



**Goodbye and a massive thank you to June Lee, our parish clerk. She will be handing over the role to a new clerk over the summer.**

### **THE NEW ABBEY: FIRST TARGETS REACHED - STILL A LONG WAY TO GO!**

On 1st April Westmorland and Furness Council took over and became the owners of the Abbey. The sale has been paused whilst they review its future.

As part of the Abbey review, the new council would like to listen to your views about what it is like to live in our parish, 'no matter what your stage in life'.

**Complete the on-line questionnaire see leaflet back for links and/or meet representatives from Westmorland & Furness at the Pavilion on Thursday 24 July 4.00 - 7.00 pm.**

The latest planning application to convert the Abbey into offices was rejected. The reasons given were to do with inadequate parking, and the Abbey is still needed. All those letters made a difference!

[www.thenewabbeystaveley.org](http://www.thenewabbeystaveley.org)

**Get in touch through the website contacts page.**



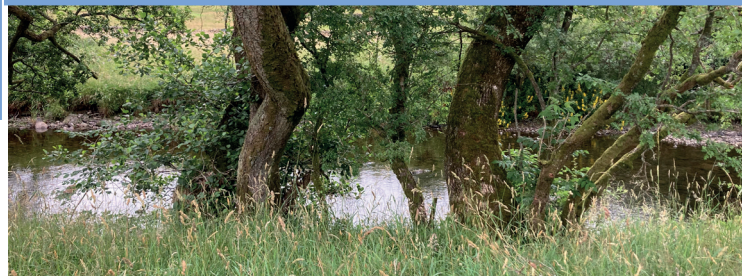
## **SEWAGE MATTERS**

It's official! Staveley Waste Water Treatment Works (WwTW) is inadequate. This was demonstrated when it was recently rated **FOURTH WORST** by the Environment Agency (EA) for river discharges across the whole of the north-west – over 300 separate times in 2022.

After continued local lobbying, United Utilities (UU) has confirmed publicly that Staveley will receive new investment in the next funding period starting in 2025. Details are now being sought.

Meanwhile investigation work continues around the village to determine where excess run-off water is entering the sewerage system to enable work to be done to reduce both river and street discharges.

**Residents should report all sewage incidents by phoning both these hotlines United Utilities on 0345 672 3723) and Environment Agency on 0800 80 70 60**



To find out more about anything in this newsletter and to volunteer go to : [www.staveleywithingspc.co.uk/keeping-in-touch](http://www.staveleywithingspc.co.uk/keeping-in-touch)



To find out more about What's On in Staveley go to <https://thesva.org/whats-on>

STAVELEY WITH INGS

# COMMUNITY NEWS

SUMMER 2023



Welcome to the summer edition of Community News! It gives you a brief outline of some of the things that are going on in Staveley and Ings. This summer edition has a focus on how we can all help update the Community Plan.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

Staveley and Ings is often described as a vibrant and lively community. It's only like that because of our volunteers. Here are a few examples of what is needed:

**The parish council** is the 'formal' voice of the parish, making recommendations about planning applications and things that matter to residents. New councillors are needed.

**FareShare** need someone with a van or large car to pick up food from Witherslack. **The playgroups in Staveley and Ings** need volunteers to keep going.

**Young people are needed** to help shape facilities for young people in the village **Staveley Community Trust** need help with their campaign to save The Abbey.

**For more examples go to**

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# STAVELEY WITH INGS COMMUNITY PLAN

The Community Plan actions are being reviewed and updated in the light of things we have achieved together and to reflect changes to our community and the wider environment. Here are some of the highlights from the draft updated plan.

**1. Communication - providing useful information to those who live, visit and work in Staveley with Ings.**

**2. Keeping what we value and developing what we all need through the planning process**

Maintaining a mixed, balanced community. Completing a directory of significant local assets in the parish, both in the built and landscape environment.



**3. Helping residents thrive by:**

Supporting members of our community through difficult times.

Ensuring that no one has to leave our community for the social care they need - The New Abbey!

Exploring the role of visitors in the community - the benefits and the challenges.

Keeping our vital local services and facilities.

Engaging younger people to shape social opportunities for them in the community.

## A VISION FROM THE COMMUNITY PLAN

A flourishing mixed and balanced community where everyone is valued, cared for and listened to and can take an active role.

A community that actively addresses the climate emergency, strengthens biodiversity and makes our built environment more resilient so that our locality is protected now and for the future.

**4. Getting around**

Making sure our roads and footpaths are safe and accessible for all.

Extending the E-bike project

Monitoring the impact of the parking restrictions and taking action if needed.



**5. Flooding and sewerage**

Working with others to keep our rivers and streets clean and our communities safe from flooding and other emergencies.



**6. Welcoming, attractive and nature friendly villages**

Creating lovely buildings and spaces to meet up, chat and play.

Improvements to The Institute and Pavilion.

**7. Climate change and biodiversity**

Working together to respond to the climate emergency and encourage biodiversity.



**8. Growing and distributing local produce**

## WHAT TO DO NOW

The community plan group would like to hear your views. Using the link on the back of this leaflet.

Read the full updated action plan, click on the link and tell us what you think.

Or pick up a copy of the plan at the Pharmacy and fill out the paper questionnaire.

Or drop-in to the institute on Thursday 27 July between 2pm and 4pm.

