

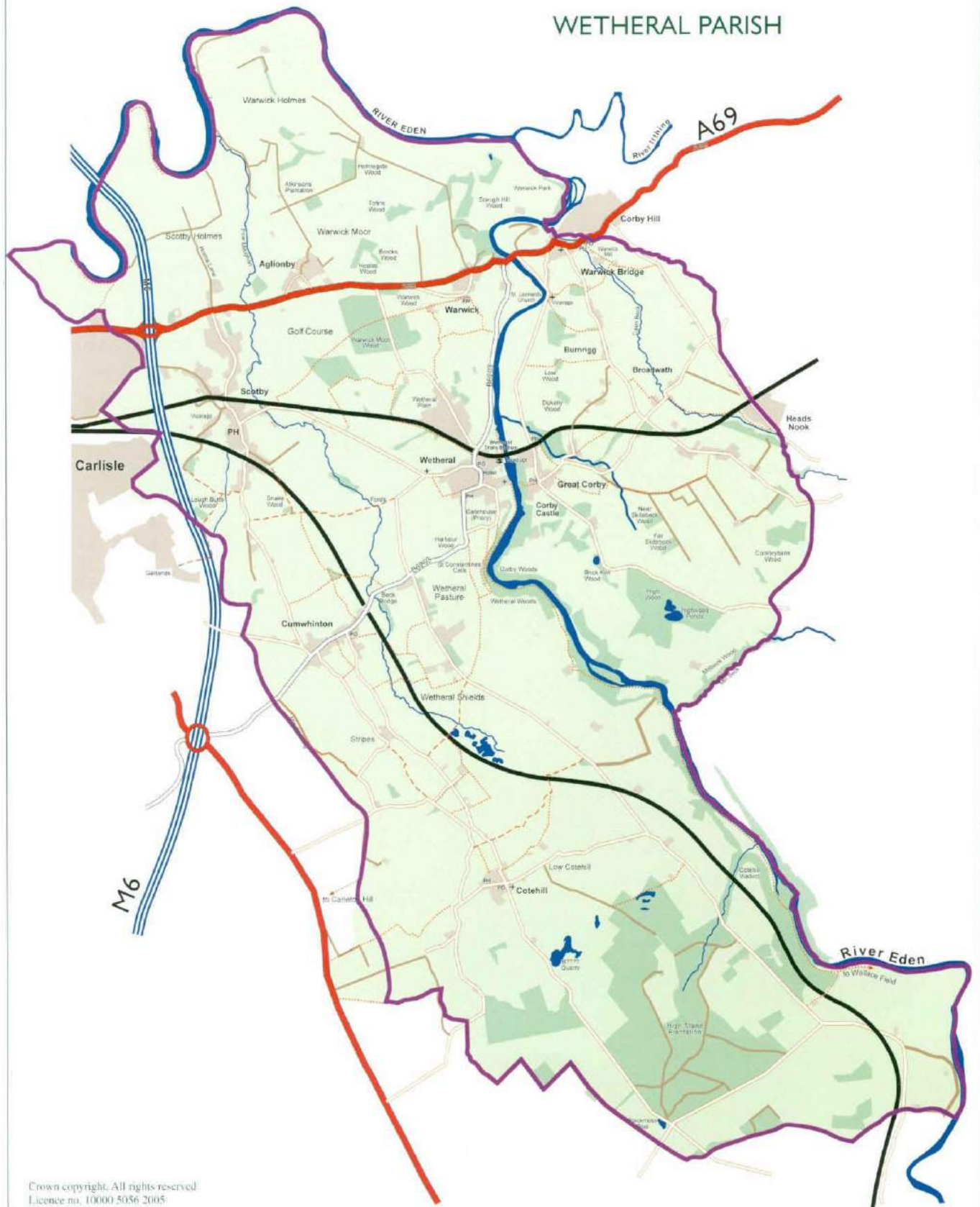
Wetheral

Parish Plan

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WETHERAL PARISH



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I. INTRODUCTION

Parish Plans are an important step in helping local rural communities to take charge of their own destinies and also an opportunity to strengthen the first and most local form of government we have in this country -the Parish Council.'

'Our Countryside, the Future', Government Rural White Paper, 2000

Parish Plans are used to influence the decision-making of a wide range of organisations that provide policies, support and/or services to rural communities. They are also greatly instrumental in securing grant aid for projects that are of benefit to the community.

Wetheral Parish Council has developed its Parish Plan after collating the views of a cross-section of its population. What follows is our Parish Plan. This is how we see our village communities developing in the future and how we can help to make things happen.

Consultation Day





PREPARATION

The Parish Council first discussed the Parish Plan in the spring of 2004. A steering committee was established and financial help was obtained from the Countryside Agency. After guidance from the Rural Support Officer at Carlisle City Council a questionnaire was drawn up that reflected the range of issues brought to the Council's attention.

The questionnaire was designed to elicit responses to a number of key areas of perceived concern. Most questions offered a simple 'tick box' response. However, in addition there were a number of open-ended questions relating to perceived problems, quality of life issues and what future developments there should be. The questionnaire was hand delivered to every other household in the parish in January 2005. 1,215 questionnaires were given out, of which 510 were posted back; a response rate of 42%.

The parish was fortunate in securing the voluntary services of a qualified statistician living in the parish to analyse the information.

A public consultation day was arranged for Wednesday 11 May 2005. This brought together representatives from various organisations, such as the Environment Agency, East Cumbria Countryside Project, Carlisle Housing Department, Capita, Carlisle Planning, Police, District and County councillors, etc. The event was well attended by parishioners from all over the parish. An open question-and-answer session identified a number of key areas of concern:

I. INTRODUCTION

- ♦ Closure of the Dalston branch surgery in Wetheral.
- ♦ Lack of flood warning precautions (in Warwick Bridge).
- ♦ Closure of the Wetheral river road (B6263) due to subsidence.
- ♦ New planning applications not necessarily taking into account parking issues in small communities.
- ♦ Need for affordable housing.
- ♦ Implications of the forthcoming viaduct repairs.
- ♦ Sustainable transport issues.
- ♦ Detrunking of A69.
- ♦ Police response to parking problems in Park Road, Scotby.

Full details of all these issues are outlined in Appendix C.

Wetheral c. 1845

oil on canvas by Sam Bough (1822-1878)

Tullie House Museum & Art Gallery, Carlisle





GENERAL PERCEPTIONS

Most respondents have a very positive attitude towards the parish and their specific community. Tranquillity, peace, spectacular views and the slower pace of life were all mentioned as reasons why they were initially drawn to the parish and why they still remain. Geographic location is important too, due to the proximity of Carlisle as a regional centre for shopping and commerce, and to the motorway for easy access to Scotland and the north-west. Safety is of great concern – many people drew attention to the low crime rate (there were 55.7 crimes per 1000 population for Wetheral ward, compared with a Carlisle District average of 109.6 in 2001), and a feeling of security and safety for their children. Respondents also acknowledged a strong community spirit, the presence of good primary schools, friendly vicars and other 'attractions', such as Walton's Farm Shop and scenic local walks.

However there is a minority who are less happy with their community. There was criticism of 'incomers' and their lack of participation in village life. This was felt to lead to a breakdown of community values and an increasing trend for some villages to become dormitory settlements for urban Carlisle.

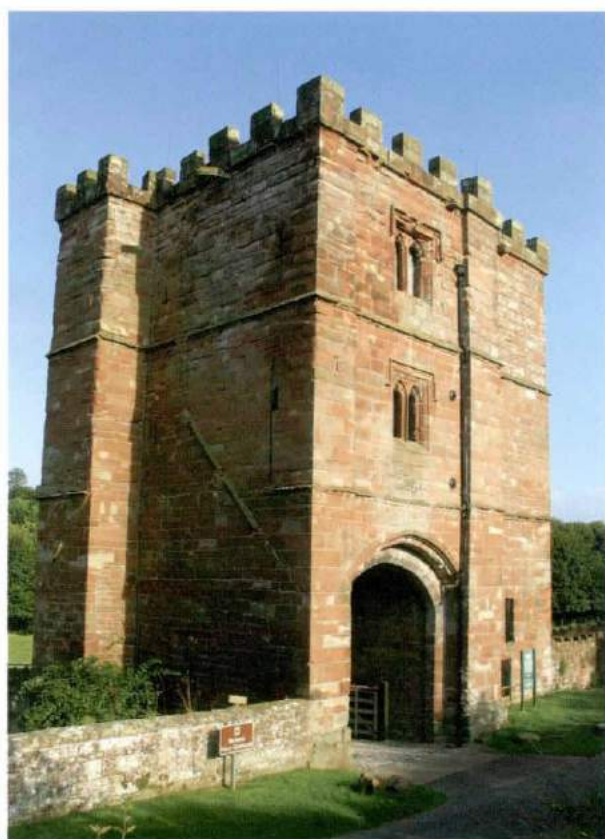
Whilst each village had its own specific problems, some were common throughout the parish. There was a strong desire for more youth provision to help redress vandalism, petty crime and boredom. Litter was a problem everywhere, particularly with regard to roadside tipping. It was suggested that the notion of 'Pride in the Community' should be promoted more to help with the upkeep and maintenance of village facilities. There should be more recycling facilities generally. Finally, it was suggested that precept money (raised through Council Tax) should be made available to help solve these problems and that, if necessary, the precept should be increased to take account of the additional costs.

