

SEDGWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Councillors are hereby summoned, and members of the public are invited to attend the Meeting of the Parish Council to be held on Wednesday 12th November 2025 at 7.30pm
Venue, Sedgwick Village Hall

A G E N D A

1. **Apologies** - to receive apologies with reasons for given absence beforehand.
2. **Minutes** - authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd September 2025 as a true record.
3. **Declarations of Interest/Request for Participation**
To receive declarations of interest by members in respect of items on this agenda. (Members are reminded that it is a criminal offence not to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest either in the Register or at the meeting).
The Clerk to report any requests received since the previous meeting for dispensations to speak and/or vote on any matter where a member has a disclosable pecuniary interest.
4. **Public Participation**
Members of the public will be given the opportunity to speak, ask questions or raise matters of interest regarding this agenda in accordance with the Standing Orders.
5. **Reports**
 - a) To receive any relevant matters from Cllr D Rathbone - Westmorland & Furness Council.
6. **Planning** To receive and consider any planning applications which have been submitted since the last meeting.
7. **Highways/Footpaths** - to receive and consider any Highways/Footpaths matters.
 - a) To receive the monthly highways report and update of dates of repairs.
 - b) To update the Council on the progress of the 20mph zone including press coverage & an update on the request for more signage. To discuss the idea of high viz vests for schoolchildren in the village.
 - c) To discuss the need for permission to cut the grass on land around the bus stop. This has been requested but no response as yet.
 - d) To inform the Parish Council that a bus stop sign has been installed.
 - e) To discuss the quotes received for a new noticeboard.
8. **Playground / Millennium Field** – to receive and consider any matters regarding the Playground/Millennium Field.
 - a) Monthly Safety Report- verbal report Cllr G Stoker and details of recent vandalism in the Millennium Field.
 - b) To discuss the actions carried out since the ROSPA report.
9. **Fundraising & Events**
 - a) Equipment Replacement- update on equipment, quotes, fundraising & grants.
 - b) To receive feedback from the Kendal Town Hall Funding fair, September 23rd 2025.
10. **Safeguarding Report**
 - a) To receive any report from Cllr Tanham.
11. **Canal**
 - a) Monthly report by Cllr B Holmes.
 - b) To discuss the visit from A.Hearn.
 - c) To discuss progress on the repairs to the dry stone wall along the canal path.
 - d) To approve the quote from James Park for works on the Canal.
12. **Website/social media**
 - a) Verbal report by Cllr Holmes.
 - b) To discuss the quotes for the new website.
13. **Finance**
 - a) To receive and note bank balance as of 30/09/2025 Current = £14575.17 & 20/08/2025 Reserve = £22636.43 and sign the bank reconciliations which include payments agreed on 3rd September 2025 and cleared the bank account.
 - b) To approve payments:
Parish Clerks Salary September/October & Wage Increase Back Pay = £530.32

Parish Clerks Expenses September/October= **£52.00**

HMRC PAYE (Rachel Harrison) September/October = **£169.49**

D&C Atkinson (Grass Cutting) = **October/November 2 x £91.00 = £182.00**

Treescapes Consultancy (Canal Inspection) = **£334.32**

C) The Clerk to present the draft budget for 2026/27 to the Council for initial discussion – the budget to be finalised at the next meeting.

14. Newsletter

- a) To discuss topics for the Winter Newsletter.

15. Correspondence All received and distributed.

16. Open Action not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

- a) To confirm there are now 3 vacancies for Parish Councillor and receive any updates on interest in the roles.
- b) To receive feedback from the webinar attended by Cllr Holmes regarding Martyn's Law.
- c) To confirm the dates for the 2026 meetings.
- d) To acknowledge receipt of Sedgwick Village Hall's AGM minutes.
- e) To discuss W&F Council boundary review.

17. Items for consideration for a future agenda

18. Date of Next Meeting – to confirm the date of the next meeting will be **Wednesday 14th January 2026**, The meeting will commence at 7.30pm in the Sedgwick Village Hall.

Additional items requested by councillors may, at the discretion of the clerk be added to this agenda in advance of the meeting or deferred to item 15. Please contact the clerk immediately if there is such a request. In accordance with standing orders, the decision of the clerk is final.

R Harrison – Clerk to the Council

Public Participation Guidance

Each member of the public is entitled to speak once in respect of each matter and for up to 3 minutes with 10 minutes being allocated overall for the Public Participation section. These limits may be extended at the discretion of the chairman. Comments must be addressed through the chair. The Chairman will decide in which order matters will be heard and whether an immediate response may be given at the meeting or arrangements made to respond or discuss the matter further at a later date. Questions and comments and responses will be minuted concisely.

To comply with privacy and data protection advice, individuals participating or named during this section will not be named in the minutes.

For more details see www.sedgwickparishcouncil.org.uk/public-participation