

GREYSOUTHEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting in the Village Hall On Monday 20th July 2026 at 7.15pm

Present: Cllr J West (Chair), Cllr E Roberts, Cllr H Davies, Cllr T Sherriff, Cllr A Procter
Clerk: Susan Stuart; Also present: Cumberland Councillor A Semple
Members of the Public: 0

Meeting starts 19.15

068/26 Apologies for absence

Apologies have been received Cllrs D Watson and V Roberts.

069/26 Minutes of meeting dates 18th May 2026

The minutes of the 18th May 2026 were agreed and signed, proposed by Cllr Davies, seconded by Cllr Sherriff, all in agreement.

070/26 Declaration of interests None

071/26 Public Participation. None present.

072/26 Report from Cumberland Councillor, Andrew Semple:

- Cllr Semple informed the parish council that the Tour of Britain bike race will end in Cockermouth on the 19th of August. The race will go through Whitehaven, Workington, Maryport, Silloth, Wigton and end in Cockermouth.
- The Combined Authority now exists and has a website. This will run now until the Mayor of Cumbria is elected in May 2027.

073/26 Playing Field update

- Cllr Davies has managed to open the bin in the playpark, so there is no need to purchase another bin.
- Cllr Sherriff will work on the overgrown bushes in August.

074/26 Financial Issues

- The following payments were approved:

Reference	Payee	Details	Amount (£)
595	Susan Stuart	Salary	542.16
596	HMRC	PAYE	135.54
			677.70

- The bank statement as at 30th June was £42,363.60.
- Cllr Roberts proposed acceptance of payments for approval and Cllr Davies seconded this.

075/26 Planning

- Nothing this month.

076/26 **Correspondence**

- An email was received from the Village Hall thanking the Parish Council for their donation and payment of room hire cost for the upcoming year.
- The other two thirds of allotment 1 has now been leased.
- An email was received confirming the Certificate of Exemption had been acknowledged by Moores, who deal with parish council annual accounts.
- An email was received regarding allotments at the edge of Brigham. These are not owned by Greysouthen, it is thought they are privately owned at this point.
- A member of the public had asked about parking in the layby just before the turn to Greysouthen. The Clerk had advised that he would need to speak to Cumberland Council for this.

077/26 **Councillor Matters.**

- Cllrs West, Davies and Roberts had gone round the village judging the flowers/gardens. The winner will be announced shortly.
- A member of the public has spoken to Cllr Davies about alleyway at the top of Chapel Terrace. It was agreed Cllr West will ask Ben to clear the weeds next time he is cutting the grass.

078/26 **Reports on meetings attended.** None. The next Village Hall Committee meeting was the day after the parish council meeting.

079/26 **Confirmation of date and time of next meeting.** Monday 21st September 2026 at 7.15pm.

Meeting ended 19.46

Signed as a true and correct record

Date