHARD AND MEADOW**

A good crop of apples have been available in the orchard this year, when ready yellow discs are attached to the tree indicating they are ready and if they are eating or cooking types. Residents have been harvesting apples from the over the forty varieties during the harvesting period and several apple trees have been planted at no cost to the Council.

### **ALLITHWAITE AND CARTMEL - '20 is Plenty'**

Many villagers have asked if '20 is plenty' speed restrictions could be introduced. CCC are not enthusiastic because of the difficulty of enforcement as well as cost (which would fall against the Parish); however, they are to respond in the future with a proposal. Setting in place 20 mph speed restrictions is a lengthy statutory process.

### **CONSERVATION AREA MANAGEMENT PLAN (CAMP)**

CVS started this project some 5 years ago and are the lead body. They have set up a Project Steering Group consisting of representatives from SLDC, LAPC and CVS, to oversee the project.

The Neighbourhood Plan (NPlan) is not dependant on the CAMP. The NPlan already has under paragraphs 2.1.3 – 2.1.10 details of the conservation area, the CAMP report will form Annex 5 of the final plan.

### **COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH**

The community speed watch teams have been operational recently in the 30 MPH zones within Allithwaite, Cartmel and Lower Holker. In the main most drivers were compliant with the speed limit or just slightly over but within the Chief Constables Recommendations.

The equipment used has been authorised by the police and is calibrated on a regular basis as recommended, training of teams has been given by Cumbria Police.

### **COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW**

For many years there has been confusion regarding the name of our Parish being Lower Allithwaite, this has been mainly due to the similarity in name as Upper Allithwaite (Upper Allithwaite changed its name to Lindale and Newton-in-Cartmel in 2018), it seems appropriate to consider a name change that represented the geographical location and identity of the parish more clearly.

Consultation took place during November and December 2019 with articles in the Parish newsletter, placed on the Parish Website and displayed on noticeboards.

The consultation period closed on the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019 and no objections were received, therefore, the Parish Council have written to SLDC requesting that the Parish name be changed to 'Allithwaite and Cartmel Parish Council'. Due to the current situation this has been delayed.

### **CARTMEL TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER (TRO)**

Cumbria County Council Highways Department who are the responsible body for the Cartmel TRO are to start a review of its operation. Anyone wishing to make representation should address their comments to [trafficteam.south@cumbria.gov.uk](mailto:trafficteam.south@cumbria.gov.uk) or write direct to County Hall in Kendal marked for the attention of the Traffic Team. Correspondence should be headed 'The Cartmel TRO'.

### **CARTMEL FOOTBRIDGE**

After more than 5 years overcoming numerous obstacles and the added receipt of SLDC, LIP, CCC and LEADER Grants, fabrication of the footbridge over the River Eea close to the main road bridge is nearing completion. The Parish Council will shortly confirm a date for installation with an official opening after the current lockdown restrictions are lifted..

### **CARTMEL BICYCLE RACK**

One of the objectives of the Cartmel Township Initiative was to deliver a permanent bicycle rack in Devonshire Square. Again there have been delays outside the Groups control but a Street Works Agreement can now be signed with CCC Highways Department which should see its installation opposite The Mallard Café before the summer.

### **CARTMEL TOILETS – FORD ROAD**

The outcome of our Grant Application towards the cost of replacing the toilets has been approved at £20,000 which has been ratified by SLDC. Next stage is submitting a planning application before securing the funding to get the toilets refurbished as soon as possible.

### **CARTMEL RACE DAYS**

Again it was chaos in Cartmel due to coaches parked along Allithwaite, Cartmel and Ford Roads, due to the closure of the coach park with no plan B. Numerous meetings with Holker have not been able to find a satisfactory solution.

### **COMMUNITY PLAN – 2018 – 2028**

The first Community Plan was published in 2013 following the most ambitious consultation exercise undertaken by the Parish Council in decades and now the Parish Council are reviewing and updating the plan in light of current developments. A great deal of what we set out in the first Community Plan has been achieved or is ongoing.

