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Monday, 17 March 2025

#### **Dear Councillor**

You are summoned to attend the **Scaleby Parish Council Meeting** that will be held at Scaleby Village Hall on **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2025** at 7.30 PM. The Public and Press are invited to attend.

Clerk

#### **AGENDA**

114.APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence
115.MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING held on 28 January 2025 - To authorise the
chair to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on 28 January 2025
(attached).

### 116.DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION

- a. Register of Interests: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests
- b. To declare any personal interests in items on the agenda and their nature
- To declare any prejudicial interests in items on the agenda and their nature (Councillors with prejudicial interests must leave the meeting for the relevant items)
- d. To make any requests for dispensation
- 117. Exclusion of Press and Public (Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960)

  To decide whether there are any items of business which require exclusion of the press and public
- 118. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (20 MINUTES ALLOWED) this agenda item enables Parish Councillors to hear the views, comments and/or complaints from the public. The Parish Councillors can respond. However (unless the items are already on the agenda) no council decisions can be taken at this meeting but, if appropriate, the matters can be put onto a future agenda for decision. Comments limited to 5 minutes per person.
- 119.**CUMBERLAND COUNCILLOR REPORTS to receive** items for information (items raised for decision will appear on the agenda for the next meeting subject to agreement by the council.)

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**120.POLICE MATTERS – to resolve** whether to submit any matters to the Local Focus Hub.

#### 121. FINANCE

**a.** Payments- to authorise schedule of payments totalling £386.90 (VN 72-77)2024-25

VN	Inv. Date	PAYEE	CHQ. NO/ Ref	Purpose of	AMOUNT	VAT	NET
			no	Expenditure	£	INCLUDED	AMOUNT
						£	£
72	20/03/2025	Nick Phillips	Salary	Salary	249.20	0.00	249.20
73	20/03/2025	HMRC	475PW00174663	PAYE	62.40	0.00	62.40
75	20/03/2025	Scaleby Village Hall	0	Room Rental	30.00	0.00	30.00
76	20/03/2025	Starboard Systems Ltd	0	Subscription	15.00	3.00	18.00
72	20/03/2025	Nick Phillips	Salary	Salary	18.00	0.00	18.00
74	26/03/2025	Nick Phillips	0	Expenses	3.30	0.00	3.30
77	31/03/2025	Unity Trust Bank	0	Bank Charges	6.00	0.00	6.00

**b.** Payments- to authorise schedule of payments totalling £353.60 (VN 1-4)2025-26

VN	Inv. Date	PAYEE	CHQ. NO/ Ref	Purpose of	AMOUNT	VAT	NET
			no	Expenditure	£	INCLUDED	AMOUNT
						£	£
1	20/04/2025	Nick	Salary	Salary	249.20	0.00	249.20
		Phillips					
2	20/04/2025	HMRC	475PW00174663	PAYE	62.40	0.00	62.40
1	20/04/2025	Nick	Salary	Salary	18.00	0.00	18.00
		Phillips	-				
3	20/04/2025	Starboard	0	Subscription	15.00	3.00	18.00
		Systems		·			
		Ltd					

- c. Monthly reconciliation (January and February 2025) to receive and note the reconciliation and balances checked by Cllr McGarr.
- d. Monthly budget update- to receive and note
- 122. **HIGHWAY MATTERS:** To receive, for information, any items relating to the highway and **Resolve** which to ask the Clerk to report to the Highways Authority.



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- 123. Rural Summer Club 2025 To resolve whether to offer the Rural Summer Club in 2025 with the associated costs to the Parish Council for room hire.
- 124. Draft Sexual Harassment Policy to resolve whether to adopt the attached policy.
- 125. Grants Policy to resolve whether to adopt the attached policy.
- 126. Recycling Facility at Scaleby Village Hall to note that the Village Hall committee have made the decision to ask for the recycling facility to be removed and have asked whether the Parish Council would support this?
- 127. Village Hall AGM- to note the invitation to the Village Hall AGM on 3 April 2025. (Attached)
- 128.Clerk's verbal report: to receive feedback on the following items
  - a. Footpaths in the Parish

## 129. Councillors' reports and items for future agenda

Each Councillor is requested to use this opportunity to report minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas. Councillors are respectfully reminded that this is not an opportunity for debate or decision making.

