

**MINUTES OF THE 1031st WHEELTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 7 JUNE 2021
AT WHEELTON VILLAGE HALL, WEST VIEW, WHEELTON**

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

In attendance: Borough Councillor Ms Whiffin, County Councillor Cullens and two members of the Public.

Clerk: Parish Clerk Joanne Carr.

County Councillor Cullens was welcomed to his first meeting as County Councillor for Wheelton.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies of absence.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of Interest.

283/06/21 MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING 10 MAY 2021

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

The Clerk thanked Councillor Dickenson for forwarding the responses to the two NALC Consultations from the last meeting.

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 blocked drainage grid on Bett Lane/Buckholes
- There was a blocked drainage grid on Meadow Street by the gate to the playarea

Councillor Berry advised that the Post Office in the Village Hall was currently only

open from 12noon to 2pm.

Councillors noted the anonymous letter regarding Bridge Street and noted that because it was anonymous there was no response required. Councillor Mrs France advised that the road was unadopted according to the County Council.

Councillor Harper left the meeting and Councillor Mrs Berry took over the chair.

ENHANCING WHEELTON

a) Traffic Matters

- i) There was no further information regarding the new finger post outside the memorial gardens.
- ii) Anti-Social Behaviour – Victoria Street. Councillor Mrs M France advised that she had enquired but had been advised that there was no mobile CCTV that could be used in the area. There had been no further reports of damage.

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The Clerk was requested to respond to the Gentleman and explain that he should report any instances of anti-social behaviour to the Police but that they had agreed to increase their patrols to hopefully discourage any further instances or damage.

b) Recreation Area Enhancement

Councillors noted the attached email from Chorley Council advising that due to a change in contractors the Council was no longer able to empty the bins on the Recreation Grounds. Councillors noted that the bin lorry was still able to access both Meadow Street and West View and that the Farm at the top of West View was able to drive their tractor and trailer up past the bins.

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Councillors requested that the Clerk invite the Chorley Council Officer to the next meeting to explain to them why the contract was given to a Contractor who could not fulfil the current requirements.

c) War Memorial

There were no issues with the War Memorial to report.

PLANNING MATTERS

286/06/21

The Parish Council considered the following planning applications and RESOLVED to make the following observations:

20/00529/AGR Wheelton Lodge Farm, Harbour Lane, Wheelton.
Agricultural determination for the erection of an agricultural building for the

storage of tractors and produce from fields.

The Parish Council RESOLVED to make no objections to this application as the application was marked - prior approval was not required.

21/00494/FULHH Brown House Farm House, Brown House Lane, Higher Wheelton

Detached outbuilding to accommodate a home office and gymnasium.

The Parish Council RESOLVED to make no objections to this application

21/00567/PDE 406 Blackburn Road, Higher Wheelton

Notification of a proposed single storey rear extension measuring 4.5m in depth, with eaves height of 2.92m and a maximum height of 2.97m.

The Parish Council RESOLVED to make no objections to this application as it was permitted development.

21/00699/NOT Telecommunications Mast, Harbour Lane, Wheelton

Notification of intention to upgrade existing telecommunications equipment including the removal and replacement of 3 No. antennas, installation of 1 No. 3m support pole, removal and replacement of cabinet and ancillary equipment.

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

PRESTON & CHORLEY HOUSING QUESTIONNAIRE

Councillors noted the previously circulated Preston and Chorley housing need and demand study questionnaire and advised that they had responded individually to it.

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DRAFT PLANS FROM SMITH AND LOVE PLANNING CONSULTANTS

The Clerk highlighted the letter received from Smith and Love Planning Consultants regarding the proposed housing development at Blackburn Road, Wheelton and advised that she had received an email from a resident which was read out.

Councillors discussed whether a public meeting should be held but noted that with the current Covid restrictions and the expected public feelings this would be difficult.

Councillors noted that:

- No formal planning application had been put to Chorley Council and the land was actually in Heapey Parish.
- the land was no longer in green belt because they lost that status when they became a settlement of Heapey.
- The plan includes no infrastructure, no alleviation of traffic impact and no

additional facilities.

Councillors discussed residents' opposition and the locality of the area.

288/06/21 The Parish Council RESOVED that the Clerk should ask Heapey Parish Council whether they would arrange a meeting for Heapey, Wheelton and Withnell Parish Councillors to work together on the proposed plan.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS

289/06/21 All accounts were authorised for payment:

Mrs J Carr – Salary June – £359.66

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

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

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

Councilors were advised that the planning application for Prospect House was going to the Chorley Council planning meeting on 25 June 2021.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 5 July 2021 at 8.00pm.

The meeting closed at 9.20pm.

Minutes approved and accepted as correct

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Chairman

Dated