Having adopted this Community Plan, Lower Allithwaite Parish Council is committed to promoting and developing the aims, objectives and actions outlined in the Action Plan. It will take measures to manage its budget and resources in the delivery of the Plan and will keep residents informed about the progress made. The Action Plan provides a transparent framework which will enable regular monitoring to take place.

### **DEFIBRILLATOR - CARTMEL**

Following contributions from Cartmel Trust, the Priory, Cartmel Village Society, Unsworth Yard and the Parish Council a Defibrillator will shortly be installed close to ‘Cartmel Cheese’ which will be available in Devonshire Square.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION SUB-GROUP (EAG) - FLOODING AND SEWAGE PROBLEMS**

The Sub-Group, under the auspices of the Parish Council, met on to discuss the way forward and produce an action plan. It was agreed that it was essential to have up-to-date information on how many residents in Cartmel are affected by flooding and sewage problems.

The meeting agreed the Sub-Group should continue to be linked to the Parish Council. Mike Lamb to be Liaison Member and Communications Officer. It was agreed Barry Dean would Chair the Sub-Group for the time being and similarly Craig Lawson agreed to be Secretary and Minute taker.

### **FLY-TIPPING**

It has been reported that someone has deposited waste material, ie: fly tipping, on Wartbarrow Lane.

Fly-tipping is the dumping of rubbish on private or Council owned land without permission, or rubbish dumped on land where the owners do not have a Waste Management Licence.

Fly-tipping is a serious criminal offence for which individuals can be prosecuted. If anyone is aware of persons dumping rubbish, please contact the Parish Clerk with details: [lapc.clerk@gmail.com](mailto:lapc.clerk@gmail.com).

### **HAGGS LANE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT**

The Developer submitted a Planning Consent revision to reduce the number of affordable homes from 14 to 8. The Parish Council submitted a strong letter of objection to SLDC protesting in the strongest terms, this would deny residents or those working for our village businesses the opportunity to either rent or purchase a home of their own.

Our objections have not been taken into account, therefore, the Parish Council wonder why the opinions of councillors and residents are apparently being ignored when it was made clear at the outset, PC support was conditional on the delivery of the required proportion of affordable homes.

### **INCONSIDERATE CAR PARKING**

Once again residents have contacted councillors about irresponsible parking. The Parish Council would ask motorists to be aware of where they are parking and not to park across dropped kerbs which are there to enable people with restricted mobility, and children in pushchairs, to get around.

Parking at road junctions and corners obstructs viewing for both motorists and pedestrians causing potential major road hazards. The Police and County Council Traffic enforcement are aware of these problems. Please use a little common sense and park with a thought for other road users and pedestrians.

### **MINI LIBRARY - ALLITHWAITE**

Since the library opened the response has proved very positive; no incidents of misuse and the comment sheets (in double figures) and many verbal comments have been extremely positive and appreciative.

We have a generous supply of books of all genres. There have been requests for books on military history and books for teenagers so if anyone can help please leave the books at the Lantern which is the collecting point. The library is frequently monitored, and stock rotated. Since opening in March 2019 over 1,000 books have been taken out and returned.

It was necessary to close the library due to the coronavirus threat, it is hoped to re-open in June.

### **MINI LIBRARY – CARTMEL**

Cartmel Free Mini Library was opened for a short period before the current lockdown restrictions. It is situated in the grounds of Cartmel Village Hall and it is hoped that this facility will in its own small way enhance village life and will be as successful as the library in Allithwaite. The library was funded by the WI, various local organisations and Community Health on Call (ChoC).

Cheryl and Chris Hill, Ye Priory Shoppe, have kindly offered to oversee the library. Donated books, and jigsaws, can be left with Cheryl and Chris at the Ye Priory Shoppe. Books and jigsaws returned after use should be placed on the top shelf in the library. When we know how Chris and Cheryl want to run the library, we'll let you know through the newsletter and a poster in the library.

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### **NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**

In December, following an increase in crime, a group of residents formed a neighbourhood watch group led by co-ordinator Michael Thornborough from Grange Gardeners.

The aim is to help prevent crime in the area, and the Allithwaite and District watch group is using WhatsApp and Facebook as a fast communicative way of warning people of potential crime. The group is currently covering Allithwaite, Cartmel, Cark and Kents Bank. If you live in any of these areas and want to join, please text or call Michael (07796 674861) and he will add you to the group.