2. BACKGROUND

Wetheral Parish consists of an area of some 5,508 hectares (13,610 acres), located to the east of Carlisle. The parish is composed of 5 wards: Wetheral in the centre, Great Corby to the east (including Burnrigg, Broadwath, Warwick Bridge and part of Heads Nook), Cumwhinton and Cotehill to the south, Scotby to the west and Aglionby and Warwick-on-Eden to the north.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

Some evidence of Bronze Age settlements has been found in the north of the parish and there are the remains of a Roman ford at Warwick Bridge. During Norman times, Wetheral lay on the fringes of Inglewood Forest, one of the largest tracts of woodland in England to be preserved as a hunting ground.



In the early 12th century Benedictine monks founded a Priory in Wetheral close to the river Eden. They were quick to exploit the riches of the river and constructed a weir and traps to catch salmon. Today, these are the only surviving working medieval fish traps in England. A little further upstream are St Constantine's Cells. It is thought that the three caves were hewn out of the local rock to store grain for the monks of Wetheral Priory. The priory was demolished in 1539 and much of the stone was used to build the present farmhouse. Only the gatehouse remains, now in the care of English Heritage. Nearby, the priory church houses a renowned 18th-century sculpture by Nollekens, depicting grief.

The Roman Catholic Church (Our Lady & St Wilfred) in Warwick Bridge was designed by Augustus Pugin, who was also the architect for the Houses of Parliament. The church and the presbytery still have their original interiors. Corby Castle lies across the Eden from Wetheral. The castle has developed around a medieval pele tower. In the early 19th century a classical facade of five bays and a central porch was added with two lions (the heraldic symbol of the Howard family, the then owners) which adorn the roof. The grounds were laid out in the 1720s and contain many elements of classical 18th century landscaping, including a cascade, promenades and statuary.

Priory Gatehouse, Wetheral

Train at Wetheral Station



During the Industrial Revolution cloth was produced at several mills in the area, most notably at Warwick Bridge. Corn mills were established at Broadwath, Warwick Bridge and Wetheral. The old corn mill at Warwick Bridge is largely intact and in need of urgent restoration.

The Newcastle–Carlisle line was the first cross-country railway in England. Its viaduct over the Eden is a prime example of Victorian railway engineering. It was completed in 1837 with five arches built out of the local red sandstone. A footbridge was added a few years later to enable the residents of Great Corby to walk to Wetheral (instead of taking the ferry across the Eden).

The railway led to several of Carlisle's industrial magnates building grand houses in Scotby and Wetheral, thereby becoming some of the country's earliest commuters.

The main industry in the area continues to be agriculture. Some small farms still operate, but the assimilation of farmland and general decline of agriculture has led to a decrease in rural employment. Many of our houses are now occupied by people who work in Carlisle and further afield or by those who are retired. Much of the agricultural land adjacent to our villages is owned by developers.

Warwick Mill



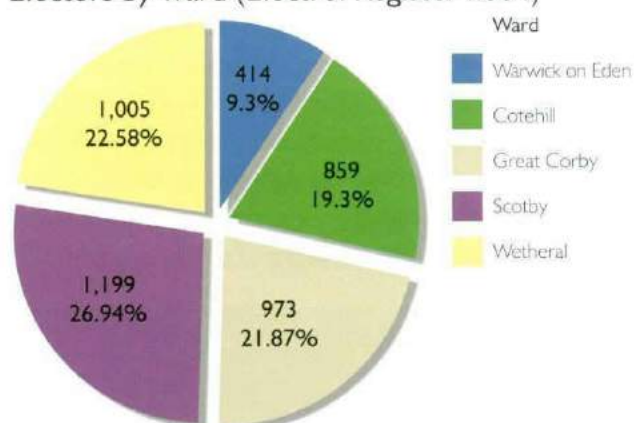
2. BACKGROUND

PEOPLE AND HOUSING

Wetheral Parish has a total population of 5,203 and 2,168 households (2001 census). Figures show a 3.96% increase in population on the previous census of 1991.

Although the total population by ward is not available, the number of electors in each ward is as follows:

Electors by ward (Electrol Register 2004)

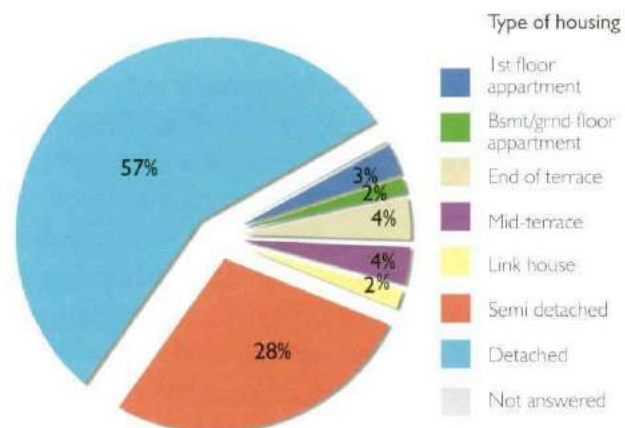


The age structure is represented in the graph below. Only 7.6% of the total population is in the 16-24 age range. This is lower than the figure for Cumbria as a whole (9.14%) and might be representative of a general trend for young single people to move away from the parish for educational or employment reasons or because of a lack of affordable housing.

Age structure (2001 census)

Age	0-4 years	211
Age	5-15 years	741
Age	16-24 years	393
Age	25-44 years	1266
Age	45-64 years	1530
Age	65-74 years	572
Age	75+ years	490

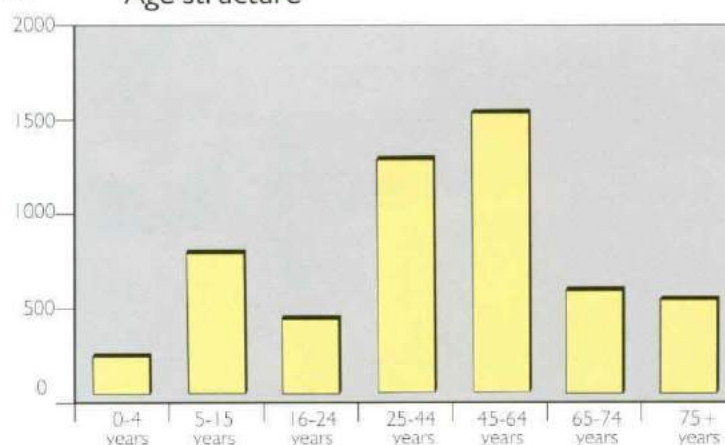
Housing type



The majority of people in the parish are owner occupiers – 1,872 (86.3%) (2001 census). The percentage is substantially higher than for Cumbria as a whole (72.3%). The percentage in social or privately rented accommodation is 13.6% (as against 27.7% in Cumbria). These figures are partially reflected in the results of the questionnaire analysis for the Parish Plan (89.6% owner occupied and only 5.5% in rental accommodation) – see Appendix B.

The 2001 census identified 30 homes as holiday or second homes, representing 1.33% of the total housing stock.

Age structure



EMPLOYMENT

The majority of parishioners are in some form of employment (65%) whether full time or part time paid work, or self-employed. Another 19.6% are retired; 5.5% are students and 10.5% are unemployed or 'other'. The figures for employment and the retired are slightly higher than for the county as a whole, while the numbers unemployed or classed as 'other' are lower than for Cumbria generally.

EDUCATION

The total number in primary and secondary education is 789 (January 2005). An analysis of numbers of children between 5 and 16 shows a general decrease in the number enrolled in education – reflected in the falling birth rate over the last decade. In 2005, the intake into primary school reception classes was 38 pupils throughout the whole parish. When compared to the intake for 1994 (78 pupils) this represents a decline of 51% over 11 years.

Great Corby Primary School



3. TRANSPORT

MOTORWAY AND ROADS

The M6 motorway passes through the parish (exits at Junctions 42 and 43) allowing easy access to Scotland, north-west England and to Ireland (via the ferry at Stranraer). The northern part of the parish is bisected by the A69, identified as a Euro route and a major trunk road linking Carlisle to Newcastle. Concerns over the number of heavy goods vehicles passing through Warwick Bridge have prompted calls for the A69 to be de-classified as a major trunk road in favour of the A689.

