

**MINUTES OF THE 1005th WHEELTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY JUNE 2018
AT WHEELTON VILLAGE HALL, WEST VIEW, WHEELTON**

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

Clerk: Parish Clerk Joanne Carr.

DECLARATIONS OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE.

Councillors Dickenson, Berry, Fowler, Hayes, Scambler and Wheale made their declarations of acceptance of office and signed their Register of Interest.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

15/06/18 Following a Discussion on succession, Councillor Harper was elected Chairman for the 2018-19 Year.

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

16/06/18 Following a Discussion, Councillor Berry was elected Vice-Chairman for the 2018-19 Year.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2018/2019

17/06/18 Following a Discussion, the representatives were agreed as follows: -
Chorley Liaison Meetings – Councillor T Dickenson
LAPTC Chorley Area Committee representatives – Councillor R Wheale (Substitutes – Councillors N Hayes and K Berry)
Chorley Council Easter parishes Neighbourhood Area Meeting – Councillor M Harper
Chorley Council Equality Forum - Vacancy
Heapey and Wheelton Village Hall Committee representative – Councillor K Berry
Heapey and Wheelton War Memorial Trustee Representative - Councillor R Wheale
Heapey and Wheelton War Memorial Trustees – Mr B Mason, Mrs D Gorton, Mr T Dickenson and Mr D Berry
Heapey and Wheelton Charity Trust Trustees Representative - Councillors R Wheale and T Dickenson
Tree Warden – Councillor J Fowler assisted with Parish Clerk
Press Officer - Councillors T Dickenson. Any emergency press release should be a bland statement produced in consultation with Councillors.
Communications (Newsletter) Co-ordinator – Parish Clerk – assisted by Councillors M Harper and J Fowler
Wheelton Website Co-ordinator – Parish Clerk
Rivington and Brinscall Local Advisory Group – Councillors N Hayes and M Harper.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillor Hayes.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors Berry and Scambler declared a non-pecuniary interest in 23/06/18 chq 001144 as the payee is a relative.

MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING 14 MAY 2018

18/06/18

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

POLICE REPORT

Councillor Dickenson reported that there was still no response from the police regarding the request for assistance at the Remembrance Service.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

The Clerk reported that Councillor Dickenson had advised that there was a hole in the walkway between Blackburn Road and Winn's Lane. This had been reported to the out of hours line on Saturday. Councillors reported that the hole was growing and had not been made safe. The Clerk was requested to report the hole again.

ENHANCING WHEELTON

a) Traffic Matters

Borough Councillor Mrs France reported that the out of hours enforcement had come to the end of the contract. Councillors AGREED to monitor the situation.

b) Recreation Area Enhancement

i) Meadow Street Fencing

The Clerk reported that Chorley Council were chasing up the outstanding issues with the Meadow Street Fencing.

Discussions were had regarding re-barking the play area.

c) Defibrillator

No further information had been received regarding the defibrillator at the Golden Lion.

Councillor Dickenson advised that the arrangements regarding the defibrillator at the Village Hall were ongoing. It was AGREED that an article be included in the

19/06/18 Summer Newsletter to advise that the Parish Council were investigating the installation at the Village Hall.

d) War Memorial Trees

The Clerk advised that Heapey Parish Council had requested further details of the quotation before they could agree to contribute to the cost. Councillor Wheale advised that one quotation was verbal but could increase slightly due to the two poisonous trees.

20/06/18 It was RESOLVED that the removal of the trees should go ahead due to the Health and Safety Issues.

Councillor Dickenson subsequently advised that the War Memorial Trust had agreed to contribute a third of the cost of the tree removal.

PLANNING MATTERS

21/06/18 18/00348/FUL – Land South of Marlpit, Hillock Farm, Briers Brow, Wheelton.

The Parish Council RESOLVED to object to this application on the grounds of this being a Green Field Site, the building being demolished was much smaller than the new development and the access was poor and on a dangerous bend.

22/06/18 Governors further RESOLVED that the planning subcommittee would consist of Councillors Harper, Dickenson and Wheale.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS

23/06/18 All accounts were authorised for payment:
Mrs J Carr – June Salary - £332.97
Inland Revenue – June Deductions - £83.40
S. Berry – Grounds Maintenance - £920.00
LexisNexis – New publication - £60.00
BHIB Ltd – Annual Insurance - £792.98

DD – Easy Websites – Website hosting and support June - £24.00

ANNUAL AUDIT

24/06/18 Councillors RESOLVED to accept the report from the Internal Auditor and noted that there were no items for action. The Clerk was commended for the financial work during the year.

NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA MEETING

Councillors noted that the next meeting of the Neighbourhood Area Meeting – Eastern Parishes had been moved to 13 June 2018 at 5.00pm.

NEWSLETTER

Councillors discussed the articles for the Summer Newsletter. The Clerk requested that any articles be forwarded to her by 25 June 2018.

GDPR

Councillors were advised of the reports and procedures being prepared by the Clerk.

REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

Councillor Dickenson reported that the Lay Preacher Mr Fernley would take the service. Mr Wharburton would request the use of the PA System.

The next sub-committee meeting was in July and a report would be given to the September Parish Council meeting.

SILENT SOLDIER

25/06/18 Councillors noted the information regarding the Silent Soldier project and discussed the matter. The Clerk advised that Heapey Parish Council had questioned whether the Parish Council would be installing one at the War Memorial Gardens. Following discussion, the Parish Council DELEGATED a decision to the Chairman should the cost be £100.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- Rivington and Brinscall LAG meeting Monday 11 June 2018.
- Iron Man UK. Sunday 15 July 2018. Traffic restrictions on the A674.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 2 July 2018 at 8.00pm.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.

Minutes approved and accepted as correct

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Chairman

Dated