### **NEWSLETTER**

The Parish Council produces a monthly newsletter which is distributed across the Parish with the publication Grange Now. A copy of the newsletter is also placed on the website: [www.allithwaiteandcartmekl.co.uk/](http://www.allithwaiteandcartmekl.co.uk/). During the current coronavirus crisis the Parish Council is placing on the website, with a copy to all councillors for distribution, a weekly update on the current Covid-19 situation.

### **QUARRY – ALLITHWAITE**

There are several issues which will require a substantial amount of funding, some from the Parish Council and from other funding sources.

We plan to create a self-guided trail linking the Quarry lime works with a variety of routes that will provide the public with an enjoyable journey through the old industrial and wildlife rich landscape.

The updated Quarry Management Plan is on the Parish Council website.

### **RACECOURSE / PARKING EYE - ANPR**

The introduction of the ANPR (Automatic Number Plate Recognition) system was installed on the 9<sup>th</sup> October 2019. Charges start at £1 for an hour and increase up to £10 for the day and £35 for a week. There will be no barrier and there will be a 15 minute free period for turning around, dropping off, comfort break etc.

Arrangements have been made between Holker and various groups, eg: Scouts, Footballers, etc to waive parking fees. Disputes about parking can only be resolved by contacting the company not the Parish Council.

### **ST. MARY'S CHURCH - ALLITHWAITE COMMONWEALTH WAR GRAVE**

At long last the war grave of Kents Bank resident Flight Lieutenant John Edmund Haywood has been recognised by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission by a simple green plaque at the entrance of the church and cemetery. It may seem to some that this is an irrelevant event but the CWC green sign allows the public to recognise we do have a recognised war grave of a serving airman.

### **VILLAGE ROADS AND PAVEMENTS**

The Parish Council have received a number of concerns with regards to the condition of a number of roads, lanes, streets and pavements in Allithwaite and Cartmel. Councilors have taken time to walk around the village areas and list areas with potholes, badly broken surfaces on roads and pavements etc. The lists have been forwarded to the County Council Highways Department hopefully for some action or part action. The saying "Don't hold your breath" does spring to mind but we've tried.

## FINANCE REPORT – 2019-2020

The Parish Council employs the Parish Clerk as its Responsible Financial Officer. The budget was set by Councillors in December 2019 for the following financial year and it is at this time that Councillors consider financing future and ongoing projects.

### Annual Accounts year ended 31st March 2020

Receipts	
Precept	£38,000.00
Cottage	£ 4,800.00
Cemetery	£ 800.00
Allotments	£ 180.00
CIL – Grant	£ 1,790.00
Sundry	£40,797.00
VAT repayments	£ 4,082.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£90,449.00</b>

Payments	
Newsletter	£ 2,352.00
Cottage	£ 500.00
Cemetery	£ 1,000.00
Orchard / Ground	£ 8,000.00
Fees / Insurance / Audit	£ 1,000.00
Grants	£ 6,000.00
Admin / Salary / Room hire	£ 9,250.00
Office Supplies / Equipment	£ 500.00
Neighbourhood Plan / Parish Plan	£ 3,500.00
Website	£ 250.00
Allotments	£ 250.00
CIL	£ 4,586.00
VAT	£17,296.00
Allithwaite Community Project	£ 2,831.86
Cartmel Toilets	£ 2,000.00
Cartmel Township Initiative (CTI)	£19,603.00
Allithwaite Quarry	£ 4,000.00
Highways / Active Travel	£ 500.00
Sundry	£ 5,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£88,688.86</b>

The following donations were awarded during the period:

Organisation	Description	Amount
Cartmel Defibrillator	Contribute to Defib	£ 500.00
Cartmel Play Ground	Repair and maintain wall	£1,500.00
Pump Track – Allithwaite Playing Field	Resurfacing track	£3,000.00
Cumbria Community Foundation	Supports projects within Cumbria	£ 500.00
Others		£1,000.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£6,500.00</b>

