

**MINUTES OF THE 1047<sup>th</sup> WHEELTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD ON MONDAY 5 DECEMBER 2022  
AT WHEELTON VILLAGE HALL, WEST VIEW, WHEELTON**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Harper, Mrs Berry, Dickenson, Hayes and Wheale.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mrs J Carr (Parish Clerk)

The Clerk thanked Councillor Dickenson for taking the minutes of the last meeting while she was off with Covid and unable to attend the meeting.

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs M France, Scambler and LCC CC Cullens.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Harper and Wheale declared a non-pecuniary interest in 57/12/22 Planning application as the owner is known to them and Councillor Wheale in 58/12/22 cheque to Mrs Wheale as the payee is known to him.

**MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING 7 NOVEMBER 2022**

**56/12/22** The minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman on behalf of the Parish Council.

**POLICE REPORT**

The Clerk reported that there was no report from the Police this month.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Councillors advised that the Red Lion had been causing a nuisance regarding noise again. The Clerk was requested to write to the Enforcement Officer, Nathan Howson, to remind the Landlord that their licence stops at 11pm with half an hour for drinking up and to request that this be enforced.

**ENHANCING WHEELTON**

**a) Traffic Matters**

Councillors noted that the repairs to the finger post at the Memorial Gardens were still ongoing. Councillors Harper and Hayes were requested to report back when

work had been completed.

### **b) Recreation Area Enhancement**

The Clerk had advised that the work on the Recreation Ground Play Equipment had started today and should be completed before Christmas.

### **c) War Memorial**

The war memorial re-pointing would be done in the spring when the weather had improved.

## **PLANNING MATTERS**

**57/12/22** The Parish Council considered the following planning applications and RESOLVED to make the following observations:

22/01176/FUL Chandlers, Harbour Lane, Wheelton  
Erection of a detached agricultural building to house livestock

The Parish Council RESOLVED to make no objection to this application but request that Chorley Council advises why the area of land labelled Site 2 was included on the application.

Councillor Dickenson reported that work had started on the Botany Bay area, but no permission had been granted yet. It was RESOLVED to investigate further.

## **ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS**

**58/12/22** All accounts were authorised for payment:

Mrs J Carr – Salary December – £645.68  
Inland Revenue – Salary Deductions December - £154.00  
Mrs J Carr – replacement for Urban Fencing Ltd – Repairs to the Gates - £474.00  
CPRE – Annual Membership - £36.00  
Mrs Wheale – New Christmas Lights - £34.50  
Mrs J Carr – Stationery - £224.76  
Heapey and Wheelton Village Hall – Grant Payment - £700.00

DD Easy Websites – Web Hosting and Support December – £27.60  
E-On – War Memorial Electricity - £55.88

## **FINANCIAL REPORTS**

**59/12/22** The Parish Council RESOLVED to accept the Bank Reconciliation, Receipts and Payments and Budget to Spend reports to December 2022.

## **GRANT PAYMENTS**

Councillors discussed the grant payments of £700 to the Heapey and Wheelton Village Hall and £200 to the War Memorial Trust.

- 60/12/22** Councillors RESOLVED that the Wheelton and Heapey Village Hall grant would be paid this month. Considering a request from the War Memorial Trust Treasure, it was RESOLVED that the War Memorial Trust grant would be held on to and amounts paid on their behalf for the current year.

## **PRECEPT 2022/23**

- 61/12/22** The Parish Council RESOLVED to defer this item to the next meeting of the Parish Council.

## **HEDGEHOGS R US HIGHWAY PROJECT**

- 62/12/22** The Parish Council RESOLVED to note the information received regarding the Hedgehogs R Us Highway Project but, due to there being no budget for other grants, not to make a Grant to them.

## **CAROLS AROUND THE TREE**

The Clerk reported that the PA System, Narrator, Choir and Refreshment providers had all confirmed their attendance.

- 63/12/22** The Parish Council RESOLVED that:
- Councillor Harper would take the lead for the event
  - Councillor Dickenson would produce a crib sheet for the running of the event.

The Clerk left the meeting for the next item.

## **CLERKS PERFORMANCE REVIEW**

- 64/12/22** On the Clerks return, she was informed that she had had a successful performance review and was doing very well ensuring that the Council was running lawfully and efficiently.

## **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

- Details from Holcombe Hunt regarding the Christmas/New Year hunts
- Rivington and Brinscall Local Advisor Group meeting – 7 December 2022

## **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday 9 January 2023 at 8.00pm.

Minutes approved and accepted as correct

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Chairman

Dated .....