

Dalton with Newton Town Council
Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 1st June 2026 in the Town Hall,
Station Road, Dalton in Furness at 7pm

Present: Cllr A Thurlow, B Solari, W Maddox, N McDougall, C Fox, A Fox, N Perie, D Pearson and M Dobson.

In attendance: Mrs. C. Stainton (Town Clerk)

Meeting Opened at 7.00pm

C1/06/2026. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies to receive.

C2/06/2026. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Resolved: That the Chair be authorised to sign the minutes of:

- a. the Council meeting held on Monday 11th May 2026
- b. the Greenspaces Committee meeting held on Monday 18th May 2026
(Members are advised that the Greenspaces Committee meeting was not quorate and therefore no business was transacted).

C3/06/2026. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest from members in respect of items on the agenda.

C4/06/2026. Exclusion of Press and Public

Resolved: That there were no items requiring the exclusion of the press and public.

C5/06/2026. Reports from Westmorland & Furness Councillors

Apologies were received from Cllr T Callister who had submitted a written report prior to the meeting. Updates were provided regarding the resurfacing of Coronation Drive which will take place in August 2026.

C6/06/2026. Report from the Police

There were no police in attendance.

C7/06/2026. Public Participation

There were no members of the public present.

C8/06/2026. Clerk's Report

a. The Clerk reported that the Town Council had received an unexpected bill regarding the Allotment negotiations. Advice has been sought from the council's solicitor. The Clerk will update in due course.

C9/06/2026. Correspondence

There was no correspondence to report.

C10/06/2026. General Reports

a. Cllr B Solari informed members that he had received a resignation from Cllr B Parrington on 27th May 2026. The Clerk confirmed that this had been forwarded to Westmorland and Furness Council. Electors have until 16th June 2026 to call an election before the Town Council can co-opt a candidate.

b. Cllr B Solari reminded members of maintaining confidentiality after discussing particular agenda items.

C11/06/2026. Wildlife Area

a. Councillors considered a proposal from Cllr M Dobson for the keeping of bees on Council land and reviewed a draft agreement and policy. Proposed by Cllr M Dobson and seconded by Cllr N Perie.

Resolved: That the draft agreement be signed and policy adopted.

C12/06/2026. Railway Land

The Clerk gave an update on the progress of the licence agreement. It was hoped to be completed in the coming week.

C13/06/2026. Tommy the Pigeon Signs

Members considered options and associated costs for replacing the Tommy the Pigeon Signs. Proposed by Cllr N Perie, seconded by Cllr W Maddox. All in favour.

Resolved: The Clerk was instructed to progress with the proposed replacement once permission was received from the landowners.

C14/06/2026. Cumbria in Bloom

Cllr B Solari gave an update on Cumbria in Bloom.

C15/06/2026. Policies to review

Councillors reviewed the biodiversity policy.

Resolved: That the policy be re-adopted.

C16/06/2026. Finance

Councillors considered the following:

a. Payments for Approval

Supplier	Description	Amount	Power
JRB	Dog Bags	£259.58	Open Spaces Act 1906 s.10

Resolved: That the above payment be approved. On a vote of all in favour.

b. Councillors considered the annual insurance premium.

Resolved: That the annual insurance premium be accepted on a 3-year term.

c. Councillors **noted** the bank reconciliation for April 2026 had been carried out by Cllr A Thurlow who is a non-banking signatory.

d. Councillors **noted** that the precept of £340,177.00 had been received from Westmorland and Furness Council on 1st May 2026.

C17/06/2026. Planning

There were no planning applications to consider.

Meeting Closed at 7.35pm

Signed.....

(Chairman)

Date.....

C. Stainton
Town Clerk

2nd June 2026