MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL MILLBECK ON Wednesday 19 November 2008 at 7.30 pm

- **PRESENT :** Mr J Wilson (in the Chair) Mrs J Boniface Mrs B Bulman Mr T Gibbs Mrs E Helme Mr J Wood In attendance : Clerk; Dr T Donaldson.
- 2008.86 <u>Apologies</u> Mr D Roberts
- 2008.87 **Declarations of Interest** None made.
- **2008.88** <u>Minutes</u> The Chairman was authorised to sign the Minutes of the last meeting, held on 11 September 2008

2008.89Opportunity for Public ParticipationMr A Deane wished to include some information about books of photographs held in
the Hall in the next Newsletter.
The Noticeboard put up by LDNPA was need of renewal with proper maps.
Damage to bridge parapet near Village Hall to be reported.
Drain above Village Hall to be reported as blocked.

2008.90 <u>Finances</u>

The Council approved the following cheques to be written :

A Wilson for grass cutting £22; Royal British Legion for Poppy Wreath £18; Clerk for Salary £800. In accordance with the authority given by the Council in relation to the Parish Website (**2008.76(vi**) it was agreed that the sum of £51.56 should be re-imbursed to Councillor Boniface for expenses relating to the Website. The draft budget for 2009/2010 previously circulated was discussed. It was agreed that expenditure of £625 excluding VAT should be incurred in relationship to the two bus shelters, and that this figure should be shown on the statement as expenditure expected to be incurred before the year end. The budget should also show a provision for £1250 to be made for repairs to the War Memorial, and £150 for the Web Site. It was agreed to set a Precept of £3,000.

Two estimates to be obtained for work on War Memorial, from High Hill memorial workshop and from Walker Bros of Cockermouth. Royal British Legion to be asked if a grant would be available. Advice to be sought on cleaning the Memorial.

2008.91 Lake District National Park Authority

<u>Applications</u> Interim Decision were ratified in relation to **Rathvale** (to object to amendment to Conservatory); **Field View** (no objection to Summer House); **Ay-don Cottage** (no objection to Conservatory); **Calvert Trust** (to support alterations to redundant swimming pool).

<u>Decisions</u> It was noted that conservatory at Aydon Cottage was held to fall within permitted development rules.

Information was received that Notices of Intention would be forwarded to Councils for information even though they had no power to make recommendations in respect of them.

2008.92 <u>Allerdale Borough Council</u>

A copy of the Corporate Improvement Plan for 2008-2011 was received and would be put for circulation.

2008.93 <u>**Cumbria County Council**</u> A poster about Waste Prevention and a copy of Cumbria Rider were received.

2008.94 <u>Cumbria Association of Local Councils</u>

Newsletters for October and November, and Clerks Direct were received, and the latter to be circulated.

Information was noted concerning AGM. Annual Report, Parish Trends and Parish Stewards.

2008.95 <u>Correspondence from Statutory Bodies</u> A copy of the Planning Regulations of Eden District Council was received and would be put for circulation.

A Newsletter from the Standards Board was received and would be circulated.

2008.96 <u>Non-Statutory correspondence</u>

A letter from Friends of the Lake District was received expressing concern that proposed amendments to Windermere Bye-laws would discard public safety as a criterion when exemptions from the speed limit were being sought.

2008.97 <u>Reports from Members</u>

Mrs Helme reported on Village Hall activities. There had been contact with National Trust about a hydro-electric scheme along Mill Beck. There was a doubt about ownership of the Beck. An application was to be made to the National Park Authority for a grant to pay for a Feasibility Study. Recent events had been successful.

There was a suggestion that Councillor Boniface should be invited to speak to the Village Hall Committee about the Parish Website, and she expressed her willingness to go.

2008.98 <u>Emergency Planning</u>

It was agreed that steps should be taken towards collecting emergency information for the Parish, and that useful information such as emergency numbers such be disseminated.

2008.99 Parish Plan Review

Most of the immediate actions in the Plan had been completed. A History Group had been set up and was flourishing. The framework of a Parish Website had been set up, and the site was viewable. More data needed to be put on it. It would shortly be extended to include contributions from other Village groups such as the Hall Committee, and time needed to be allowed for this to be accomplished. A small group of Councillor Boniface, Councillor Wilson and Chris Corder of VHC would meet to discuss content, Work was going on relating to the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme. There was not just a need for the Police to report to the Community but for messages to be passed to the Police and around the village. There had been some success in getting road works done over the past year.

2008.100 <u>Newsletter</u>

Suggestions were received for the next Newsletter.

2008.101 Dates of Future Meetings

These were agreed as Wednesday 28 January 2009; Thursday 26 March 2009; Thursday 21 May 2009(AGM). Annual Parish Meeting Wednesday 22 April. (Suggested speaker Kathie Murphy from National Trust).

In its deliberations the Council took into consideration the provisions of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, the Freedom of Information Act 2000, and Equality and Inclusiveness legislation.

Minutes approved by the Parish Council and signed by the Chairman on 28 January 2009