### 130. Date of next meeting

The Annual meeting of the Parish Council will take place on 27 May 2025 in Scaleby Village Hall at 19.30.

Agenda items to be submitted to the Clerk by 12 noon on 15 May 2025.

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Minutes of the Scaleby Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 28 January 2025 at 7.30pm in

Present: G McGarr OBE (Chair), S Brown, C Hogg, G Little, R Marston, T Moore, L Thompson

**Also Present:** N Phillips (Clerk/RFO)

100. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – none received, not present Cllr Grant.

**101.MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING held on 26 November 2024** - authorised the chair to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on 26 November 2024.

### 102.DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION

- a. Register of Interests: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests
- b. To declare any personal interests in items on the agenda and their nature
- To declare any prejudicial interests in items on the agenda and their nature (Councillors with prejudicial interests must leave the meeting for the relevant items)
- d. To make any requests for dispensation
- 103. Exclusion of Press and Public (Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960)

  To decide whether there are any items of business which require exclusion of the press and public -none
- 104. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION none present
- 105. CUMBERLAND COUNCILLOR REPORTS—none present
- **106.POLICE MATTERS** resolved not to submit any matters to the Local Focus Hub. Clerk to represent the Parish Council at Locality Based online meetings.

#### 107. FINANCE

a. Payments- authorised schedule of payments totalling £991.15(VN 55-71)

Inv. Date	PAYEE	CHQ. NO/ Ref	Purpose of	AMOUNT	VAT	NET
		no	Expenditure	£	INCLUDED	AMOUNT
					£	£
20/01/2025	Nick Phillips	Salary	Salary	267.20	0.00	267.20
20/01/2025	HMRC	475PW00174663	PAYE	62.40	0.00	62.40
29/01/2025	Nick Phillips	0	Expenses	16.87	0.00	16.87
29/01/2025	Scaleby Village	0	Room Rental	30.00	0.00	30.00
	Hall					
29/01/2025	Starboard Systems I td	Ō	Subscription	15.00	3.00	18.00
	20/01/2025 20/01/2025 29/01/2025 29/01/2025	20/01/2025 Nick Phillips 20/01/2025 HMRC 29/01/2025 Nick Phillips 29/01/2025 Scaleby Village Hall	20/01/2025         Nick Phillips         Salary           20/01/2025         HMRC         475PW00174663           29/01/2025         Nick Phillips         0           29/01/2025         Scaleby Village Hall         0           29/01/2025         Starboard         0	20/01/2025         Nick Phillips         Salary         Salary           20/01/2025         HMRC         475PW00174663         PAYE           29/01/2025         Nick Phillips         0         Expenses           29/01/2025         Scaleby Village Hall         0         Room Rental           29/01/2025         Starboard         0         Subscription	no         Expenditure         £           20/01/2025         Nick Phillips         Salary         Salary         267.20           20/01/2025         HMRC         475PW00174663         PAYE         62.40           29/01/2025         Nick Phillips         0         Expenses         16.87           29/01/2025         Scaleby Village Hall         0         Room Rental         30.00           29/01/2025         Starboard         0         Subscription         15.00	no         Expenditure         £         INCLUDED           20/01/2025         Nick Phillips         Salary         Salary         267.20         0.00           20/01/2025         HMRC         475PW00174663         PAYE         62.40         0.00           29/01/2025         Nick Phillips         0         Expenses         16.87         0.00           29/01/2025         Scaleby Village Hall         0         Room Rental         30.00         0.00           29/01/2025         Starboard         0         Subscription         15.00         3.00