## BUDGET – LOWER ALLLITHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL - 2020-2021

BUDGET	DESCRIPTION	BUDGET ALLOCATION
Office Supplies and Equipment	General	£ 500
	Capital	£ 0
Grounds / Lengthsman	Triangles	£ 500
	Village Verges	£ 1,000
	Grass cutting	£ 4,000
	General maintenance	£ 1,000
Orchard / Meadow	Footpath	£ 1,000
	General maintenance	£ 500
Quarry	General maintenance	£ 2,000
	Management Plan	£ 2,000
Highways	General	£ 500
Cartmel Toilets	Operation	£ 1,500
	Maintenance	£ 500
Cartmel Township Initiative (CTI)		£ 0
Cottage	General maintenance	£ 500
Cartmel Environmental Group	General	£11,000
Miscellaneous	Focus Groups	£ 500
	Fish Slabs (Cartmel)	£ 1,500

<b>Budget Total:</b>	<b>£28,500</b>
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**LOWER ALLITHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL – PLANNING APPLICATIONS MAY 2019 – APRIL 2020**

<b>APPLICATION NUMBER</b>	<b>PLANNING LOCATION</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>PARISH COUNCIL DECISION</b>	<b>SLDC DECISION</b>
SL/2019/0097	2 and 3 Park View Cartmel LA11 6QF	Retention of a pair of semi-detached garages with first floor ancillary residential accommodation over	Refuse	Full Planning with conditions
SL/2019/0180	Field Beck Barn Garth Cartmel LA11 6PP	Creation of a pedestrian gateway	No objection	Full Planning with conditions
SL/2019/0352	Speel Bank Bungalow Beckside Cartmel LA11 7SP	Extension with first floor and dormers, covered outdoor seating area and raised decking area	Refuse	Full Planning with conditions
SL/2019/0369	Ruskloof Holme Lane Allithwaite LA11 7QD	Two storey side extension	No objection	Full Planning with conditions
SL/2019/0382	Birkby Hall Cottage Cark in Cartmel LA11 7NP	Erection of detached double garage	No objection	Full Planning with conditions
SL/2019/0427	Outerthwaite Farm Allithwaite Road Flookburgh LA11 7JP	Agricultural building to provide covered livestock feeding area and storage	No objection	Full Planning with conditions
SL/2019/0428	Middle Birkby Farm Cark-In- Cartmel LA11 7NP	Agricultural building to provide livestock housing and general storage	No objection	Full Planning with conditions
SL/2019/0443	Town Close The Square Cartmel LA11 6QB	Single storey rear extension and internal and external alterations	Refuse	Refused
SL/2019/0446	The Pastures Lodge Park Templand Lane Allithwaite LA11 7QY	Siting of 4 camping pods, laying of stone for drive / parking and connection to existing waste water treatment plant	Refuse	Full Planning with conditions
SL/2019/0489	Finlandia Jack Hill Allithwaite LA11 7RL	Alterations to include a single storey rear extension with wrap around terrace over, flat roof dormer to the rear elevation, and raising of gable roof to main ridge height. Detached garage and car port with regrading of driveway to allow for a parking and turning area and widening of vehicular access.	No objection	Full Planning with conditions
SL/2019/0495	The Pastures Lodge Park Templand Lane Allithwaite LA11 7QY	Siting one holiday lodge with hardstanding for parking and foul water drainage connection	Refuse	Full Planning with conditions
SL/2019/0589	Lyncroft Cartmel Road Allithwaite LA11 7QZ	Formation of additional vehicular access	No objection	Full Planning with conditions

