

**MINUTES OF THE 1014th WHEELTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 1st APRIL 2019
AT WHEELTON VILLAGE HALL, WEST VIEW, WHEELTON**

PRESENT: Councillors Berry, Dickenson, Harper, Hayes and Wheale. Borough Councillor Mrs M France.

Clerk: Parish Clerk Joanne Carr.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor Scambler.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING 4 MARCH 2019

103/04/19

The minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman on behalf of the Parish Council.

POLICE REPORT

There was no report from the Police.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Councillor Berry reported that the drain outside 24 Bett Lane was blocked. The Clerk agreed to report it to the County Council.

The Clerk advised that she had received a letter from a resident advising that there had been two accidents at the top of Victoria Street in the last two weeks and that the traffic was still driving through the village far too fast. This item would be discussed in the following part of the agenda.

ENHANCING WHEELTON

a) Traffic Matters

The Clerk reported that Lancashire County Council had responded to the Parish Council's request for a 20 mile per hour limit in the centre of Wheelton with the following comments:

- They were not aware of any road safety concerns along Victoria Street

because the Police had recorded no incidents along its length with the last 5 years.

- The bus service operators have no reported that they are experiencing difficulties.
- Recent visit reveal that traffic restrictions appears to be being adhered to.
- The County Council will be targeting locations were casualties and speeds are higher.

Councillors discussed the reply along with the resident's letter regarding traffic.

104/04/19

It was RESOLVED that the Clerk should write to County Councillor Iddon and County Councillor Snowdon to re-iterate the Parish Councils concerns regarding traffic in the Victoria Street / A674 vicinity.

b) Recreation Area Enhancement

Councillors reported that a dog had been being exercised on the recreation grounds again. Councillor Harper confirmed that he had the signs to install on the fences but had not had time to do that yet.

c) War Memorial

Councillor Dickenson reported that he had spoken to the Grounds Maintenance Contract regarding the replacement trees for the War Memorial. It had been suggested that the Kenyon Lane side not have any large trees planted because it was nice to be able to see the clock face.

Councillors discussed types of trees; flowering, trees to improve air quality, speed of growing and it was agreed not to plan laburnum trees again.

105/04/19

It was RESOVLED that the Clerk should obtain a tree survey on the remaining trees.

d) Defibrillator

It was noted that a Defibrillator box had been installed outside the Golden Lion, but the defibrillator had not been installed yet.

PLANNING MATTERS

19/00179/AGR Agricultural determination for the erection an articulate livestock and storage building including for the calving of cattle.

The Parish Council noted that this application had been approved due to it being permitted agricultural development.

19/00210/FULHH Single storey rear/side extension, pitched roof to existing garage and partial conversion of existing garage to habitable accommodation.

106/04/19

The Parish Council RESOLVED to make no objections to this application.

19/00166/FUL Widening of existing dropped kerb.

107/04/19

The Parish Council RESOLVED to make the following observations:

- The Parish Council are concerned about the number of applications for dropped curbs in this area.
- Local knowledge shows that this is an extremely busy road which is set to become even busier with the development at Botany Bay, on a bend of the road and opposite a shop with very limited parking.
- Reversing on or off the parking space could be extremely dangerous.

19/00103/FUL Refurbishment to artisan food shop and deli with takeaway. Existing residential space upstairs to be converted to flat. Residential address next door to be expanded into and changed to retail.

108/04/19

The Parish Council RESOLVED that whilst they wanted to support local businesses they are concerned that local knowledge shows that this is an extremely busy road which is set to become even busier with the development at Botany Bay, on a bend of the road, opposite a number of applications for dropped curbs in the area and with parking in the layby near to the shop being reduced by the approval of a number of houses behind it.

19/00237/FUL Section 73 application to remove Condition 3 (affordable housing) attached to planning permission 16/00575/OUT. (Outline application for the erection of 8 dwellings (with all matters reserved save or access and layout)

109/04/19

The Parish Council RESOLVED to make no comment on this application.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS

110/04/19

All accounts were authorised for payment:

Cheques

Mrs J Carr – March Salary - £343.24

Inland Revenue – March Deductions - £85.80

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Easy Websites – Website hosting and support April - £27.60

DEFIBRILLATOR – WHEELTON VILLAGE HALL

The Clerk advised that she the defibrillator had still to be registered by the Air Ambulance so had been unable to register the weekly checks. This should be done the following month so would be set up as soon as possible. A rota for checking would be produced once this had been received.

111/04/19 It was RESOLVED that the rota for checking the Defibrillator would be deferred until the next Parish Council meeting once the details had been received regarding the CPAD number.

CHORLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL'S COMMUNITY FUNDING EVENING.

The Parish Council advised that there was no-one able to attend the Community Funding Evening on 14 May 2019.

CHORLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL'S DIGITAL SKILLS COURSES.

The Clerk advised that Chorley Borough Council were still offering to run Digital Skills Courses in the Village. Councillors noted that the Village Hall now had broadband available.

112/04/19 The Parish Council RESOLVED to suggest that Chorley Borough Council could run a Digital Skills Course in the Village Hall.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- Iron Man 2019. The route has changed and does not come through Wheelton.
- The Family Court for Cumbria and Lancashire are looking to recruit Justices for a five-year term.
- Chorley Liaison meeting dates – Wednesday 17 July 2019.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 13 May 2019 at 8.00pm.
Annual Parish Meeting – Monday 13 May 2019 at 7.45pm.

The meeting closed at 9.20pm.

Minutes approved and accepted as correct

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Chairman

Dated