The recent closure of the river road at Wetheral (B6263) due to subsidence has raised many concerns about the increase in volume of traffic on Plains Road and the heightened risk of accidents at the junction between Plains Road and the A69. At the time of printing, Cumbria Highways have indicated that the B6263 will re-open by January 2006.

Subsidence on B6263, Wetheral



Speeding traffic and parking problems were cited as major problems throughout the parish, each community having its own issues. Although most people thought the roads were 'okay', over 36% regarded the roads and pavements to be in poor condition.

Former station at Cumwhinton



RAILWAYS

Two railway lines run through the parish:

1. The **Newcastle–Carlisle line**, opened in 1837, is the earliest cross-country railway in the UK, passing through Scotby, Wetheral, Great Corby and Heads Nook. While Scotby and Heads Nook stations are now closed, Wetheral station is currently in use, but this is now under review. Many residents expressed a desire for more trains to stop at Wetheral station, and would like to see Heads Nook station re-opened.
2. The **Carlisle to Settle line** takes a southerly course through the parish via Cumwhinton. The station at Cumwhinton was closed in 1956. There are no other stations in the parish that feed this line – the next stop being Armathwaite.

BUS SERVICES & ALTERNATIVE ROAD TRANSPORT

Stagecoach provides a service to all communities within the parish. These buses provide a vital link between villages and the main shopping centres of Carlisle and Brampton. The recently launched Rural Wheels service is available throughout the parish and the surrounding area, supplying vital transport for those not able to get to bus stops. By joining the scheme it is possible to travel as and when required during weekdays.



Local bus service

CYCLEWAYS

There are currently no dedicated cycle routes in the parish, although it has been proposed that two combined cycleway/pedestrian paths be built leading into Carlisle, one on the south side of the A69 from Warwick Bridge to the M6 at J43 and the second from Cumwhinton to J42 and the intersection with London Road, a third is proposed for the road between Scotby and Wetheral.



ACTION

- ♦ Support all initiatives to accelerate the de-trunking of the A69.
- ♦ Request that Carlisle City Council install speed restriction signs in all villages that do not already have them.
- ♦ Lobby Northern Trains for more trains to stop at Wetheral and to keep the station open.
- ♦ Negotiate with Cumbria County Council, Area Transport Advisory Group (ATAG) and Sustrans for provision of funding for cycleways.
- ♦ Closely monitor the condition of the B6263 and the impact on the immediate area.

4. SERVICES

SHOPS AND POST OFFICES

There are village shops combined with post offices at Wetheral, Scotby and Cumwhinton and hairdressing salons in Wetheral and Scotby. Wetheral also has a farm shop (Walton's Farm Shop) selling a range of locally grown fruit and vegetables. Parishioners also benefit from having a Tesco store within the parish.

Scotby village shop



SCHOOLS

There are four primary schools within the parish – at Great Corby, Warwick Bridge, Cumwhinton and Scotby. Secondary school children have a choice of William Howard School in Brampton, Caldew School at Dalston or one of the schools in Carlisle. In recent years a number of pre-school nurseries have been established throughout the parish. They are often attached to primary schools, although a few are independently run.

The Memorial Hall, Warwick-on-Eden



VILLAGE HALLS, CHURCH HALLS AND COMMUNITY CENTRES

Village halls, church halls and community centres are seen as highly important centres for village activities, providing a focus for communal projects, events and fundraising efforts across all ages, and engendering a strong community spirit. However, the maintenance of these halls is an increasing burden because of the high costs of insulation and central heating combined with stringent health and safety regulations and the statutory requirements for disabled access. The rural village halls are maintained by their local communities, with some public sector grants.

RECREATION

Most villages have some form of recreational facility, whether a playing field, children's play area, bowling green or leisure club. There are playing fields at Wetheral, Scotby, Great Corby, Warwick Bridge, Cotehill and Heads Nook (the latter lies just outside the parish). Cumwhinton School playing field is available when not in use by the school. Children's play areas are found at Wetheral (Turnmire Common), Great Corby (on playing field), Warwick Bridge (Down-a-Gate), Warwick-on-Eden (adjacent to Queen's Arms Inn) and at Scotby (Parkett Hill). There are bowling greens at Great Corby and Wetheral. Wetheral also has a large leisure centre attached to the Crown Hotel for guests and affiliated members only. Carlisle Golf Club is located near the Waterloo Inn off the A69. Aglionby is the only sizeable village without any recreational areas, but there is interest from a group of residents in developing a play area. The majority of recreational areas are maintained by their local communities. Few are actually owned by the Parish Council.

Footballers at Warwick Bridge



PLACES OF WORSHIP

The parish contains a cross-section of places for Christian worship. There are Church of England churches at Wetheral (Holy Trinity & St Constantine), Holme Eden (St Paul's), Scotby (All Saints'), Cotehill (St John the Evangelist) and Warwick-on-Eden (St Leonard's). There is also a strong Roman Catholic presence in the parish, with a church at Warwick Bridge (Our Lady & St Wilfred) and, until recently, private chapels at Warwick Hall and Corby Castle. Methodist chapels are located at Wetheral and Cotehill.

4. SERVICES

CRIME AND SAFETY

The parish has two community police officers and as a result of the new neighbourhood police initiative, the travelling police station comes to the parish on a regular basis. Despite this effort to provide more visible local policing, some villagers (80% in Great Corby) are still unaware who their community police officer is. Generally, the parish was perceived as a safe place to live, across all ages.



Mobile speed sign, Wetheral

Summary of crimes reported in Wetheral Parish (2004)

Offence Type	Wetheral Parish	Carlisle District	Cumbria
Burglary Dwelling	11	451	1462
Burglary Other	47	986	2602
Criminal Damage	60	3385	12881
Drugs	0	238	1299
Fraud & Forgery	14	414	1538
Offences Against the Person	22	2285	9891
Other	5	138	699
Robbery	0	46	115
Sexual Offences	0	78	349
Theft	51	3002	9147
Theft from a Motor Vehicle	30	811	2455
Theft of a Motor Vehicle	7	408	1102
Total	247	12242	43540

DOCTORS

The main surgery is at Brampton, but branch surgeries are located at Wetheral and Corby Hill (the latter being just outside the parish). The majority of parish residents are registered with Brampton surgery; the remainder being with other practices in Carlisle and Dalston.



ACTION

- ◆ Help to preserve village halls, community centres & play areas by working with Voluntary Action Cumbria (VAC), Carlisle Voluntary Services (CVS), Rural Development Officer at City Council and Neighbourhood Development Officer at County Council to access grants, funding and officer support.
- ◆ Assist recreation areas in accessing grant aid for capital improvements and maintenance.
- ◆ Continue to support local churches and other places of worship with the maintenance of their immediate surroundings.
- ◆ Liaise with police force to increase or maintain neighbourhood policing initiative.



Graffiti on bus shelter, Down-a-Gate

5. ENVIRONMENT

TOPOGRAPHY, GEOLOGY AND LAND USE

The topography is generally flat to rolling, with agriculture being the main land use. The underlying rock type is New Red Sandstone occasionally overlain by glacial deposits of boulder clay and sand. This has given rise to free-draining neutral to acidic soils with some waterlogging in clay-filled depressions. Most of the land is used for pasture, however arable crops are becoming more widespread. Sandstone is the predominant building material for most of the older houses.

The River Eden has cut through this gently undulating landscape creating a series of sandstone bluffs, most dramatically seen at Wetheral where the river has incised a deep gorge through the sandstone.



View to Cotehill

heron



NATURAL HABITATS AND WILDLIFE

One of the key features of the parish is the River Eden, which meanders northwards to join the River Irthing at Newby East. The Eden is classified as a special area of conservation because of its importance as a migratory path for salmon, sea trout and lampreys. Herons and kingfishers are regularly seen along the river, together with swans, goosanders, cormorants and oystercatchers.

Ospreys are occasional visitors to the river. Exposed sand banks are often used by nesting sand martins in the summer.



otters

The riverbank provides cover for otters, badgers, foxes and deer. Otters have become more numerous in recent years and can now be found throughout the parish. However, introduced mink are also common and are largely responsible for destroying the local water vole population.

