MINUTES OF THE 1022nd WHEELTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 3 FEBRUARY 2020 AT WHEELTON VILLAGE HALL, WEST VIEW, WHEELTON

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

Clerk: Parish Clerk Joanne Carr.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillor Harper,

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING 6 JANUARY 2020

191/02/20 The minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman on behalf of the Parish Council.

Councillors reported that the consultation support meeting had gone very well. There had been a good mixture of residents attending from Wheelton, Heapey and Withnell. Councillors felt that it had been well worth doing. It was RESOLVED that Councillor **192/02/20** Dickenson should complete the Parish Council's response on the consultation.

The Clerk confirmed that a letter of thanks had been sent to Gary Fox to thank him for the Christmas Tree in the Memorial Gardens.

The Clerk advised that the damage to the finger post by the memorial garden had been reported again and scheduled for repair although a time scale was not known.

The Clerk reported that she had received an email advising that the Chorley Council had advised that the drainage report regarding the works in Winns Lane had not been undertaken yet due to the contractor.

190/01/20 The Clerk also advised that the nomination to the Buckingham Palace Garden Party had been successful. Councillors RESOLVED that travel expenses 193/02/20 should be offered to Councillor Berry.

Borough Councillor Mrs M France advised that she had reported the prefab building on Buckholes Lane had been reported but that she had received no response yet.

POLICE REPORT

There was no report from the Police.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Councillor Wheale reported that he had received an informal complaint regarding the way the British Legion Standard Bearer had been treated at the Remembrance Parade and that one of the Councillors was abusive towards her. Councillors discussed the matter noting that nothing had been witnessed by any other Councillor and that no communication had been received by the Clerk either before the event regarding a change to where the Standard Bearer should stand or after regarding the complaint. Councillors noted that this was a Parish Council event and had been since before 1981. Following discussion, it was agreed that the Chairman of Wheelton British Legion should be invited to a Parish Council meeting to discuss the Parish Council's remembrance service.

Councillor Berry reported that there was a light outside No 22 Bett Lane that was not working and requested that the Clerk report it to the Authority.

ENHANCING WHEELTON

a) Traffic Matters

Councillor Dickenson reported that County Councillor Iddon had confirmed that the County Council advised that there had not been enough accidents in Wheelton to install 20 mile an hour speed limits through the village. Councillor Hayes agreed to investigate further.

b) Recreation Area Enhancement

It was RESOLVED that Councillor Dickenson should request that replacement play equipment be included on the Neighbourhood Area Committee list.

c) War Memorial

Councillor Dickenson reported that he was investigating replacement trees for the War Memorial Gardens. He had been advised that replacements would not be available until March 2020 and would continue to liaise with the Supplier.

Councillors noted that the Cypress tree which had been identified as requiring work on the Tree Survey was encroaching further on the neighbouring property. Following discussion, Councillors RESOLVED that the Clerk should get the work identified on the **195/02/20** Tree Survey undertaken and include removing the Cypress Tree.

PLANNING MATTERS

18/00845/FUL – Stables 50m South of Brown House Farm, Brown house Lane, Higher

Wheelton

Parking a horse trailer under cover on stables hard standing area, out of sight blending in with surrounding area, for use in case of emergencies.

196/02/20 It was RESOLVED to object to this application and make the following comments:

- the application is un-necessary and could subsequently be used to apply for a change of use to residential property
- the lane is not suitable for additional traffic as it is already problematic

20/00017/FUL – Sitchcroft Farm, Brown house Lane, Higher Wheelton Full Planning application for the demolition of existing buildings and the erection of a single dwelling.

It was RESOLVED to object to this application because the lane is not suitable for additional traffic as it is already problematic

20/00029/FUL – Flash Green Acre Jenny Lane Higher Wheelton Erection of detached garage (following demolition of existing detached outbuilding).

198/02/20 It was RESOLVED to make no objection to this application.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS

199/02/20 All accounts were authorised for payment:

Mrs J Carr – Salary – February - £350.02 Inland Revue – Salary Deductions – February - £87.60 Mrs J Carr – Stationery/Postage - £109.31

DD Easy Websites – Web Hosting and Support February £27.60

ACCOUNTS

200/02/20 Councillors RESOLVED to accept the Bank Reconciliation, Receipts and Payments and Income and Expenditure reports to December 2019 as circulated.

PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY

The Clerk advised that there had been no applications received for the Parish Council vacancy.

Borough Councillor Mrs M France advised that she would be willing to fill the place if no further interest was received.

201/02/20 Councillors RESOLED to discuss the vacancy at the next meeting.

PARISH AND TOWN COUNCIL CONFERENCE

202/02/20 Councillors RESOLVED to note the information circulated regarding the Parish and Town Council Conference but not to attend.

TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE

203/02/20 Councillors RESOLVED to note the information circulated regarding the temporary road closure on Harbour Lane, Wheelton between 17/02/2020 and 21/02/2020.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

The following items were noted for information:

- Chorley Borough Council Planning in Practice session Monday 10 February 2020 at 5.45pm at Chorley Town Hall.
- Chorley Neighborhood Area Meeting Tuesday 11 February 2020 at 5.00pm
- County Councilor K Snape advised on timber extraction from Healey Nab and restoration work.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 2 March 2020 at 8.00pm.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.

Minutes approved and accepted as correct

Chairman

Dated