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69	29/01/2025	AutoSpeedWatch	0	Speed	147.08	0.00	147.08
				Indicator			
				Device			
70	29/01/2025	Equiphase	INV 16255	Subscription	66.00	0.00	66.00
		Limited		-			
71	29/01/2025	WJP Software	IN24-1001	Subscription	20.00	4.00	24.00
		Limited		-			
55	31/01/2025	Unity Trust Bank	0	Bank	6.00	0.00	6.00
		•		Charges			
66	20/02/2025	Nick Phillips	Salary	Salary	267.20	0.00	267.20
67	20/02/2025	HMRC	475PW00174663	PAYE	62.40	0.00	62.40
68	20/02/2025	Starboard	0	Subscription	15.00	3.00	18.00
		Systems Ltd		·			
56	28/02/2025	Unity Trust Bank	0	Bank	6.00	0.00	6.00
		-		Charges			

- b. Monthly reconciliation (November and December 2024) –received and noted the reconciliation and balances checked by Cllr McGarr.
- c. Monthly budget update- received and noted
- d. **Receipt –noted** receipt from Unity Trust Bank R 04 £51.04.
- 108.**HIGHWAY MATTERS:** received the following items relating to the highway: Cllr Moore has reported some subsidence on the road already reported on HIAMS. Barclose lonning flooding to report when flooded.
- 109. Audit 2025 Resolved to contact previous auditor in first instance and delegate decision to Clerk if not available.
- 110. Update on Speed Indicator Device- Received a verbal update that the device is up and working although is currently not receiving sufficient sunlight and therefore resolved to add a solar panel.
- 111.Clerk's verbal report: to receive feedback on the following items
  - a. Fly tipping has been reported, the system does not provide updates.
  - b. Footpath issues Cllr Moore had provided a report for the Clerk on state of footpaths and this has been passed to the relevant footpath officer. The Style that Cllr Brown asked to be reported has been repaired.

#### 112. Councillors' reports and items for future agenda

Storm damage to Neighbourhood Watch signs – Cllr Moore will replace. Card has been received from Welfare committee thanking the Parish Council for their contribution.

## 113. Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Tuesday 25 March 2025 in Scaleby Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Agenda items to be submitted to the Clerk by 12 noon on 13 March 2025. Meeting closed at 20.00

## Scaleby Parish Council PAYMENTS (AWAITING AUTHORISATION) LIST

Vouche	Code	Date	Minute	Bank	Cheque No	Description	Supplier	VAT Type	Net	VAT	Total
72	Salaries	20/03/2025		Current - Unity	Salary	Salary	Nick Phillips	Z	249.20		249.20
73	PAYE	20/03/2025		Current - Unity	475PW00174663	PAYE	HMRC	Z	62.40		62.40
75	Room Rental	20/03/2025		Current - Unity		Room Rental	Scaleby Village Hall	Z	30.00		30.00
76	Subscriptions	20/03/2025		Current - Unity		Subscription	Starboard Systems Lt	d S	15.00	3.00	18.00
72	Working from Home allowance	20/03/2025		Current - Unity	Salary	Salary	Nick Phillips	Z	18.00		18.00
74	Office costs	26/03/2025		Current - Unity		Expenses	Nick Phillips	Z	3.30		3.30
77	Bank Charges	31/03/2025		Current - Unity		Bank Charges	Unity Trust Bank	Z	6.00		6.00
							Tota	nl	383.90	3.00	386.90

Prepared by:		Date:	
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## Clerk's Expenses March 2025



