

DUDDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 23rd July 2026 in the Rankin Room
at the Victory Hall.

Present: Cllr J Brakewell, Cllr V Glessal, Cllr D Hatton, Cllr J Lancaster, Cllr S Lane,
Cllr I Longworth and Cllr C Edmondson

Also present: C Adams (Parish Clerk) and J Acott (Parish Clerk)

133/26 Apologies

Cllr M Kirkbride, Cllr M Ramsbottom and Cllr P Robinson.

134/26 Requests for Dispensations

Resolved to note there were no requests for dispensations.

135/26 Declarations of Interest

Resolved to note there are no declaration of interests.

136/26 To consider if there are any items on the agenda from which the press and public should be excluded.

Resolved to note there are no items which the press and public should be excluded.

137/26 Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 25th June 2026 to be signed
by the chair as a true record.

138/26 Chairs Announcements

The appointment of the new Clerk. Also, celebration tomorrow (24th July) of the opening of the new
post box in the square at 12 noon.

139/26 Participation

- a) LDNP enforcement officer Julie was in attendance and addressed the public regarding Sawrey Court. She confirmed the petition had been received, and case has been bumped up the list. She gave 3 possible options.
 1. Untidy Land notice
 2. Completion notice
 3. Untidy Land & Completion noticeThough none are quick due to the processes in place.
- b) Westmorland and Furness Cllr Matt Brereton was not in attendance and sent no report
- c) Local Police were not in attendance but had sent the following report:
26 & 29 Jun. Graffiti at Donkey Rocks and Sella Brow.
Road Safety meeting, community room at Blue Light Hub on 5 Aug. at 7pm.
Will cone off square on 31 July ready for Charter day on 1 August.
- d) A number of public members were in attendance to discuss Sawrey Court with LDNP enforcement officer. They wanted it noting that if/when does start work access to Sawrey Court needs to be considered as a lot of elderly live there and emergency services will struggle to get through. Also pointed out rats around the area and there are pipes around the building site that needs looking at.
Another member of the public wanted to discuss the turning right from Wreaks Level to Broughton, that it is a blind turning, cant see oncoming traffic and still too many accidents. The

Council mentioned the work already done around this, with signs and the filter lane for turning and felt it had definitely improved. Chairman said will tell highway again but this could take some time to get feedback.

140/26 Sawrey Court

Resolved to note covered in 139/26 section a) & d).

141/26 Charter Day

a) Cllr Brakewell confirmed that Westmorland & Furness won't pay for all of the required amount, but will contribute £200.

b) It was agreed that Duddon Parish Council will pay the remaining amount.

Discussed that funding should be taken into consideration for next year.

142/26 Community Led Plan

Resolved to note Cllr Lancaster spoke to CGP and they agreed to help with the printing, they printed 1200 copies. Questionnaire needs adding to the website. Also Cllr's to help distribute the copies to the community.

Cllr Lane – Broughton Mills, Cllr Brakewell – Angerton & foxfield, Cllr Lancaster & Cllr Longworth – Ulpha Valley, Cllr Edmonson – Foxfield Rd, Cllr Glessal – Woodland and Cllr Hatton - Broughton Village. Some copies to also go into the Tourist Information Centre.

To be on next agenda as closing date is 31 Aug.

143/26 Wilson Park

Resolved to note Cllr Lane met with Rosie & Declan and they gave a quote of £75,000, which would be without a zipline. The council agreed other quotes were needed. The clerk reminded the council of the financial regulations, if projects cost in excess of £30k, the rules are different. Also, if costs in excess of £60k, rules are different again. Clerk going to contact CALC to see what the process is.

144/26 Allotment Field

Resolved that all requests from the allotment holders have been discussed and will communicate to appropriate people.

Chair and Vice chair had done a site visit and raised concern about various issues and will do another visit next week.

145/26 Donkey Rocks

Resolved to note happy to proceed with the proposed information board

146/26 Bus Services

Resolved new Bus services from Westmorland and Furness, to be put on website and Parish Pump.

