

**Appleby Fair Multi-Agency Strategic Co-ordinating Group**  
**24 February 2025 at 1.00pm**  
**Microsoft Teams**

## **Minutes**

**Attendance:** Steph Cordon, Westmorland & Furness Council (Chair);  
Daniel StQuintin, Cumbria Constabulary;  
Emma Brass, Westmorland & Furness Council;  
Nick Wright, Westmorland & Furness Council;  
Richard Scoffham, Westmorland & Furness Council;  
Jessica Sarjeant, Westmorland & Furness Council;  
Laura McLellan, Westmorland & Furness Council;  
Neil Buck, Westmorland & Furness Council;  
Cllr Adrian Waite Westmorland & Furness Council;  
Cllr Lorna Baker, Westmorland & Furness Council;  
Cllr Graham Simpkins, Westmorland & Furness Council;  
Rob Melloy, RSPCA;  
Leanne Plumtree, RSPCA;  
Neil Aitken, Cumbria Fire and Rescue Service;  
Mo Bibby, Cumbria Constabulary;  
Neil Graham, Cumbria Constabulary;  
Katie Jones, Cumbria Constabulary;  
Bill Lloyd, Gypsy & Traveller Representative;  
Richard Batham, National Highways;  
Martina Rodrigues, National Highways;  
Alec Swatton, Westmorland & Furness Council;

### **1. Apologies**

Kellie Bradburn-Sims, Westmorland and Furness Council;  
Sue Warner, Westmorland & Furness Council;  
John Everingham, Westmorland & Furness Council;  
Rebecca Anderson, North Cumbria Integrated Care;  
Jan Wharton, North Cumbria Integrated Care;  
Eleanor Chiverton, Environment Agency;  
Caroline Stuart, North West Ambulance Service;  
Nick Griggs, North West Ambulance Service;  
Pete Kavanagh, Cumbria Fire and Rescue;  
Billy Welch, Gypsy & Traveller Representative;  
Sue Gilbertson, Appleby Town Council.

### **2. Minutes of MASCG held on 27 January 2025**

These were agreed as a true record of proceedings of the MASCG meeting held on 27 January 2025.

### **3. 2024 Draft Learning Lessons and Action Plan Report**

Steph Cordon presented an overview of the revised draft 2024 Learning Lessons Report. MASCG subsequently agreed this to be the final Learning Lessons Report, which would be published on MASCG's website, alongside the Strategic Advice on Appleby Horse Fair Report by ORS Consultants.

### **4. Operational Working Group Update**

Nick Wright provided an update from the Operational Working Group, which last met on the 10 February 2025. The OWG continued to remain on track with its key deliverables and there were no significant items of note.

### **5. Agency Updates**

Steph Cordon asked for an update from the agencies represented on MASCG. There were the following significant updates:

**Cumbria Police** – An update was provided which pertained to operational and planning matters related to the Fair.

**RSPCA** – An update was provided which related to operational and planning matters related to Appleby Fair. The RSPCA requested a specific slot on the agenda for the next MASCG meeting, in order to discuss partner agencies participation during the Fair.

There was no further significant updates from any other organisation represented on MASCG.

### **6. Communications and Engagement Update**

There was no significant communications and engagement update, other than work considered to be business as usual.

### **7. Any Other Business**

There was no further significant business discussed.

### **8. Date and Time of Next Meeting – Monday 24 March 2025 (1.00pm – 3.00pm) – Voreda House, Penrith**