## **Scaleby Parish Council PAYMENTS LIST**

V	ouche	Code	Date	Minute	Bank	Cheque No	Description	Supplier	VAT Type	Net	VAT	Total
	1	Salaries	20/04/2025		Current - Unity	Salary	Salary	Nick Phillips	Z	249.20		249.20
	2	PAYE	20/04/2025		Current - Unity	475PW00174663	PAYE	HMRC	Z	62.40		62.40
	1	Working from Home allowance	20/04/2025		Current - Unity	Salary	Salary	Nick Phillips	Z	18.00		18.00
	3	Subscriptions	20/04/2025		Current - Unity		Subscription	Starboard Systems Lt	d S	15.00	3.00	18.00
	4	Bank Charges	30/04/2025		Current - Unity		Bank Charges	Unity Trust Bank	Z	6.00		6.00
								Tota	ı	350.60	3.00	353.60

Prepared by:		Date:	
	Name and Role (Clerk/RFO etc)		
Approved by:		Date:	
	Name and Role (RFO/Chair of Finance etc)		

	Bank Reconciliation at 28/02	2025		
	Cash in Hand 01/04/2024			5,983.99
	<b>ADD</b> Receipts 01/04/2024 - 28/02/2025			8,764.26
	<b>SUBTRACT</b> Payments 01/04/2024 - 28/02/2025			14,748.25 7,589.91
A	Cash in Hand 28/02/2025 (per Cash Book)			7,158.34
	Cash in hand per Bank Statements			
	Petty Cash HSBC	06/06/2024 04/11/2024	0.00 0.00	
	Current - Unity Savings - Unity	28/02/2025 28/02/2025	853.08 6,305.26	
	Less unpresented payments			7,158.34
				7,158.34
	Plus unpresented receipts			
В	Adjusted Bank Balance			7,158.34
	A = B Checks out OK			

## Your Account Statement



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Mr Nicholas Phillips Scaleby Parish Council 14 Twickenham Court Carlisle CA1 3TW

Date: 31/01/2025

**Account Name:** Scaleby Parish Council

Swift Code (BIC): NWBKGB2L

IBAN Number: GB93NWBK60023571418024

Sort Code: 608301

Account Number: 20513289

Your arranged overdraft limit is £0.00

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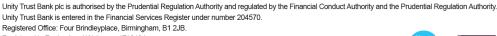
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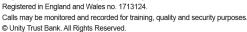
	Your Current T1 account transactions:										
Date	Туре	Details	Paym	ents Out	Payments In	Balance					
31/12/2024		Balance brought forward		£0.00	£0.00	£1,094.23					
15/01/2025	Direct Debit	Direct Debit (GOCARDLESS)	VN61	£18.00	£0.00	£1,076.23					
20/01/2025	Standing Order	S/O to: Nicholas Phillips	VN57	£267.20	£0.00	£809.03					
27/01/2025	Standing Order	S/O to: HMRC	VN58	£62.40	£0.00	£746.63					

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		Your Current T1 acc	ount transact	tions:		
Date	Туре	Details	Payments Out		Payments In	Balance
27/01/2025	Transfer	Transfer from 20513292	From Savings £0.	.00	£750.00	£1,496.63
28/01/2025	Faster Payment Debit	B/P to: Equiphase Ltd	VN70 £66.	.00	£0.00	£1,430.63
29/01/2025	Faster Payment Debit	B/P to: WJP Software Ltd	VN71 £24.	.00	£0.00	£1,406.63
29/01/2025	Faster Payment Debit	B/P to: Autospeedwatch Lim	VN69 £147.	.08	£0.00	£1,259.55
29/01/2025	Faster Payment Debit	B/P to: Scaleby Parish Hal	VN60 £30.	.00	£0.00	£1,229.55
29/01/2025	Faster Payment Debit	B/P to: Nicholas Phillips	VN59 £16.	.87	£0.00	£1,212.68
31/01/2025	Fee	Service Charge	VN55 £6.	.00	£0.00	£1,206.68