147/26 Parish Cllrs Surgeries

Resolved to note Cllr Glessal reported no one had attended the latest surgery.

The next surgery is on 11th August 2026 in the Square café between 10.45am and 12 noon.

148/26 Street Lights

Resolved Westmorland & Furness gave a quote of £1542, councilors happy to proceed. Other quote gave from an individual was £2500.

149/26 Public Toilets

Resolved that quote gave for the electrical work, councilors happy to proceed.

150/26 Ground Maintenance

Resolved only received one quote, awaiting to hear back about another, will be added again to August Parish Pump and on agenda for next meeting.

151/26 Financial Matters

Resolved to authorise the following payments:

Unity Trust	£ 7.70
Everflow	£ 593.03
Tesco	£8.48
Maddocks Plumbing & Heating	£132.95
Npower	£30.20
Happy Go Cleaning	£1,040.00
Yorkshire Gas and Power	£60.99
SRCL	£36.00
Salary	£1,706.31
Hawthwaite Garden Services	£590.00

Resolved to note the following receipts:

Unity Trust	£41.27
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152/26 Audits

External Audit – **Resolved** to adjourn until September as the report is not back yet.

153/26 Consultation

Westmorland & Furness Local Plan

Resolved to discuss in next agenda if still open.

154/26 Planning Applications (Planning applications can be viewed on the relevant authority's website)

Reference: T/2026/0122

Location: 8, Broom Close, Broughton-In-Furness, LA20 6JG

Proposal: Single (1) Large TPO Sycamore tree in from garden - reduce trees overall height and width whilst maintaining overall aesthetic - crown reduction of 2-3m

Resolved to support the application

Reference: 7/2026/5342

Location: 1 Peel House, Church Street, Broughton-in-Furness, LA20 6HA

Proposal: Installation of an electric vehicle (EV) charge point on the side external wall of the dwelling

Resolved to support the application, however, would like clarification on where wire is going to go. Does it affect pavement/walkway/road?

Planning Applications Granted

Reference: 7/2026/4004

Location: Black Hall Farm, Seathwaite, Broughton in Furness, LA20 6EQ

Proposal: The works consist of several river restoration features, no building infrastructure will be constructed altered or removed

Planning applications refused

Lawful Development Certificate –

Application No: 2026/1026/LDPR

Proposed: Brockbank Ground (Land at) Access Road to Rock House BROUGHTON-IN-FURNESS
LA20 6BS

Non Consultation

Reference: 7/2026/5272

Location: Croglin Hurst Farm, Broughton-in-Furness, LA20 6AS

Proposal: A new agricultural storage building and separate workshop building

Prior Approval not required

Reference: 7/2026/5344

Location: Lane End Farm, Broughton Mills, Broughton-In-Furness, LA20 6AX

Proposal: Modern steel portal framed building The Authority has made a decision (Prior Approval Not Required) on this application.

155/26 Parish Clerk Requirements

- a) SLCC Membership suggests 18 months in to post, will need building into budget.
- b) £200 budget given for a new printer
- c) Reimbursements, costs for a card would be £50 upfront, then £3 monthly. Look into Unity Trust make sure there are no other costs, then happy to proceed.

156/26 Policies

Resolved that Clerk is to update the Grievance and Disciplinary procedures.

157/26 Training

Resolved that Chairman to be booked onto the Chair training on 19 Oct. 7pm. Also, the Clerk to do module 1 & 2 of clerk training and also the Finance and end of Year course. Clerk to book these.

158/26 Councillors Reports

Reminder that the post box opening is on 24 July at noon.

Reminder of poo bags and gloves need to be bought and given to Cllr Lancaster

Reminder for the Community Led plan to go out

Concern over state of river at Ulpha, due to BBQ rubbish, fires and stones off bridge. This is to be put in Parish pump as a reminder to tidy up after yourselves.

159/26 Date and time of Next Meeting

Resolved to note the next council meeting which will be on 24th September 2026 in the Rankin Room at the Victory Hall at 7.30pm.