

**MINUTES OF THE 958th WHEELTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 3 MARCH 2014
AT WHEELTON VILLAGE HALL, WEST VIEW, WHEELTON**

PRESENT:

Councillors Dickenson, Berry, Fowler and Scambler.
Borough Councillor France.

Clerk: Parish Clerk Joanne Carr.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Hayes and Stewart and Borough Councillor Hansford.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING 3 FEBRUARY 2014.

955/03/14 The minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record.

954/02/14 The clerk advised that Councillors will be sent the paperwork to apply as a Parish Councillor and that the clerk will also receive a number of spare copies. The chairman advised that the packs will be available on the 14 March 2014 with nominations taken from the 15 April. The final date for submission will be 24 April 2014 at 4.00pm.

POLICE REPORT

No report had been received from the Police.

The Chairman advised that:

- both PS Appleton and PCSO Appleton were on maternity leave.
- No reply had been received from the Police Commissioner regarding attendance at public events.
- It was not clear whether the police were able to do anything regarding double parking in the village and it was noted that the police were very short staffed.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

The following matters were reported:

- 956/03/14
 - Two mopeds have been seen driving along the walkway between Whins Lane and Blackburn road in the evening. The Clerk was requested to inform the police.
- 957/03/14
 - The Dog Bin on the canal was full and did not seem to be being emptied. The Clerk was requested to advise Chorley Borough Council.
 - The Chairman reported that it was hoped that fast broadband should be installed in the area by the end of the year.

ENHANCING WHEELTON

1) PARKING ISSUES

The Chairman advised that the offer of housing the speed indicator trailer had been accepted. Mr Willson, Buckholes Farm had agreed to store the trailer on an area of hard standing although a tarpaulin will be required. Surrounding Parish Councils had advised to contribute towards the insurance and maintenance as part of a share scheme.

The Clerk advised that Parkwise had replied to the request for a visit as circulated with the agenda.

- 958/03/14
 - No action had been taken regarding the parking in the village and the Chairman reported that the bottom of meadow Street had been blocked recently by vehicles. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk should write to Parkwise to report the continued problem.
 - The Parking issues on Bett Lane/Blackburn Road were not enforceable due to there being no parking restrictions. Any problems would need to be reported to Lancashire County Council. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk should write to the County Council to advise them of the parking problems.
- 959/03/14
 - It was RESOLVED that the Clerk should write to Parkwise and request that they contact the Chairman regarding the requested site visit.
- 960/03/14

2) PLAY AREA PATHWAY

The Clerk reported that no further information has been received regarding the play area pathway project.

3) PLAY AREA EQUIPMENT

Councillor Berry reported that Playdale had been on site undertaking the play ground equipment maintenance.

- 961/03/14 It was RESOLVED that the Clerk should invoice the playground Trust for the work undertaken by Playdale to the Playground Equipment.

PLANNING MATTERS

14/00080/REM – Land between 502 and 506 Blackburn Road, Higher Wheelton.

- 962/03/14 It was RESOLVED that no objection should be raised to this application.

Temporary Event Licence – 24 May 2014. The Old Barn, Roscoe Fold, Briers Brow, Wheelton

FINANCIAL REPORT

- 963/03/14 All accounts were authorised for payment:
Mrs J Carr – Clerks Salary - £291.66
Inland Revenue – Salary Deductions - £72.80
Mrs J Carr – Stamps - £12.00
Berry's – Garden Maintenance - £910.00

FUNDING REQUEST FROM BRINSCALL ST JOHN'S CE METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL

Councillors noted the request from Brinscall St John's CE Methodist Primary School for funding towards draining the school fund as circulated. It was noted that the Parish Council had previously resolved not to give grant funding to schools as the children from the village go to a number of local schools and the Parish Council could not support all the schools financially. It was also noted that it had been resolved in July that the Parish Council would make no donations in 2013/14 except for the War Memorial Trust and the Village Hall.

- 964/03/14 It was RESOLVED that the Clerk should write to Brinscall St John's CE Methodist Primary School to advise that the Parish Council would be unable to make a donation to their project.

CONSULTATION REGARDING THE INSTALLATION OF WIND GENERATORS

Councillors noted the information received regarding the

installation of two micro domestic wind generators to the north west of bluebell cottage, Trigg Lane, Heapey, Chorley. Discussions were had regarding Chorley Borough Councils planning policy regarding energy installations on green belt and the Chairman reminded Councillors that the Parish Council should agree a consensus regarding solar and wind applications in the parish.

965/03/14 It was RESOLVED to make no comment on the application and to request that the Clerk include this matter on the agenda after the elections in May 2014.

REPLY FROM LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL REGARDING THE PROPOSAL RELATING TO SUBSIDISED BUS SERVICE

Councillors noted the letter from Lancashire County Council advising that the proposal to reduce the amount of subsidy available for non-commercial bus services had been shelved and that each route would be reviewed when the individual contract becomes due for renewal over the next few years.

Parish Councillors congratulated the group from Brinscall who had organised the meeting with the County Council.

CHORLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL'S CCTV REVIEW

Councillors noted the information circulated regarding Chorley Council's CCTV review

966/03/14 It was RESOLVED to make no comment.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

- Mayor's Charity Gala – Friday 28 March 2014
- The South Ribble Borough council Renewable and Low Carbon Energy SPD Response Report is available on line until the 12 March 2014.
- Neighbourhood Planning Workshop – 11 March 2014.
- Network Rail drop in sessions regarding road closures.
- Temporary Road Closure on Briers Brow, Wheelton 6 May 2014 – 12 May 2014.
- Chorley Civic Society Bi-annual awards 2014.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 7 April 2014 at 8.00pm

The meeting closed at 8.50pm

Minutes approved and accepted as correct

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Chairman

Dated