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Sort Code: 608301

Account Number: 20513289

Your arranged overdraft limit is £0.00

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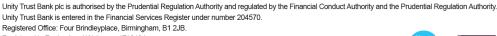
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	Your Current T1 account transactions:										
Date	Туре	Details	Payments Out	Payments In	Balance						
31/01/2025		Balance brought forward	£0.00	£0.00	£1,206.68						
17/02/2025	Direct Debit	Direct Debit (GOCARDLESS)	VN68 £18.00	£0.00	£1,188.68						
20/02/2025	Standing Order	S/O to: Nicholas Phillips	VN66 £267.20	£0.00	£921.48						
25/02/2025	Standing Order	S/O to: HMRC	VN67 £62.40	£0.00	£859.08						

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Your Current T1 account transactions:										
Date	Туре	Details	Payments Out	Payments In	Balance					
28/02/2025	Fee	Service Charge	VN56 £6.00	£0.00	£853.08					

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	Your Instant Access account transactions:											
Date	Туре	Details	Details Payments Out Payments									
31/12/2024		Balance brought forward	£0.00	£0.00	£7,055.26							
27/01/2025	Transfer	Transfer to 20513289	£750.00	£0.00	£6,305.26							

Transfer to current account

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## **Scaleby Parish Council** Monthly breakdown of Receipts and Payments

	Budget	Apr	Мау	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total	Variance
PAYMENTS															
Income															
Precept															
VAT															
Bus Shelter Grant															
Bank Interest															
Core Expenditure															
Salaries				332.80	239.20	239.20	239.20	239.20	303.73	249.20	249.20	249.20	249.20	2,590.13	-2,590.13
PAYE		148.80		83.20	59.80	59.80	59.80	59.80	75.80	62.40	62.40	62.40	62.40	796.60	-796.60
Audit Fees															
Travel															
Office costs		16.15					2.70		3.30		16.87		3.30	42.32	-42.32
Training															
Room Rental		60.00			60.00		210.00		30.00		30.00		30.00	420.00	-420.00
Subscriptions		175.47		99.00	50.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	444.47	-444.47
Bank Charges		8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	11.72	21.40	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	103.12	-103.12
Insurance			304.00											304.00	-304.00
Website											86.00			86.00	-86.00
Payroll									120.00					120.00	-120.00
Working from Home allc					18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	162.00	-162.00
Other expenditure															
Grants					983.95		400.00		400.00					1,783.95	-1,783.95
Speed Indicator Device									926.34		147.08			1,073.42	-1,073.42

## **Monthly breakdown of Receipts and Payments**

Budget	Apr	Мау	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total	Variance
	408.42	312.00	523.00	1,418.95	340.00	956.42	353.40	1,898.17	350.60	630.55	350.60	383.90		
												Total:		7,926.01
												Variance:		-7,926.01

## **Monthly breakdown of Receipts and Payments**

	Budget	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total	Variance
RECEIPTS															
Income															
Precept		6,409.00												6,409.00	6,409.00
VAT															
Bus Shelter Grant				2,300.00										2,300.00	2,300.00
Bank Interest							4.22			51.04				55.26	55.26
Core Expenditure															
Salaries															
PAYE															
Audit Fees															
Travel															
Office costs															
Training															
Room Rental															
Subscriptions															
Bank Charges															
Insurance															
Website															
Payroll															
Working from Home allc															
Other expenditure															
Grants															
Speed Indicator Device															

## **Monthly breakdown of Receipts and Payments**

Budget	Apr	Мау	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total	Variance
	6,409.00		2,300.00			4.22			51.04					
												Total:		8,764.26
												Variance:		8,764.26



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## **SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY**

### **Document history**

Notes of changes	Version No.	Date of approval and adoption		
Sexual Harassment Policy	1	25/3/2025		

THIS SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY IS PUBLISHED AS APPROVED BY SCALEBY PARISH COUNCIL IN MARCH 2025



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## **Scope**

This policy covers all Scaleby Parish Council employees and councillors.

