

**MINUTES OF THE 1023rd WHEELTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 2 MARCH 2020
AT WHEELTON VILLAGE HALL, WEST VIEW, WHEELTON**

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

Clerk: Parish Clerk Joanne Carr.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor's Berry and Scambler declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 206/03/20 as they know the owners and item 208/03/20 Payments – cheque for S. Berry.

MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING 6 JANUARY 2020

204/03/20 The minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman on behalf of the Parish Council.

Councillor Hayes reported that he had not received a response from the County Council regarding his request for a 20 mile an hour limit on Victoria Street. The Clerk advised that she had received an email with information about reporting concerns regarding speeding traffic. The Clerk was requested to include this information in the Summer 2020 newsletter.

POLICE REPORT

There was no report from the Police.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

The following concerns were raised and the Clerk was requested to report them:

- the drain on Whins Lane is blocked with a layer of mud and flooding in rain.
- The Whins Lane road signposts are rotting
- Whins Lane – water is pouring out of the drain at the top of the lane
- Water is flowing from the Dressers Arms car park and across the A674 which could cause a flood risk in freezing weather
- There is a blue car with a flat tyre parked in Whins lane which has not moved for over two weeks.

ENHANCING WHEELTON

a) Traffic Matters

There were no new issues raised.

b) Recreation Area Enhancement

There were no new issues raised.

c) War Memorial

The Clerk advised that she had collected two free trees from Chorley Council.

Councillor Dickenson presented a quotation for four trees from Birkacre Garden Centre at a cost of £264.96.

205/03/20 Following discussion, Councillors APPROVED the quotation for the four trees.

Councillors noted that the Cypress tree had been removed.

PLANNING MATTERS

20/00096/FULHH – Section 73 application to remove condition 3 (agricultural occupancy) of planning permission ref. 5/5/8525. The Bungalow, Briers Brow, Wheelton.

206/03/20 It was RESOLVED to make no objection to this application but to make the comment that there is a concern about the lack of parking.

20/00137/FUL – Part two storey, part first floor side extension adjoining to single storey rear extension and, parking to front. 3 Millbrook Close, Wheelton.

207/03/20 It was RESOLVED to make no objection to this application.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS

208/03/20 All accounts were authorised for payment:

Mrs J Carr – Salary – March - £350.02
Inland Revue – Salary Deductions – March - £87.60
S. Berry – Grounds Maintenance - £920.00
Heapey & Wheelton Village Hall – Room Hire - £374.00
Birkacre Garden Centre – trees - £264.96

DD Easy Websites – Web Hosting and Support February £27.60

ASSET REGISTER AND RISK ASSESSMENT

209/03/20 Councillors RESOLVED to accept the Asset Register and the Risk Assessment 2020 as circulated.

PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY

Councillors considered Mrs M France's expression of interest in joining the Parish Council.

210/03/20 Councillors RESOLVED to co-opt Mrs M France to the Parish Council. The Clerk was requested to arrange for the appropriate certificates to be completed.

LALC SPRING CONFERENCE

211/03/20 Councillors RESOLVED to note the information circulated regarding the LALC Conference but not to attend.

LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL SAFER ROAD USERS EVENT

203/02/20 Councillors RESOLVED to note the information circulated regarding the Lancashire County Council safer road users' event.

BATTLE OF BRITIAN ANNIVERSARY

Councillors RESOLVED to note the letter from the Royal Air Force Spadeadam regarding events to celebrate the Battle of Britain Anniversary but to make no comment.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

The following items were noted for information:

- Rivington and Brinscall Local Advisory Groups meeting – Wednesday 4 March at 6.30pm at Chorley Town Hall.
- Lancashire County Council Safer Road Users Free Event for Over 60'2 on 26 March 2020 at 10.00am.
- Chorley Borough Council Liaison meeting on Wednesday, 18 March 2020 at 6.30pm.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 6 April 2020 at 8.00pm.

The meeting closed at 9.05pm.

Minutes approved and accepted as correct

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Chairman

Dated