The Eden is renowned as a site for water crowfoot. However the bank sides have been invaded by Himalayan Balsam, which also proliferates in many other areas of the parish.

salmon



Wetheral Woods (owned by the National Trust) is an ancient woodland site, as is Glenwillie Woods at Great Corby and Glencairn Wood at Heads Nook (owned by the Woodland Trust). All these woodlands and others alongside the river have a varied ground flora including wood sorrel, celandine, wood anemone, bluebell, lords and ladies – typical indicator species of former ancient woodlands. Warwick Moor Wood is classified as a site of conservation interest for its lowland heath species (heather, dewberry, wood sage, tormentil and heath bedstraw). High Stand Plantation in the south of the parish is owned by the Forestry Commission. Although the plantation is currently managed for commercial timber, the Forestry Commission have provided car parking and allow public access and recreation. All these woods provide a refuge for the rapidly diminishing red squirrel population. Unfortunately there have been recent sightings of grey squirrels in Wetheral.

Wetheral woods



FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS

The parish enjoys a good network of public rights of way, including footpaths, bridleways and by-ways. In particular, the footpaths along the Eden gorge and through the adjacent woodlands offer spectacular views. The maintenance of footpaths is the responsibility of the County Council, but in Carlisle District this function is devolved to the East Cumbria Countryside Project (ECCP) to ensure that all our public rights of way, waymarkers, stiles and kissing gates are maintained to high standards.

Wetheral Parish Council works in partnership with ECCP through an enthusiastic Rights of Way committee which carries out biennial reviews of the footpath network and submits reports to ECCP to rectify any problems. In 2000, to celebrate the millennium, the Parish Council produced a footpath map which was distributed free of charge to all parishioners. The committee are constantly looking at ways to improve the network of local footpaths and bridleways, and are currently seeking to open up linking paths to create new circular routes.

red squirrel



5. ENVIRONMENT

The same committee has also instigated improvements to The Strand at Aglionby, and initiated the restoration of all cast-iron direction signposts throughout the parish. Current ongoing projects include tidying up the area around the ferry landing at Wetheral, providing car parking and improved access to Brackenbank Wood, and installing information panels at both sites.

RECYCLING FACILITIES



Recycling, Down-a-Gate

Cumwhinton School	Paper
Crown Hotel, Wetheral	Glass
Down-a-Gate	Glass, paper & clothing
Lowther Arms, CWhinton	Glass
Scotby School	Glass & paper
Tesco	Glass, paper, clothing & plastic

Carlisle City Council operates a highly successful glass and cans, garden waste and newspaper recycling scheme throughout most of the parish. Over half of the parishioners use the recycling banks and 85% participate in the District Council recycling collections.

PLANNING



Cumwhinton – old and new

Most village centres lie within Conservation Areas, which offer a degree of protection against unrestricted development. Most communities have experienced a large amount of infill development, notably Cumwhinton, Scotby and Cotehill. Some infill has been within existing gardens exacerbating parking and access problems. This has led to many residents opposing any further developments. However, the questionnaire shows a continuing need for more housing for the elderly, the young and low-income families.

The Tannery, Scotby





Flooding at Warwick Bridge

Following the floods in January 2005, residents of Warwick Bridge wish to be included in any consultation process for extending the area of flood prevention and also wish to be included in any flood warning systems.

FLY TIPPING

This is a particular problem on Plains Road and the river road (Wetheral) as well as in other parts of the parish.

Rubbish dumping, Plains Road



DOG FOULING

This is a continuing problem throughout the parish, although dog fouling enforcement notices are prominent in most public areas (village greens, playing fields, public rights of way). Dog fouling has been a fineable offence since 1996.

ACTION

- ◆ Work with the Environment Agency, English Nature, Eden Rivers Trust and local landowners to help maintain and enhance the quality of the River Eden, its tributaries and bank sides.
- ◆ Encourage English Nature, Eden Rivers Trust, the Environment Agency and local landowners to facilitate the return of rare species by developing conservation strategies.
- ◆ Attempt to find ways of controlling the spread of Himalayan Balsam along the banks of the river and in other parts of the parish.
- ◆ Liaise with Red Alert to try to maintain the red squirrel population and control the spread of grey squirrels into the area.
- ◆ Take an active roll in the consultation process for flood risk and management with the Environment Agency and District Council.
- ◆ Rights of Way Committee to investigate linking circular routes.
- ◆ Ensure all households within the parish are included in the council-led recycling scheme.
- ◆ Continue to work closely with District and County Councils when fly tipping occurs.
- ◆ Promote 'Pride in the Community' within schools and youth groups to reinforce messages regarding dog fouling and litter.
- ◆ Promote control of ragwort with landowners and if necessary notify authorities of failure by landowners to control it.

6. YOUTH

Generally, there is a shortage of youth activities within the parish. There are dance classes, Rainbows and Brownies for primary school children and football and cricket for youths. However, these activities are all reliant on finding suitable volunteers to run them. As a result, Down-a-Gate, at Warwick Bridge has recently been allocated funding by the District Council for a paid development/management worker.



Brownies

As part of the process of involving the community in producing the Parish Plan, all the primary schools in the area were approached and given £100 each to develop a community-based scheme. Cumwhinton School carried out a parking analysis near the school to ascertain the numbers of cars parking at the school at different times and where they parked. Full details of their survey can be found in Appendix D. Great Corby School developed an environmental scheme to create a wider awareness of wild flowers and compared this with cultivated varieties. They also undertook a local floral survey, and developed a garden area to look at the propagation of plants. Scotby School spent the grant on further developing its links with schools in other parts of Europe and Warwick Bridge School provided a bench near the new play area at Down-a-Gate.

ACTION

- ◆ Wetheral Parish Council and community groups to encourage both District and County Councils to provide more professional support in the form of youth workers.
- ◆ To support community centres and village halls in applications for youth related capital costs, such as table tennis tables, badminton nets and pool tables.
- ◆ Continue to look for suitable sites for play equipment.

Play area at Great Corby



7. COMMUNICATIONS

Events in the parish are promoted through two monthly church newsletters: 'Focus on Eden' which serves the villages of Wetheral, Aglionby, Warwick-on-Eden, Holme Eden, Great Corby, Warwick Bridge, Heads Nook and Croglin, and 'The Pow Maughan' which serves the villages of Scotby, Cumwhinton and Cotehill.

The Parish Council, currently based at the Council Office in Wetheral, holds monthly meetings (minutes available), and produces an annual report. The Parish Council is also responsible for the upkeep of 19 noticeboards throughout the parish and recently produced a commemorative map showing all rights of way in the parish, which was freely distributed to all parishioners.

ACTION

- ◆ Help support a website with information on the parish (including forthcoming events, available facilities) and details of the Council's monthly transactions.
- ◆ Display monthly agendas on a noticeboard in each ward.
- ◆ Continue to produce an annual report and to include an update on the Parish Plan in future years.
- ◆ Encourage more residents to become involved in THEIR community NOW.

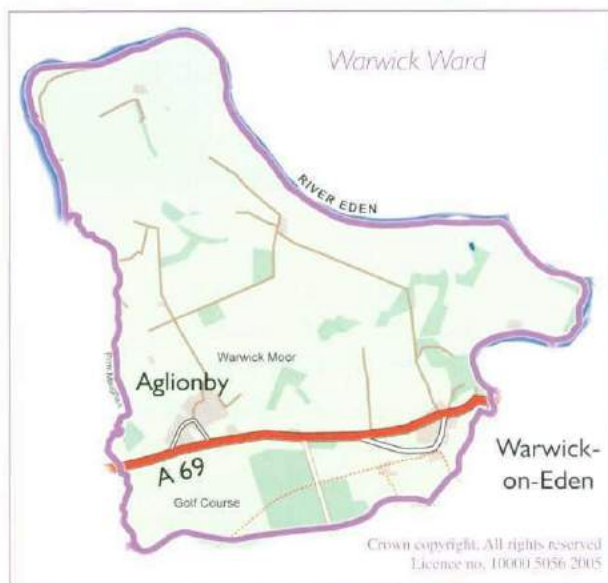
Parish Council noticeboard at Wetheral



8. COMMUNITY AUDITS

AGLIONBY

The village of Aglionby lies immediately to the north of the A69, and has close access to Junction 43 of the M6. This is the only village in the parish without a communal meeting place, having no village hall (the nearest being at Warwick-on-Eden), church, school or public house. The village backs on to agricultural land at the rear, and suffers from agricultural machinery passing through the village at certain times of year. The Strand is an open access area with a naturalised pond, woodland and grassed areas.