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SL/2019/0572	Lakeland Leisure Park Moor Lane Flookburgh LA11 7LT	Redevelopment and extension of entertainment complex. Erection of an external terrace, siting of a storage container, installation of plant equipment, relocation of an archery tent and reconfiguration of external central area, comprising owners services and caravan sales facilities. Reconfiguration of internal access roads, pedestrian footpaths and car park including an increase of car park spaces, all with associated landscaping, drainage and infrastructure works.	No objection	Full Planning with conditions
SL/2019/0591	The Pheasant Inn Flookburgh Road Allithwaite LA11 7RQ	Single storey extension to form wash up area	No objection	Full Planning with conditions
SL/2019/0661	2 Blenketside Barn Jack Hill Allithwaite LA11 7RY	Single storey extension with Juliette balcony	No objection	Full Planning with conditions
SL/2019/0664	The Pastures Templand Lane Allithwaite LA11 7QY	Variation of Condition 5 (The premises shall not be used at any time as a sole or principal residence or as a second home) attached to planning application SL/2019/0175 (Siting one holiday lodge using existing parking and existing access and connection to existing foul water treatment system).	No objection	Full Planning with conditions
SL/2019/0715	Former Duckys visitor attraction Airfield Farm Moor Lane Flookburgh LA11 7LS	Conversion of pets corner in former stables to holiday accommodation using existing drive and septic tank	No objection	Full Planning with conditions
SL/2019/0793	High Beckside Barn Beckside Cartmel LA11 7SW	Single storey side extension	Refuse	Full Planning with conditions
SL/2019/0815	Cragg View Barn Holme Lane Allithwaite LA11 7QD	Conversion of partially converted barn to dwelling	No objection	Full Planning with conditions
SL/2019/0964	Allithwaite Playing Fields and Community Centre Quarry Lane Allithwaite LA11 7QJ	Erection of new 50m long and 4m high protective mesh fencing	No objection	Full Planning with conditions

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SL/2019/0918	Sunny Crest Flookburgh Road ALLITHWAITE LA11 7RJ	Formation of 1st floor balcony with glazed balustrade to front. Single storey rear extension, rear dormer and detached single storey garage	No objection	<b>No decision</b>
SL/2019/0974	Cartmel Park Cartmel Racecourse Cartmel LA11 6Q	Erection of marquee (part of year only)	Refuse	<b>Full Planning with conditions</b>
SL/2019/0916	Land to North of Lyndene Jack Hill Allithwaite LA11 7RX	Erection of 5 dwelling houses (2 semi-detached and 3 detached dwellings)	Refuse	<b>Full Planning with conditions</b>
SL/2019/0938	Grindelwald Church Road Allithwaite LA11 7QQ	Loft conversion and external alterations to house	No objection	Full Planning with conditions
SL/2019/0954	The Pheasant Inn Flookburgh Road Allithwaite LA11 7RQ	Extension with lowered roof to create inside/outside dining, two front extensions and solar panels to side and change of use of first and second floors from domestic to letting rooms	No objection	Full Planning with conditions
SL/2019/1028	Wayside Flat & Units 1 & 2 Unsworth's Yard Ford Road LA11 6PN	Insertion of 3 rooflights and change of use of Wayside flat to seating, storage & food preparation area in conjunction with the Cartmel Drink shop and Wine Snug. Change of use of 1 & 2 Unsworth's Yard to short-term letting accommodation	Refuse	<b>Full Planning with conditions</b>
SL/2019/1026	Field Beck Barn Garth Cartmel LA11 6PP	Application for Lawful Development Certificate (existing) to establish that the hardstanding area has been in use as a parking area for more than 10 years	Refuse	Refuse
SL/2020/0074	Greenfield House Flookburgh Road Allithwaite LA11 7RG	Partial change of use of ground floor from dwelling to microbrewery use class B1c	Refuse	<b>No Decision</b>
SL/2020/0095	Lakeland Leisure Park Moor Lane LA11 7LT	Removal of condition 13 (Highway Improvements) attached to planning permission SL/2017/0883 (Installation of 85 hardstanding bases for static caravans, new internal access road, footpaths and landscaping).	Refuse	<b>No decision</b>
SL/2020/0259	Crag End Cottage Cartmel LA11 7SR	Use of annex as self-contained holiday let	Refuse	<b>No decision</b>

