

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF
CLEATOR MOOR TOWN COUNCIL**

**HELD ON TUESDAY 12th May 2026 AT THE TOWN COUNCIL
OFFICE At 7.00pm.**

Present:

Cllr P Burns
Cllr C Campbell
Cllr M Eldon
Cllr N Ford
Cllr D Hully
Cllr J Hully (Chair)
Cllr M Messenger

Mr S Richardson. (Clerk/Finance Officer)

526/26. Election of Chairperson for council year 2026/27.

Cllr Eldon nominated Cllr Messenger as Chair for the year, seconded by Cllr D Hully and Cllr N Ford.

No other nominations, resolved Cllr Messenger will act as Chair for the year 2026/27

527/26. To receive the Chairpersons acceptance of office.

Cllr Messenger signed the acceptance of office witnessed by Clerk Mr S Richardson.

528/26 To appoint a Vice Chairperson for council year 2026/27.

Cllr Messenger nominated Cllr C Campbell as Vice Chair, seconded by Cllr Eldon resolved that Cllr C Campbell act as Vice Chair for the year 2026/27.

529/26 To receive apologies for absence.

Apologies received and accepted from Cllr D Riley.

530/25 To confirm representatives of other organisations within the Town.

Resolved

Chamber of Trade Cllr Ford currently serving and will remain in post.

Regeneration Northeast Copeland Cllr J Hully currently serving and will remain in post.

Youth and Community centre Cllr Ford is now a trustee resolved that no additional representative required.

Town board Cllr Burns currently serving and will remain in this post.

Home Group representative Cllr Burns currently serving and will remain in this post.

WCSSG. (West Cumberland site stakeholders' group) Cllr Campbell currently serving but will be unable to continue due to work commitments. Cllr Messenger offered to take up this role and Cllr Ford offered to act as deputy. Resolved Cllr Messenger will act as representative and Cllr Ford will deputise when required.

531/26 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 14th April 2026.

Resolved the minutes be approved.

532/26 Declarations of interest of items on the agenda.

Cllr Eldon declared an interest in Cumberland Council.

533/26 Public/Elected Officer participation.

Cllr Eldon informed members that he had met with Electricity North West regarding the planned closure of Church st during the works to repair underground cables and that they had confirmed that the road would be open during the works to allow access for the sports clubs and residents. Waste services were removing the blue bag option for residents with a new system of gull sacks being introduced this week for affected residents.

534/26 To review planning applications.

No issues raised with applications

- 4/26/2132/OF1.
- 4/26/2135/OB1.
- 4/22/2032/OR1.
- 4/26/2116/TPO.
- 4/26/2124/OF1.
- 4/26/2129/OF1.

535/26 SID device update.

Confirmed to members that funding applications to aid the SID device purchase have been made.

536/26. Prospect Playground Annual Insurance Inspection report.

Resolved that the annual insurance report be received and noted.

537/26. To receive the Internal Auditor Report for financial year 2025/26.

Resolved the report is received and noted.

538/26. To approve the Annual Governance Statement for the Annual Governance and Accountability return 2025/26.

Resolved that the report be approved.

539/26. To consider the Annual Accounting Statement for the Annual Governance and Accountability return 2025/26.

Resolved that this be considered and approved.

540/26.Finance.

- **To approve a schedule of payments for May 2026.**
- **Approved.**
- **To note the bank reconciliation's up to end of April 2026.**
- **Noted and approved.**

541/26 Items for inclusion on the next agenda. Please note that decisions cannot be taken on these items until formally included on an agenda.

Any items to be forwarded to the Clerk 2 weeks before the date of the next meeting.

542/26. To approve the date of the next meeting to be held on the 9th of June 2026 at 630pm.

Approved

Meeting closed 7.50pm.

Signed

Dated