CONCERNS

- ♦ Speed and volume of traffic on A69 creates difficulties in crossing the road to get to the bus stop and in exiting the village by car, particularly if heading towards Carlisle.
- ♦ Hedges on either side of village exits are too high for good visibility, problem compounded by a 'dog-leg' in the hedge/fence.
- ♦ Large number of road traffic accidents between the Waterloo pub and the Wetheral turn-off (at the crucifix) caused by excessive speed of traffic and inadequate lines of sight for safe overtaking.
- ♦ Need for communal meeting place, preferably a village hall.
- ♦ Increasing demand for play area as the number of children in the village grows.
- ♦ The volume and weight of agricultural traffic is seen as a major problem; many vehicles are too wide and too heavy, causing road surface problems. Concerns over safety of residents, parked cars and garden boundaries. Furthermore, they often pass through the village in the early morning and create a lot of noise.
- ♦ Strong desire to restrict further in-fill development.
- ♦ Frequency and quality of grass cutting not good enough.
- ♦ Will the pond area be regularly maintained?
- ♦ Illegal parking on the village green.
- ♦ Spoil heaps on the Strand are unsightly and interfere with drainage.



Aglionby pond

ACTION POINTS

- ◆ Support any action to de-trunk the A69.
- ◆ Request that Cumbria County Council extend double white lines between Waterloo pub and Plains Road and consider straightening dog leg in fence/hedge.
- ◆ The Parish Council to assist in circulating a questionnaire to determine levels of support for a community centre and a play area.
- ◆ Discuss with owners of agricultural vehicles the possibility of a one-way system through Aglionby to limit the volume of agricultural traffic.
- ◆ Establish regular meetings with those responsible for agricultural vehicular traffic in order to alleviate problems where possible.
- ◆ Monitor frequency and quality of grass cutting and adjust as necessary.
- ◆ Ensure pond area is regularly maintained and install safety measures near edges of pond.
- ◆ Remove spoil heaps on the Strand.
- ◆ Install kerb stones around the green to deter vehicles parking.

WARWICK-ON-EDEN

Warwick-on-Eden is a small village just off the A69. It was originally an estate village, with most of the houses and its farms being owned by Warwick Hall. Now all of the estate houses and the 7 farms have been sold, with the result that there is now only one working farm. The majority of the houses are now owner-occupied and several new developments have been built on the periphery of the village. Whilst all of the 'infill' sites in the village have now been developed, the village has 'conservation status' to protect against further development.

The village is made up of a broad cross-section of ages although a large percentage of residents are retired. The majority of those who are employed work outside the village. There is a local public house (Queen's Arms) and two pre-school nurseries: a Montessori School and the Stone Eden Nursery. A play area behind the Queen's Arms is maintained by a village committee. There is no low income housing in the village.

The Warwick-on-Eden and Aglionby Memorial Hall, the old Methodist chapel and St Leonard's (Church of England) church lie on the opposite side of the busy A69 from the village, with some parking immediately outside. The village hall management committee is currently raising money to purchase the hall. A questionnaire to assess the level of potential use of the hall showed that there is a strong demand for activities for the young and elderly. The committee are planning to carry out a phased renovation of the hall, installing a new kitchen, central heating and disabled access.

8. COMMUNITY AUDITS

WARWICK-ON-EDEN (continued)

CONCERNS

- ♦ Access onto the A69 concerns many residents.
- ♦ The volume and speed of traffic on the A69 is a major problem.
- ♦ Concerns with speed of traffic passing through the village.
- ♦ The Montessori School creates parking congestion, with pavements blocked by cars in the centre of the village.
- ♦ Long term future of village hall.

ACTION POINTS

- ♦ Support any action to de-trunk the A69.
- ♦ Request installation of speed restriction signs.
- ♦ Support the village hall management committee in their aims to purchase and renovate the hall.
- ♦ Encourage community to liaise with police to ease parking congestion.



COTEHILL

Cotehill is a nuclear settlement on a small hill in the south of the parish. The village has a community hall with a children's play area adjacent. A new playing field was created with the development of new houses at St John's Close. There are two places of worship: St John the Evangelist Church (Church of England) and Cotehill Methodist Chapel. Until recently, Cotehill had a small school that is now unused. The village also has a pub – The Greyhound.

CONCERNS

- ♦ More bungalows for pensioners are needed.
- ♦ The old school (presently owned by the Duke of Devonshire) needs to be put to new use to prevent further vandalism – possibly as a community centre incorporating youth provision.
- ♦ Parking in The Narrows is a continuing problem.
- ♦ Speeding.

ACTION POINTS

- ♦ Give support to a housing needs survey.
- ♦ Assist with questionnaire to residents about future of school building.
- ♦ Request speed reduction signs in village.

Redundant school, Cotehill

CUMWHINTON

Cumwhinton is a largely linear village stretched out along the B6263 between Wetheral and Junction 42 (M6). Recently the village has seen a great deal of infill development and conversion of farm buildings (Holme Farm, Beech Tree Farm and Townhead Farm). The village supports a shop, public house (Lowther Arms) and a primary school. The village hall is on the main road (adjacent to the war memorial) with parking on the road. The school has its own playing field, which is available to the public when not in use by the school.

Pupils of the school recently took part in a survey to record the number of vehicles using the road at certain times of day and where these vehicles parked, in response to the perceived parking problems outside the school during term times. The results are given in Appendix D.



CONCERNS

- ♦ Lack of a children's playground.
- ♦ No provision for youth activities.
- ♦ Parking problems on School Road during term times.
- ♦ Speeding.
- ♦ Vandalism of bus shelter, village hall and some dwellings.
- ♦ The Narrows is regarded as a traffic hazard.
- ♦ No ball games sign on lower green needed.
- ♦ Noticeboard for bottom green beside bus shelter requested.
- ♦ Addition of Cumwhinton on direction sign of junction 42 at M6 requested.

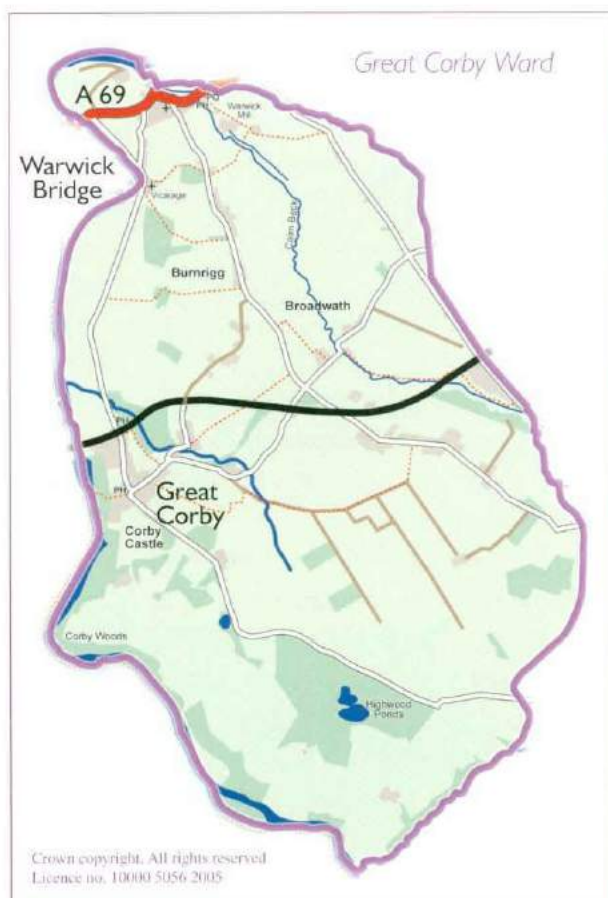
ACTION POINTS

- ♦ Help residents circulate a questionnaire to establish level of support for a children's playground.
- ♦ Encourage development of a youth group based at the village hall. Liaise with District and County Councils to have a youth worker based there.
- ♦ Encourage school to form a community awareness campaign relating to parking problems as part of community pride project.
- ♦ Request speed restriction signs in village.
- ♦ Investigate feasibility of adding Cumwhinton to signs.

8. COMMUNITY AUDITS

GREAT CORBY, BROADWATH AND HEADS NOOK

Great Corby lies on the eastern side of the Eden across the river from Wetheral. The two villages are connected by a footpath attached to the viaduct. The village hall is in the centre of the village with a small reading room adjacent. As there are no parking facilities, cars park on the main road creating some congestion. Access to the hall is directly from the main road (no pavement) and there are currently no disabled facilities. The current lack of a village hall committee has meant that possible grants have been missed.



Adjacent to the hall is the playing field with football and cricket pitches. There is also a children's play area on the site.

There are two public houses in the village: the Queen Inn (currently undergoing refurbishment to re-open as a pub/restaurant) on the top green, and the Corby Bridge Inn next to the railway. The latter has recently been sold and is undergoing extensive renovation.

There is a primary school near the lower green, which has recently opened a pre-school nursery.

Between Great Corby and Heads Nook is the hamlet of Broadwath, which has increased in size over the last decade with both new developments and conversion of farm buildings. The Cairn Beck runs through the centre creating a feature in several gardens.