## **Definition of Sexual Harassment**

Sexual harassment is any unwanted behaviour of a sexual nature that makes someone feel offended, humiliated, or intimidated. It can include, but is not limited to:

- Unwelcome sexual advances.
- Inappropriate touching or physical contact.
- Sexual jokes or comments.
- Displaying sexually explicit materials.
- Sending sexually explicit emails or messages.

### **Duty to Prevent Sexual Harassment**

In accordance with the Worker Protection (Amendment of Equality Act 2010) Act 2023, effective from 26 October 2024, we have a duty to take reasonable steps to prevent sexual harassment in the workplace. This includes:

- Implementing preventive measures such as regular training and clear communication of this policy.
- Creating a culture of respect and inclusion.
- Taking proactive steps to identify and mitigate risks of sexual harassment.



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## **Reporting Procedure**

If you experience or witness sexual harassment, you should report it to your line manager. If you do not feel able to do so, report it to the Chair or another councillor. Reports can be made in person or via email.

## **Handling Sexual Harassment Complaints**

All complaints will be taken seriously and handled promptly and sensitively. If proven, we will take prompt and effective action. Any employee found to have engaged in sexual harassment may face disciplinary action, which may include dismissal. Councillors may also be subject to appropriate actions if found to be engaged in sexual harassment.

### **Procedure**

The process will include:

- Acknowledging receipt of the complaint
- Conducting a thorough and impartial investigation
- Keeping all parties informed of the progress
- Ensuring confidentiality as much as possible

Subject to the outcome of an investigation, we may consider a range of formal and, potentially, informal options where both the council and the person making a complaint think this is appropriate.

### **Informal Action**

For example, this might include:

- Explaining to the person who's been complained about why their behaviour was not acceptable and that it needs to change.
- Arranging mediation between the people involved.

### **Formal Action**

A formal procedure will be followed either:

• When informal options have not or would not work or be appropriate or.



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A formal complaint is made at the outset.

## **Disclosure of Sensitive Communications**

We will handle sensitive communications with the utmost care. This includes:

- Maintaining the confidentiality of all parties involved
- Ensuring that any sensitive information disclosed during the investigation is protected
- Following legal guidelines on privilege and disclosure to ensure that sensitive communications are only shared with those who need to know.

#### Supporting People in Speaking Up About Sexual Harassment

We recognise the importance of supporting individuals in speaking up about sexual harassment. We recognise that creating and maintaining an open, respectful culture is key to doing so and, to foster a safe environment for reporting, we will:

- Reduce Psychological Barriers: Acknowledge the difficulty of speaking up and provide reassurance that reports will be taken seriously and handled with sensitivity.
- Lessen Social Threats: Make it clear that the intention of reporting is to improve the workplace environment, not to target individuals.
- **Provide Clear Reporting Channels:** Ensure that people know how and where to report incidents, and that they can do so without fear of retaliation.
- Offer Support and Resources: Provide access to counselling and support services for those who report harassment.
- Encourage a Speak-Up Culture: Regularly communicate the importance of speaking up and, if reasonably possible, provide training on how to do so effectively.

### **Additional Steps for Management**

We also recognise that creating an open and respectful culture is primarily the responsibility of Scaleby Parish Council. To further ensure a harassment-free workplace, management will:



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- Include in Policies and Training: Ensure that our zero tolerance of sexual harassment is properly reflected in other policies, induction and on the job training.
- **Lead by Example:** Demonstrate zero tolerance for sexual harassment through their own behaviour and actions.
- Communicate Clearly: Communicate the importance of a harassment-free workplace and the steps being taken to ensure it.
- **Report Instances:** Any complaints about sexual harassment will be reported to the Chair and, if appropriate, other reporting action taken.
- **Regular Training:** Conduct annual training sessions for all employees, and councillors on recognising, preventing, and addressing sexual harassment.

## **Support for Affected Individuals**

We will provide support to anyone affected by sexual harassment, including access to counselling services and adjustments to work arrangements if needed.

