

# TOWN COUNCIL OF GRANGE-OVER-SANDS

**Chairman/Mayor:**

Cllr. Tricia Thomas

**Vice-Chairman/Deputy Mayor:**

Cllr. Ann Walmsley

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Dear Councillor

You are summoned to attend the Meeting of the Town Council in accordance with Schedule 12 para.10(2) (b) of the Local Government Act 1972, to be held in the Victoria Hall, on Monday 11 April 2022, following the Annual Town Meeting, which starts at 7.00pm.

*Note: Under the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 this meeting was advertised as a public meeting and as such could be filmed or recorded by broadcasters, the media or the public.*

Signed

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'C. Benbow', written over a light blue horizontal line.

C. Benbow, Town Clerk

## **AGENDA FULL COUNCIL MONDAY 11 APRIL 2022**

### **1. Apologies for Absence**

To receive and approve apologies from members.

### **2. Reports**

To receive the following reports:

- a. District Council Report
- b. County Council Report
- c. Mayor's Report

### **3. Public Participation: Have Your Say**

Have Your Say: Members of the public are invited to speak.

### **4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

To authorise the Chairman to sign the Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on Monday 7 March 2022 as a true record.

## 5. Declaration of Interests and Dispensations

Members to disclose their interests in matters to be discussed and to decide requests for dispensations.

## 6. Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960

To consider if any items should be considered without the presence of the press and public, pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 Section 2.

## 7. Planning

To consider Planning Applications as circulated and to note submissions to planning applications considered under delegated authority.

## 8. Monthly Payments Councillor Verification and Payment Approval

- a. To note that prior to the meeting two councillors verified invoices received and payments made since the last full council meeting and can verify their authenticity.
- b. To note that two councillors verified that the monthly bank reconciliation has taken place.
- c. To approve and authorise the payment of accounts and wages as recorded in the payments list.
- d. To identify and approve two councillors to verify the invoices and payments for the next payment period.
- e. To identify and approve two councillors to complete the online authorisation of the payments for the next payment period.

## 9. Finance and Governance

### IT Support Contract

To approve annual contract for IT Support, from KTD Ltd, quoted at £2,380 (ex VAT)  
*(correspondence and quote circulated).*

## 10. Consultations

### Cumbria County Council

To divert footpath at Spring Bank (Footpath No 526009 Parish Of Grange Over Sands) Public Path Diversion And Definitive Map And Statement Modification Order 2022  
*(Order and Notice of Order circulated and correspondence circulated).*

## 11. Updates from Members

To receive Councillor updates on works in progress, and meetings and events attended, including:

- a. Cllr. Thomas - Cumbria Better Connected
- b. Cllr. Thomas - Civic Society AGM

## 12. Casual Vacancy

To note that the Casual Vacancy, following the resignation of Tracy Hathorn, has been advertised in 'Grange Now,' on the Victoria Hall noticeboard, and on social media.

## 13. Fell Close Playground

To note that the replacement slide has been installed at Fell Close Playground, which is owned and managed by the District Council (SLDC).

Grange Town Council resolved, in November 2021, to pay for a replacement slide (C21/116):

*That, as proposed by Cllr. Bailey, Grange Town Council pays SLDC £2,300 (plus VAT) to purchase and install the replacement slide at Fell Close Playground.*

To approve payment of invoice from SLDC for £2,300 (plus VAT) for the purchase and installation of the replacement slide at Fell Close Playground.

## 14. Recreation Ground

The annual Risk Assessment was completed, and attention is drawn to the following points:

1. The rope around the crazy golf pitches had deteriorated. This was removed, and replaced with cement edging, in March 2022.
2. The SLDC annual inspection on 3 March 2022 identified that the shelter panel fixing was broken and queried some possible missing rivets on one of the skate ramps. Repairs are scheduled to the shelter. The queried rivet holes were part of the construction and installation of the ramp.

*(Rec Ground Risk Assessment and SLDC annual inspection circulated)*

## 15. Victoria Hall

To note that a review of security took place, following the burglary in January 2022, and that the alarm system was upgraded by Westmorland Fire and Security, cost £1,270 (ex VAT).

## **16. Band Concert Music in the Park**

To note that the first event in the 'Music in the Park' season will be on Sunday 5 June 2022, following the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Community Picnic.

The events have been risk assessed, and attention is drawn to the following points:

1. The bandstand store concrete ceiling is crumbling – SLDC have been notified; they have knocked off the loose material and are sending a specialist contractor to assess it, due mid-April 2022.
2. The noticeboard locks are broken. The locks have been removed by SLDC who are replacing the noticeboard.

*(Risk Assessment circulated)*

## **17. Public Conveniences**

To note progress on maintenance works:

1. Maintenance works to the Prom and Ornamental Gardens Public Conveniences, resolved in February 2022, have been completed.
2. A condition review of the Church Hill facilities to identify maintenance needs is underway.

## **18. Training**

To note that the Town Clerk is enrolled to take part in Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC) online training 'Management In Action 2022' on 9–10 June 2022, and to approve virtual delegate payment of £60 (ex VAT).

## **19. Staff Pay Award**

To note National Association of Local Councils (NALC) announcement that staff pay award from 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022 of a 1.75% increase was agreed by the GMB and UNISON and that this was applied to staff payments as contracted.

## **20. Next Meeting**

To note that the next Full Council Meeting will be the Annual Meeting of the Council. This will be held:

**Monday 9 May 2022 at the Victoria Hall, Main Street, Grange-over-Sands, 7pm**