Heads Nook straddles two parishes (Wetheral and Hayton) with the main road marking the parish boundary. The village hall is in Hayton Parish, but provides a community facility for everyone in the village. It is a well equipped hall with parking and disabled access, and a large playing field and play area adjacent.

Top green at Great Corby



Glencairn Woods (owned by the Woodland Trust) lie within Wetheral Parish. A public footpath allows easy access to the woods for informal recreation.

CONCERNS

- ♦ On-street parking congestion throughout Great Corby.
- ♦ The condition of the footpath attached to the viaduct is slippery under damp conditions, and becoming overgrown.
- ♦ Shabby appearance of viaduct (railings and footpath surface).
- ♦ Infrequent bus service to villages.
- ♦ Residents would like Heads Nook to become a conservation area.
- ♦ Local demand to investigate feasibility of re-opening Heads Nook railway station.

ACTION POINTS

- ♦ Request that Network Rail and County Council overhaul the footpath adjacent to viaduct and lay an anti-slip coating.
- ♦ Liaise with Stagecoach to increase bus service into villages.
- ♦ Encourage community to liaise with police to ease parking congestion.
- ♦ Advise new committee for Great Corby village hall on sources of funding for disabled access.
- ♦ Liaise with Carlisle City Council planning department to enable Heads Nook to become a conservation area.
- ♦ Investigate the viability of re-opening Heads Nook station.

WARWICK BRIDGE AND BURNRIGG

The community centre at Down-a-Gate has a large car park adjacent to the hall and wheelchair access. The centre is surrounded by extensive playing fields and a newly refurbished children's play area. One end of the field has been adapted to form a course for remote controlled model cars.

As the largest hall within the parish, the committee is currently negotiating with the District Council to be designated as a community centre, which will hopefully provide additional funding. Whilst recent flood damage has rendered the hall unusable at the present time, the committee has now received a cash settlement from the insurers and hope to re-open the hall shortly. Carlisle City Council has recently agreed to fund a development/management worker to be based at Down-a-Gate community centre.

There are 3 churches at Warwick Bridge: St Paul's Church (C of E), Our Lady & St Wilfrid's Roman Catholic Church and Warwick Bridge/Corby Hill Methodist Chapel.

A property development company has recently converted Holme Eden Abbey into 'exclusive' apartments and built a number of new houses around the perimeter of the old walled garden.

Warwick Mill, a former textile mill, now houses a number of small businesses.

Burnrigg, south of Warwick Bridge, comprises a number of houses fronting a B road. Speeding traffic is perceived as a persistent problem.

8. COMMUNITY AUDITS

WARWICK BRIDGE & BURNRIGG (cont.)

CONCERNS

- ♦ Narrow footpath next to the A69 is regarded as dangerous.
- ♦ Continuing strong desire for a bypass.
- ♦ Disruptive youths congregating around Down-a-Gate are a concern for residents of Chapel Close and users of the centre.
- ♦ Speed of traffic through Burnrigg.

ACTION POINTS

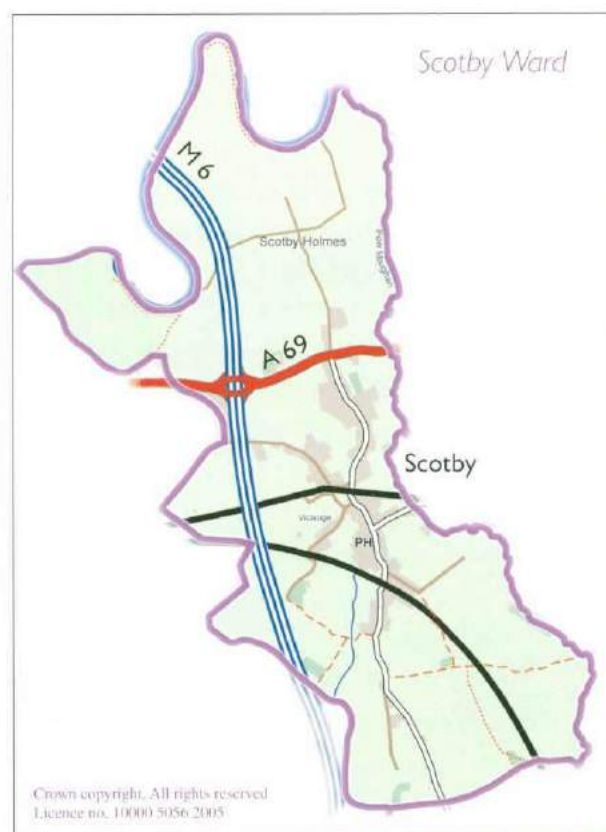
- ♦ Request that footpath along A69 is widened.
- ♦ Support any plans to de-trunk A69 following commencement of the northern by-pass road.
- ♦ Monitor the effectiveness of the youth leader at the community centre in helping with problem of bored and disruptive youths.
- ♦ Request further speed restriction signs in Burnrigg.

Traffic problems, Great Corby



SCOTBY

Scotby village is at the western end of the parish, with its housing stretched out along the main roads through the village. In the centre of the village lie the village hall (top side of the green with some adjacent parking), All Saints Church (Church of England), a shop (open 6 days a week), the Royal Oak public house and the Parish Centre. Another pub – The Waterloo – is located on the A69. The primary school is located on Park Road. The development of individual houses has extended the village southwards along the road to Cumwhinton.





Traffic congestion, Scotby

More recent development has centred on Parkett Hill and on formerly derelict land between Park Road and Scotby Road, now known as The Tannery. There are also new houses at The Limes on Durranhill Road. The Hartley Trust playing field hosts football, cricket, tennis and infant/junior play equipment. The village has a number of flats, bungalows and sheltered housing available for the elderly, but lacks affordable housing for the young and first-time buyers.

CONCERNS

- ◆ Parking outside the school and down Park Road is regarded as a major problem. Other parking concerns are on the main road below the church, opposite the Royal Oak and adjacent to the shop and to White Waters (hairdressers).
- ◆ Park Road is becoming a 'rat run' to avoid congestion problems on Warwick Road in Carlisle.
- ◆ Not enough policing generally, and specifically in relation to the increasing problem of lamping and related vandalism.
- ◆ Lack of youth facilities.
- ◆ Lack of affordable housing for the young and first-time buyers.

ACTION POINTS

- ◆ Encourage more youth groups and a designated youth centre to help combat the problems with boredom. Liaise with District and County Councils to have a youth worker.
- ◆ Give support to a housing needs survey.
- ◆ Request further speed restriction signs in village.
- ◆ Request help from the community police officer in monitoring parking problems on Park Road.

Parish centre, Scotby



8. COMMUNITY AUDITS

WETHERAL

Wetheral is the largest village in the parish, lying on the western side of the river Eden. The village is centred around a large Green. There is a shop at one end and a recently opened tearoom. Located next door is a branch surgery for the Brampton Doctors' Practice, which is open every weekday. Further round the Green are Fantails restaurant and the Killoran Hotel. The Crown Hotel (on Station Road) has an indoor swimming pool, gym and squash facilities that are open to members only. The Wheatsheaf public house is on the corner of School Road on the B6263. Other leisure areas include the sports field with two football pitches, one junior football pitch and a cricket pitch. There is a daily pre-school session and other youth activities in the Old School. There is a bowling green on the corner of Plains Road/B6263 and a children's play area on Turmire Common. Other facilities include Walton's farm shop (open Thursdays

and Fridays) and Alan's Hairdressers. The Village Hall and Parish Rooms are at Primrose Hill. However, problems with parking and accessibility have precipitated plans to build a new community building (incorporating the village hall, council chambers and a playschool) on the playing field.

The footpath and bridleway network is well maintained by ECCP and the National Trust. One of the most popular footpaths is along the river Eden from the ferry landing (a popular tourist attraction used by many non-residents). This takes in views of the viaduct, Corby Castle and its cascade, the medieval salmon coops, St Constantine's Cells and, by way of return, the Priory Gatehouse (now in the ownership of English Heritage).

Holy Trinity & St Constantine's Church (Church of England) near the river houses a famous Nollekins statue. There is also a Methodist Chapel a little way out of the village on Scotby Road. The Parish Council manages the parish cemetery and chapel on Ashgate Lane (through devolved funding on behalf of Carlisle City Council).

Wetheral is the only village in the parish to have an operational railway station with trains going to Carlisle and Newcastle. However only a limited number of trains stop at the station. The Stagecoach bus service runs regularly from Wetheral to Carlisle via Cumwhinton, Scotby or Cotehill. Car users have easy access to the A69 and M6, although the recent closure of the B6263 has created traffic problems on Plains Road.