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SL/2019/1044 SL/2019/0994	Hill Farm House Cartmel LA11 7SS	Proposed conversion of barn to studio/exercise room.	Refuse	<b>No decision</b>
SL/2019/1017 SL/2019/1018	Town Close The Square Cartmel LA11 6QB	Single storey rear extension and internal and external alterations Revised scheme SL/2019/0443 / SL/2019/044	Refuse	<b>Full Planning with conditions</b>
SL/2020/0105	28 Templand Park, Allithwaite LA11 7QS	Change of use of garage for dog grooming.	No objection	Application withdrawn
SL/2020/0222	Birkby Hall Cottage Cark-In-Cartmel LA11 7NP	Two storey detached double garage	Refuse	<b>No decision</b>
SL/2020/0217	The Pastures Log Cabin Park Templand Lane Allithwaite LA11 7QY	Variation of condition 2 (occupation period) attached to planning permission SL/2003/1624 (Static caravan site) to allow a deputy warden and dependents to occupy lodge 1 all year round.	No objection	Full Planning with conditions
SL/2020/0231	The Pastures Log Cabin Park Templand Lane Allithwaite LA11 7QY	Siting of 4 holiday lodges, laying of stone drive and hardstanding plus foul water connection	Refuse	<b>No decision</b>
SL/2020/0234	Lavender, Jack Hill, Allithwaite LA11	Front porch, raise roof of garage, rear dormer, installation of window in place of garage door, side door to garage in place of window, replacement raised patio with glazed balustrade and other alterations	No objection	<b>No decision</b>
SL/2020/0238	Hillberry, Hags Lane, Cartmel LA11	Two storey extension, alterations to roof pitch, replacement and extended balcony with glazed balustrade, porch and other alterations	No objection	<b>No decision</b>
SL/2020/0185	Allithwaite Post Office and Shop, Allithwaite LA11 7QH	Change of use from shop to residential	No objection	Full Planning with conditions
SL/2020/0146	Garage block, Boarbank Lane Allithwaite LA11 7QR	Discharge of conditions 4, 5 & 8 attached to planning permission SL/2018/0789	No objection	Full Planning with conditions

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SL/2020/0247	Wharton Barn The Square Cartmel LA11 6QB	Change of use of separate Annex (the Jail) as occasional separate holiday letting bedroom from Wharton Barn for up to 70 calendar nights per year	Refuse	<b>No decision</b>
SL/2020/0186	The Byre, 3 Templand Cottages Allithwaite LA11 7QZ	Single storey side garage extension	No objection	<b>No decision</b>
SL/2020/0263	Maryvale, Green Lane Allithwaite LA11 7QP	Rear dormer to create 1st floor living accommodation and single storey rear extension	<b>No decision</b>	<b>No decision</b>

### Analysis:

Number of applications received:	51
Number of applications refused by the Parish Council:	18
Number of applications granted planning after refusal by PC:	9
Number of applications refused by PC and SLDC:	1
Number of applications awaiting a decision:	11
Number of applications withdrawn:	3

### How Planning Decisions Are Made

- Around 95% of all decisions on planning applications are decided by the case officers without being reported to the Planning Committee. Planning officers makes recommendation to the Principal Officer with delegated authority to make decisions.
- The Planning Committee usually consist of individuals in support of the application, individuals in objection to the application, Parish Council, Ward Councillor, County Councillor. The Planning Committee only deal with major developments, developments with exceptional level of public interest, and developments which will raise debates on planning issues.
- Parish or Town Councils have the right to be informed of planning applications within the town or parish. They can give comments on planning applications whether they “approve” or “refuse”.

- The local planning authority must take into account the views of the Parish or Town Councils. However, this does not mean that the local planning authority will necessarily decide an application completely in accordance with the views of the Parish Council.
- Planning law requires that planning applications must be determined in accordance with the development plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise.

The planning system operates to regulate the use of land in the public interest and not to protect private interests.

There are three possible decisions that the Planning Committee can take with regard to planning applications – approve, refuse or defer.

By law, decisions must be based upon planning considerations, namely:-

- Development Plan policies of the Council (South Lakeland Land Allocations DPD, Core Strategy and Local Plan);
- Central Government Guidance – The National Planning Policy Framework; and
- Other material considerations – must be related to planning.

Examples of other material considerations include: loss of privacy, overshadowing, design, highway safety, traffic and parking, noise from the proposed use (not building works during construction), incompatible uses, scale of development, appearance of development, wildlife, trees, flooding and/or the effect on conservation areas and/or listed buildings.

Decisions cannot, however, be based upon personal issues with neighbours, loss of private views, business competition, noise or disturbance during building operations, property devaluation, private covenants, boundary disputes and/or the impact of private rights of access.