



Hallgarth Residents Association

AGM

Monday 19th May 2025

Attending: Sam Peruzza, Elaine Cuthbertson, Amy Hardy, Carol Conyers, Karen O'Donaghue, Councillor Liz Hendry, Councillor Peter Thornton, Councillor Giles Archibald.

Accounts

£264 in the Jubilee lottery fund for events

£115 in Kendal in Bloom

£20 in general fund.

Maintenance grant from SLH conditional on the meeting minutes from this meeting and a constitution.

ACTION – Sam to send meeting minutes to SLH to gain maintenance grant for this year.

ACTION – Amy to check bank account details and update if necessary (address).

ACTION – Sam to be added to the bank account and previous chair (Tom Priestley) removed.

Updating Constitution

Current constitution is adequate for our needs but does require updating soon.

ACTION – Sam to develop updates to constitution to be discussed and voted on at next committee meeting.

Website

ACTION – Amy to check if payment details need to be updated from previous chair (Tom Priestley) to current chair or the HGRA bank account.

Committee agrees to continue paying for website as it does provide legitimacy to the association and provides a link to the community centre calendar.

Disability Access to Park

Communication from resident who can't access the park with her grandchildren due to mobility scooter.

Cllr Peter Thornton – this issue has been looked at previously by the council. The problem is if entrance is given to mobility scooters, it allows access to motorbikes or quadbikes which have been a problem on the grass, or allows children to run directly out on to the road (where cars tend to speed).

ACTION – Sam to arrange a meeting with users of the park and councillors to weigh up different options to resolve the issue.

Community Centre Garden Funding

Cllr Giles Archibald – planning permission is needed but a planner has been found who will do the planning for free.

ACTION – Giles to arrange a meeting with the community centre, councillors, and Nick Howard (senior planning officer).

School Path Notice Board

Potential addition of a notice board for HGRA at the top of the path to provide additional communication point for notification of meetings and events from the HGRA and community centre.

ACTION – Sam to take picture of the potential position for the notice board, and a quote for the cost of the notice board, and send to Peter.

ACTION – Once location known, Peter to check on land ownership and planning permission.

ACTION – Giles to find contact for 'Men In Sheds' and pass on to Sam, to see if they will build a notice board.

School Path Gritting

Addition of a grit bin to the St Thomas' school path to allow sufficient gritting during winter of the very steep path. Peter will be addressing this at next meeting with town council.

Pot Holes

Sparrowmire Lane potholes particularly bad, have damaged vehicles. Often unavoidable due to parked cars or moving over to allow bus through.

Some have already been reported.

ACTION – any potholes reported online that haven't been fixed within 6 weeks of a report, response email to be forwarded to Peter to be dealt with.

Upcoming consultation for 20mph speed limit for Kendal

Reminder to residents that consultation for 20mph speed zone for Kendal is starting on the 4th June. It's very important that people give their opinion – zones have been turned down in Barrow and Windermere due to public response.

There is also say on where Kendal wants to zone to cover – e.g. do Hallgarth residents want the zone to cover the Garth Brow junction.

ACTION – Amy to post link to consultation on FB group.

Committee Members

Election of Sam as Chairperson.

Reinstatement of Carol as Treasurer.

Reinstatement of Amy as Secretary.

Reinstatement of Karen as general member.

Addition of Elaine as general member.

AOB:

Future Proof Cumbria Presentation

Future Proof Cumbria will be doing a presentation from 10am-11am on 10th June energy saving in the home.

ACTION – Sam to invite SLH and Home Group to attend Future Proof event to provide information to their tenants about energy saving as renters.

Great Big Green Week

Successful grant application for Great Big Green Week funding - awarded the full £300 for an event. Perhaps event on the 10th of June to link in with Future Proof event, but difficult as during the day on a weekday.

Potential idea to involve teenagers on the estate to do some cooking together on the Wednesday after school, perhaps 4pm-6pm.

ACTION – Elaine and Sam to finalise the details of a potential event.

ACTION – Amy to contact Waste Into Wellbeing to see if they'd have a stall at the event once details known.

ACTION – Amy to contact Claire Wickham at Waste Into Wellbeing regarding Kids Cookalongs advice (and if they could potentially do one at Hallgarth Community Centre).

ACTION – Liz Hendry to get in touch with the youth group of the Green Party to see if they'd like to be involved once details known.

Next meeting: Monday 8th September 2025 at 7pm