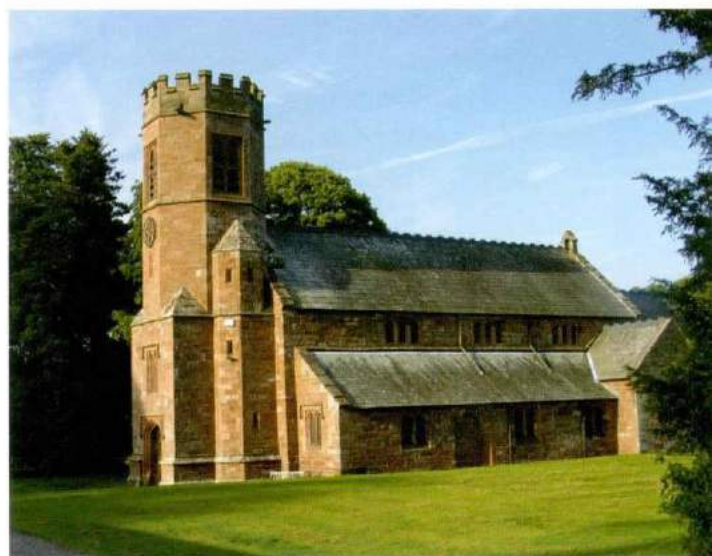


CONCERNS

- ◆ Need for a new community centre with disabled access.
- ◆ Parking problems on Scotby Road and near the Wheatsheaf. There is no off-street parking between the Wheatsheaf and the village green. Cars park down one side, effectively creating a single road width.
- ◆ The closure of the river road (B6263) has created a significant increase in the numbers of cars using Plains Road.
- ◆ Heightened risk of traffic accidents at the junction between Plains Road and the A69 because of an increase in the amount of traffic entering and exiting the main road.
- ◆ Vandalism to the sports field facilities and in the centre of the village.
- ◆ Fly tipping on the Plains Road and the river road.
- ◆ Litter and dog fouling a constant problem.
- ◆ Late night/early morning noise in centre of village (following closing time at pub/restaurant/hotel).
- ◆ Parts of the village are inadequately lit by street lighting.
- ◆ Affordable rental housing development not necessarily available to locals.
- ◆ Little room in village for new development.
- ◆ Too few trains stopping at the station.

ACTION POINTS

- ◆ Reopen B6263 as soon as possible.
- ◆ Support committee in building a new community centre.
- ◆ Lobby for more trains to stop at Wetheral station.
- ◆ Work towards improving street lighting.
- ◆ Develop a scheme with Carlisle District whereby local residents requiring low income housing take priority over those from outside the parish.



Holy Trinity and St. Constantine, Wetheral

9. PRIDE IN THE COMMUNITY

We know from an analysis of the questionnaire that people care about the villages and communities in which they live.

They care about dog fouling, about litter, about graffiti and untidiness, about rubbish dumping, fly-tipping and other anti-social behaviour. They also care about uncut hedges, trees and prickly plants overhanging and obstructing pavements, about unkempt roadside verges and blocked drains, about dilapidated and unmaintained buildings and about scruffy and broken railings and seats. They also care about the speed of traffic through their villages, about potholed roads, about parking on pavements and about the lack of community facilities.

But how much do they care about all these things? Enough to do something about them?

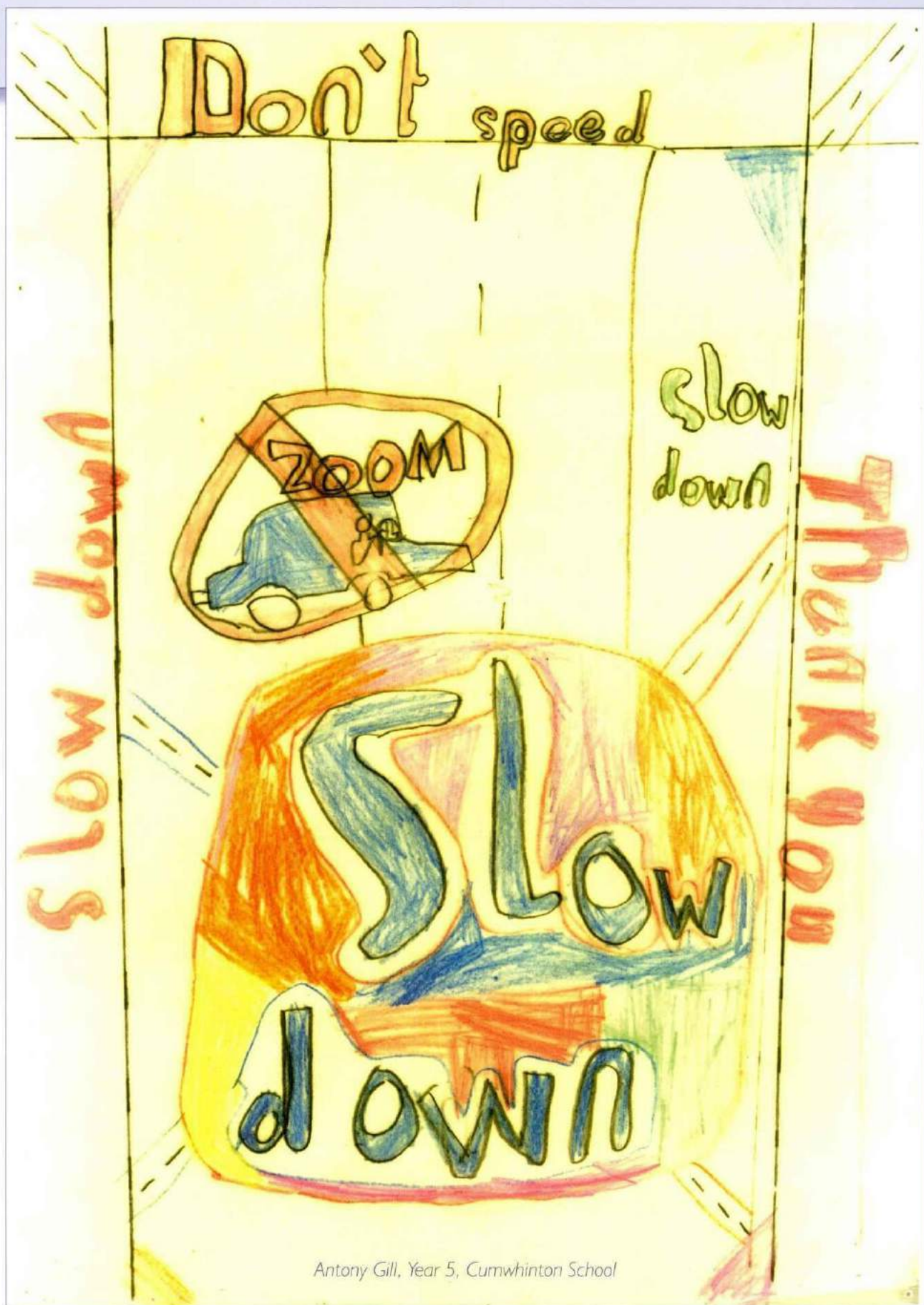
What impression would a stranger get visiting some of our villages and seeing some of these problems at first hand? What would he think of the people who lived in these villages? What would the state of the village say about the people who lived there?

Some people take the view that it is for the local authorities and police service to sort out these issues and no doubt they could all do more, but it would be at a cost to us, the Council Tax payers.

In fact we who live in our local communities can all do more. The local authorities and police service cannot do it all themselves. Individuals and groupings of individuals, banding together, can make a significant and worthwhile contribution to improving the physical environment and appearance of many of our villages as well as enhancing their quality of life.

Coinciding with the publication of the Parish Plan, the Parish Council intends to launch its **Pride in the Community** initiative. It is intended to involve schools, churches, youth organisations, village groups and individuals.

The idea behind this self-help initiative is that local residents will work together more, and do more, with the active support and encouragement of the Parish Council, to address some of the issues set out above. The hope is that in doing so villagers will discover and generate Pride in their Community and that, in due course, the appearance of, and life in, their village will reflect that pride.