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## **Grant Awarding Policy**

This Grant Awarding Policy was approved by Scaleby Parish Council at their meeting on 25 March 2025

## **Policy Statement**

A grant or subsidy is any payment made by Scaleby Parish Council (SPC) to be used by an organisation for a specific purpose in the furtherance of the wellbeing of the community.

## **Guidelines for Grant Applications**

- 1) It is a condition of any grant application that the group or project must bring direct benefit to the residents of the parish. All applications must clearly demonstrate how this will be achieved.
- 2) Grant Aid application forms are available from the Clerk or from the Parish Council website. Application forms must be submitted along with the latest set of the group's annual accounts and bank statement(s). It is important that all questions on the application form are fully answered and that any appropriate additional information, which supports an application, is provided.
- 3) Retrospective grant applications will only be considered under special circumstances.
- 4) The scheme provides awards for new as well as grants for existing organisations. Applications will be considered for day-to-day running expenses and individual projects.
- 5) Applications WILL NOT be considered from:
  - a. Organisations intending to support or oppose any particular political party or to discriminate on the grounds of race or religion.
  - b. Private organisations operated as a business to make a profit or surplus.
  - c. "Upward funders", i.e. local groups whose fund raising is sent to their central HQ for redistribution.
- 6) Applications from religious groups will be considered where a clear benefit to the wider community can be demonstrated irrespective of their religious beliefs.
- 7) It must be understood that any grant must only be used for the purpose for which it was awarded

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- 8) SPC reserves the right to request any further information that it deems necessary to assist the decision making process
- 9) Ongoing commitments to award grants or subsidies in future years will not be made. A fresh application will be required each year.
- 10) The size of any grant awarded is at the sole discretion of SPC
- 11)SPC reserves the right to refuse any grant application which is considered to be inappropriate or against the objectives of the parish council.
- 12) The decision of the Parish Council is final and not subject to appeal.
- 13)SPC sets a budget in November of each year for the following financial year (April -March) and therefore grant applications will be discussed and agreed at the September meeting of the Parish Council. Any applications and associated paperwork should therefore be received by the Clerk no later than two weeks before the September meeting. Grants will then normally be paid in the next financial year.
- 14)Any urgent application for funding made outside of the normal budget setting cycle may be deferred until the next budget cycle. Councillors, at their discretion, may resolve to consider payment earlier than the next financial year.

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# SCALEBY PARISH COUNCIL GRANT APPLICATION FORM

Name of Organisation:		
Address:		
Telephone No:		Email:
Contact Name & Position in Organisation:		
Contact Address (if differen	t from above):	
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BANK DETAILS: 5. Account Name, Sort code and Account Number			
6. Please tick to confirm you have enclo copy of your latest audited accounts, most recent bank statement(s) to sup your application	and	Audited Accounts Latest Bank Statement(s)	
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Clerk to Scaleby Parish Council, Nick P	hillins 14	Twickenham Court Carlisle Co	Δ1 3TW
	-	<u>v.uk</u> or 0750 800 1602	
For Scaleby Parish Council use only:			
Date application received by SPC:			
Date submitted to full SPC:			
Request approved / Not approved	Am	ount awarded (if applicable):	
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## Scaleby Parish Hall Committee.

14th March 2025

Dear Hirer

#### **AGM**

We would like to invite you to our AGM on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April at 7.00pm, where the committee will review the previous year and plan for future events. If anyone is interested in joining the committee or able to help at any of our events, please get in touch with Nicky Alcock (07879 441346).

If you are unable to attend the AGM but have some ideas or questions, please let us know. We are very interested in your feedback and look forward to your continuing use of the hall.

**Kind Regards** 

Scaleby Village Hall Committee

Chairman: Andrew Edgar 675202 Secretary: Nicky Alcock 07879 441346

Treasurer/Bookings: Louise Utting 07906309270