

ALLITHWAITE AND CARTMEL PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH COUNCIL - AGM

On Thursday 9th May 2024 the Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council was held and a new Chair and Vice-Chair were elected for 2024/25. Chair is Cllr Barry Dean and Vice-Chair Cllr Ruth Donally.

PARISH COUNCIL – VACANCIES

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 87 of the Local Government Act 1972 that Allithwaite and Cartmel Parish Council has two vacancies for councillors for Allithwaite. Anyone interested in serving the community in this way and who want to become a councillor for co-option should write to the clerk at: clerk@allithwaiteandcartmel-pc.gov.uk.

‘MAKING’ (ADOPTION) OF ALLITHWAITE AND CARTMEL NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN’

Following a successful Neighbourhood Planning referendum on 29th February 2024, Westmorland and Furness Council has decided to ‘make’ (adopt) the Allithwaite and Cartmel Neighbourhood Development Plan (the Plan) (following Cabinet approval on 30 April 2024) under 38A(4)(a) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and under Regulation 19 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended).

The Plan sets out a shared vision for Allithwaite and Cartmel parish and establishes the type of development supported by the community. The Plan now forms part of the adopted development plan for land use and development proposals within the parish until 2032.

The final Neighbourhood Development Plan, supporting Design Code, Examiner’s Final Report and a statement setting out details of the decision and the reasons for it, is available for inspection online at <https://www.southlakeland.gov.uk/allithwaite-cartmel-np>

HIGHWAYS – HIAMS

The reporting of potholes or other highway problems is via the interactive website: www.allithwaiteandcartmel-pc.gov.uk, scroll to the bottom of the page and under ‘Quick Links’ click on Report a Highway Problem.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Details of all planning applications can be viewed on the Parish Council website: www.allithwaiteandcartmel-pc.co.uk and the Westmorland and Furness link to the planning applications of the South Lakes: www.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/planningapplications.

A WORD OF WARNING TO WALKERS!

If you are out in the countryside this summer and end up in an unknown field, here is what to do: STOP, LOOK and LISTEN. Keep to paths and be prepared for cattle to react (aggressively?) if you have a dog with you. Move quickly, quietly and calmly.

DON’T hang on to your dog if you are threatened – dogs can run much faster and reach safely quicker if you let them go. DON’T panic or run. If cattle follow you, just walk on quietly.

TO BEE OR NOT TO BEE

This summer, spare a thought for the bees who visit your garden. What will they find there to eat? Albert Einstein once said that mankind cannot live without bees, such is their importance in the survival of the global ecosystem. For bees do far more than make honey – they pollinate more than 90 crops that we rely on for food, including apples, pears, blueberries, tomatoes and strawberries.

In recent years, the bee population has plummeted. Attacks by varroa mite, the overuse of pesticide and herbicides, combined with intensive farming, is thought to have killed millions. What can we do to help, in even a small way? Plant some traditional cottage garden favourites such as rosemary, lavender,

bluebells, foxglove, comfrey and viper's bugloss in your garden – all of which bee's love. Bee welcoming in your garden!

ALLITHWAITE PLAYING FIELDS – EXERCISING OF DOGS

The exercising of dogs on the playing fields has increased recently, it is the policy of the centre that dog exercising within the playing field area is not allowed due to health and safety issues and the regular sports use of the area by all ages.

ALLITHWAITE COMMUNITY ORCHARD AND MEADOW

Due to the popularity of the Orchard site a new bench/table has been added to the two existing tables in the small picnic area close to the King George V playground.

A small information board has been installed by volunteers in the middle of the orchard which will give visitors information of the types and varieties of fruit including picking times and location within the orchard. Volunteers have also planted new species of flowers in the meadow site, hopefully they will take to the area for a colourful show in future years.