Antony Gill, Year 5, Cumwhinton School

10. SUMMARY OF ACTION POINTS

CONCERN	ACTION	WHO TAKES THE INITIATIVE	TIMESCALE AND FUNDING
Transport			
Volume of heavy goods traffic on A69	Lobby for de-trunking of A69	PC to support all initiatives Residents to show support for de-trunking	Ongoing until A69 is de-trunked
Speeding within villages	Request installation of speed restriction signs in all villages that do not have them	PC to approach Carlisle City Council & County Council Highways	Funding would need to be through County Council transport budget
Infrequency of trains stopping at Wetheral	Lobby Northern Trains for more trains to stop at Wetheral station	PC Residents to show support	Ongoing
No dedicated cycle routes	Negotiate for provision of cycleways, request that cycle routes are included in the new local transport plan	PC to approach Cumbria County Council, ATAG and Sustrans	Ongoing
Closure of B6263	Monitor the condition of the B6263 and impact on the immediate area	PC to monitor County Highways new 'computerised system' listing schedule of current projects	New system to be effective November 2005
Services			
Increasing costs of repair & maintenance for village halls, community centres, recreation areas, churches and other places of worship	Assist in accessing grant aid for capital improvements and maintenance costs Support local churches and other places of worship with maintenance of their immediate surroundings	PC to work with VAC, CVS , Rural Development Officer at Carlisle City Council and Neighbourhood Development Officer at County Council to help support local services. PC to continue to support local churches and other places of worship	Ongoing Grants needed
Concerns over vandalism, safety, etc	Liaise with police force to increase or maintain neighbourhood policing initiative	PC to work with local Police	Ongoing

Environment			
Environmental quality of River Eden	Maintain and enhance the quality of the River Eden, its tributaries and bank sides. Attempt to find ways of controlling the spread of Himalayan Balsam. Facilitate the return of rare species	PC to work with Environment Agency, English Nature, Eden Rivers Trust and local landowners	Ongoing
Decline of red squirrels and spread of grey squirrels into area	Liase with Red Alert to try to maintain the red squirrel population and control the spread of grey squirrels	PC to contact Red Alert	Ongoing
Flood risk and management	PC to take an active role in the consultation process for flood risk and management	PC to consult with Environment Agency and District Council	Ongoing
Dog fouling, fly tipping & litter	Promote 'Pride in the Community' within schools & youth groups to reinforce messages regarding dog fouling and litter as well as helping to clear litter. Appeal to dog owners to keep public areas clear of dog dirt.	PC to co-ordinate project with schools & other groups. Residents to help	Ongoing
Desire for more recycling facilities	Ensure that all households are included in the council-led recycling scheme	PC to liase with City Council	2006/07 Funding from Biffa (grants)
Youth			
Lack of youth facilities and activities	Encourage the City & County Councils to provide more professional support in the form of youth workers. Support village halls and community centres in applications for youth-related capital costs. Look at suitable sites for play equipment	Community groups to liase with PC to establish their individual needs PC to involve youths in 'Pride in the Community' project PC to help local committees with grant applications	Financial year 2006/07 Grants will need to be applied for

10. SUMMARY OF ACTION POINTS

CONCERN	ACTION	WHO TAKES THE INITIATIVE	TIMESCALE AND FUNDING
Communications Need for improved communications between the parish council and parishioners	Set up a Parish website with information on the parish and details of the Council's monthly transactions. Display monthly agendas on a noticeboard in each ward. Continue to produce an annual report and future updates on the Parish Plan. Encourage more residents to become involved in their community	Residents to set up website. PC to display monthly agendas and produce annual report PC to promote 'Pride in the Community'	Financial year 2006/07 Ongoing
Community Audit Aglionby Volume of traffic & speed on A69 Access onto A69 High hedges restricting visibility onto A69 Lack of play area/communal meeting place Agricultural traffic passing through village	Lobby for de-trunking of A69 Request CCC extend double white lines between Waterloo pub and Plains Road Request trimming of hedges Produce questionnaire to determine level of support for a community centre and play area. Liaise with owners of agricultural vehicles	PC to support all initiatives Residents to show support for de-trunking PC to approach Capita Community group to liaise with PC PC and local District Council	Ongoing until A69 is de-trunked 2005/06 2006/07 Grants needed Ongoing

Maintenance of The Strand and pond area. Safety issues around the pond.	Spoil heaps to be removed and area to look more managed. Replace seat on green. Install safety measures near edges of pond. Install kerb stones to prevent vehicles parking on the green. Monitor quality and frequency of grass cutting.	PC	2005/06 Funding from parish precept
Warwick-on-Eden Volume of traffic & speed on A69	Lobby for de-trunking of A69	PC to request de-trunking to be included in local transport plan and to support all other initiatives, Residents to show support for de-trunking	Ongoing until A69 is de-trunked
Access onto A69	Request County Council to review access	PC to approach County Council	2006
Speed of traffic within village	Request installation of speed restriction signs	PC to approach Carlisle City Council & County Council Highways	Request that funding for signs is included in County Council transport budget in local transport plan
Parking congestion outside Montessori School	Encourage community to liaise with police	Local residents to liaise with police	2006
Long term future of village hall	Support the village hall committee in their aims to purchase and renovate the hall	Village Hall committee with support from PC	Committee required to purchase village hall by March 2006 in order to obtain funding
Cotehill More bungalows for the elderly New use needed for The Old School (possible youth centre?)	Support housing needs survey Approach owner to discuss viability of change of use. To circulate questionnaire re future of school building	PC to support City Council PC to approach Duke of Devonshire trustees and encourage residents of Cotehill to form a committee to carry out questionnaire in order to assess viable options for future re-use of school	Begin negotiations in 2006
Traffic problems at 'The Narrows'	Request speed restriction signs	PC to request from County Council	Request that funding for signs is included in County Council transport budget

10. SUMMARY OF ACTION POINTS

CONCERN	ACTION	WHO TAKES THE INITIATIVE	TIMESCALE AND FUNDING
Cumwhinton Lack of children's play area	Circulate a questionnaire to establish level of support for a children's play area	Community group to work with the support from PC	
Lack of facilities for youths	Encourage the City & County Council to provide professional support with youth workers.	Community groups to liaise with PC to establish their individual needs. PC to involve youths in 'Pride in the Community' project	2006/07 Grants needed
Parking problems on School Road during term time	PC to ask for police support in monitoring congestion. Encourage school to develop 'Pride in the Community'	PC to liaise with both residents and police	Ongoing
Traffic problems at 'The Narrows'	Request speed restriction signs	PC to request from County Council	Request that funding for signs is included in County Council transport budget
Great Corby, Broadwath & Heads Nook Parking congestion	PC to ask for police support in monitoring congestion. Encourage school to develop 'Pride in the Community'	PC to liaise with both residents and police	Ongoing
Slippery condition of footpath adjacent to viaduct, shabby appearance of viaduct	Liaise with Network Rail and Capita to establish timetable for improving footpath and viaduct	PC to liaise with Network Rail and Capita	2006/07
Infrequent bus service	Liaise with Stagecoach to increase bus service into villages.	PC to liaise with Stagecoach	2006
Desire for conservation area status for Heads Nook	Request conservation status for village	PC to approach City Council planning department and determine level of Residents' support	2006

Desire for Heads Nook railway station to be re-opened	Investigate feasibility of re-opening railway station.	PC Residents to show support	2006
Warwick Bridge and Burnrigg Lack of facilities for youths	Encourage the City & County Council to provide professional support with youth workers.	Community groups to liaise with PC to establish their individual needs. PC to involve youths in 'Pride in the Community' project	2006 Grants needed
Continuing desire for by-pass	Lobby for de-trunking of A69	PC to support all initiatives. Residents to show support for de-trunking	Ongoing until A69 is de-trunked
Narrow pavement on A69	Request that footpath is widened	PC to approach County Council	2006
Speed of traffic within village	Request installation of speed restriction signs	PC to approach Carlisle City Council & County Council Highways	Request that funding for signs is included in County Council transport budget in local transport plan
Scotby Parking congestion	PC to ask for police support in monitoring congestion. Encourage school to develop 'Pride in the Community'	PC to liaise with both residents and police	Ongoing
Vandalism. Lack of policing in general	PC to ask for police to increase visibility	PC to liaise with police	2006
Lack of facilities for youths	Encourage the City & County Councils to provide more professional support with youth workers.	Community groups to liaise with PC to establish their individual needs. PC to involve youths in 'Pride in the Community' project	2006/07 Grants needed
Lack of affordable housing for young and first-time buyers	Housing needs survey	PC to request survey from City Council	2006 Some funding in place

10. SUMMARY OF ACTION POINTS

CONCERN	ACTION	WHO TAKES THE INITIATIVE	TIMESCALE AND FUNDING
Wetheral Inadequate street lighting	PC to request plan of proposed new lights to be submitted to City Council	PC to approach City Council	2005
New community centre needed with disabled access	PC to support community group in building new centre	Community group with support from PC	Grants have been applied for
Parking problems on Scotby Road and near Wheatsheaf	Liaise with neighbourhood policeman	PC and local Police to promote 'Pride in the Community'	Ongoing
Too few trains stopping at Wetheral	Lobby for more trains to stop at Wetheral	PC and Tyne Valley Rail users	Ongoing
Need for affordable housing	PC to request housing needs survey update with Carlisle City Council	PC and City Council	2006-2008



Wetheral Cemetery

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