

**MINUTES OF THE 1032nd WHEELTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 5 JULY 2021
AT WHEELTON VILLAGE HALL, WEST VIEW, WHEELTON**

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

In attendance: Borough Councillor Ms Whiffin.

Clerk: Parish Clerk Joanne Carr.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies of absence were received from Councillor Mrs France and County Councillor Cullens.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of Interest.

290/07/21 MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING 7 JUNE 2021

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 PCSO Clarke had not sent in a report this month.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

The Clerk was requested to report the following matters to the County Council/Borough Council:

- There was a water leak on Harbour Lane.

Mr Dickenson reported that there had been a disturbance at the Red Lion in the car park at 12.40am. Mr Dickenson advised that he had visited the premises the following day as a member of the public and spoke to the Duty Manager to remind them of their licencing regulations.

Councillor Hayes reported that there were a number of new 20 mile an hour limits being introduced around the County and questioned why Wheelton had been refused this measure by the County Council due to the County Council claiming that there were no speeding issues in the village. Councillor Dickenson agreed to raise the matter at the next Liaison Meeting.

ENHANCING WHEELTON

a) Traffic Matters

- i) There was no further information regarding the new finger post outside the memorial gardens.

Borough Councillor Whiffen joined the meeting.

The Clerk advised that Councillor Mrs M France had emailed LCC Highways regarding a recent accident on Bett Lane. The County Council had responded that they were relieved to hear that no-one had been injured but as the driver was over the drink drive limit and on their phone at the time, the accident was viewed as a one-off incident and therefore the area would not be considered for any speed calming measures. Councillors were disappointed at the County Council's response.

b) Recreation Area Enhancement

Litter Collection

The Clerk advised that the Chorley Council Officer had not been able to attend the meeting to explain to them why the contract for bin emptying was given to a Contractor who could not fulfil the current requirements. The Clerk reported that she had been offered bin liners and keys to enable her to empty the bins and then carry the bags and place them next to the bin outside the memorial grounds for collection. Councillors discussed the matter and Councillor Hayes advised that Victoria Terrace does not have wheely bins but had their bin bags collected by a smaller van and questioned whether this van could be used to empty the bins on the Recreation Ground.

291/07/21 The Parish Council RESOLVED that the Clerk should write to Chorley Council and advise that:

- The Parish Council did not employ a lengthsman
- The Clerk was not qualified on H&S grounds to empty the bins and carry the bags to another bin to be collected.
- The Parish Council could not understand why the Brough Council would award a contract to a company who could not provide the current service.
- The Borough Council used a smaller van to collect bin bags from Victoria Terrace. Could the bins on the recreation ground not be emptied by the same personnel?

The Clerk was also requested to copy the Borough Councillors into the email.

Councillor Berry reported that a resident had complained about the smell from the

bin next to the bench and noticeboard on the A674. The Clerk was requested to question whether the emptying schedule had changed and advise of the smell from the bin.

c) War Memorial

There were no issues with the War Memorial to report.

PLANNING MATTERS

292/07/21 The Parish Council considered the following planning applications and RESOLVED to make the following observations:

21/00688/FUL Whins Green Kitchen, Whins Lane, Wheelton.

Section 73 application to vary condition 4 (hours of operation) attached to planning permission 19/01030/FUL (Change of use from holistic spa to holistic spa and café) to allow longer opening hours on Fridays and Saturdays to between 9:00 and 23:00 hours).

The Parish Council RESOLVED to advise that Councillors were concerned about the extra hours, increased traffic and disruption to neighbours that this could bring but recognise that this is not a planning issue so did not think that they would have any grounds to object.

21/00374/FULHH 417 Blackburn Road, Higher Wheelton
Rear extension with balcony.

The Parish Council RESOLVED to advise that Councillors were concerned about the effect on neighbouring property and the lack of privacy this would mean.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS

293/07/21 All accounts were authorised for payment:

Mrs J Carr – Salary July – £359.66

Mrs J Carr - Inland Revenue – Salary Deductions July - £90.00

Mrs J Carr – Computer Software & Newsletter - £271.74

S. Berry – Grounds Maintenance - £920.00

Mrs J Carr – Salary August – £359.66

Mrs J Carr - Inland Revenue – Salary Deductions August - £90.00

DD Easy Websites – Web Hosting and Support July – £27.60

DD IFO – Data Protection Fee - £35.00

DD Easy Websites – Web Hosting and Support August – £27.60

ACCOUNTS

Councillors RESOLVED to accept the Bank Reconciliation, Receipts and Payments and Budget to Spend reports to June 2021 as circulated.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

Newsletters were circulated for distribution.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 6 September 2021 at 8.00pm.

The meeting closed at 9.25pm.

Minutes approved and accepted as correct

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Chairman

Dated