

**MINUTES OF THE 1015th WHEELTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 13 MAY 2019
AT WHEELTON VILLAGE HALL, WEST VIEW, WHEELTON**

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

Clerk: Parish Clerk Joanne Carr.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence. Councillors noted the absence of Councillor Fowler.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Dickenson reported a non-pecuniary interest in item 128/05/19 as he was involved in a number of local sports clubs.

113/05/19 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Following a Discussion on succession, Councillor Harper was elected Chairman for the 2019-20 Year.

114/05/19 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

Following a Discussion, Councillor Berry was elected Vice-Chairman for the 2019-20 Year.

115/05/19 ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2019/2020

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 Eastern 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 – Vacancy – advertise in the Parish Newsletter.

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 Councillor M Harper

Wheelton Website Co-ordinator – Parish Clerk

Rivington and Brinscall Local Advisory Group – Councillor Dickenson.

MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING 1 APRIL 2019

116/05/19 The minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman on behalf of the Parish Council.

Councillor Berry advised that the Gully had been emptied on Bett Lane. The Operator had advised that the gully was only working at 75% due to a problem, but the County would not replace it until it deteriorated further.

POLICE REPORT

There was no report from the Police.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Councillor Dickenson reported that Mr James had been researching names on the War Memorial plaques and identified where they lived in Wheelton. Mr James was suggesting that the owners of the houses put a poppy wreath in their front window on Remembrance weekend to commemorate the fallen. Councillors felt that it would be nice to put something in the Newsletter. Councillor Dickenson would ask Mr James to forward something to the Clerk.

Councillor Dickenson advised that the Tea Rooms had suggested that the small plastic cups purchased for the Carols around the tree be changed to small paper cups and had sent a sample. Councillors agreed that this was acceptable and requested that Councillor Dickenson liaise with the Tea Rooms nearer the time.

ENHANCING WHEELTON

a) Traffic Matters

Councillor Dickenson reported that he had received complaints from 5 residents complaining that there was a resident in Millbrook Close who was running a business from their house and parking vans and vehicles in the turning point for long periods of time.

117/05/19 Discussions were had and Borough Councillor Mrs M France was requested to speak to Chorley Borough Council Planning Department regarding the matter.

Councillor Hayes acknowledged that the County Council had advised that there were no reported traffic accidents in Victoria Street in Wheelton but questioned why other areas of Chorley had received 20 mile an hour limits when they were not in accident blackspots.

118/05/19 It was RESOLVED that Councillor Hayes should investigate if there was any data relating to accident statistics and the installation of 20 mile an hour speed limits in other Chorley areas.

b) Recreation Area Enhancement

The Clerk highlighted that the play area had been re-barked by Chorley Borough Council.

c) Defibrillator

Councillors reported that the Golden Lion had now installed the defibrillator on the outside wall of the Public House.

d) War Memorial Trees

The Clerk advised that the tree survey was still outstanding on the War Memorial Trees and agreed to progress matters.

PLANNING MATTERS

19/00232/FUL – 420 Blackburn Road, Higher Wheelton.

119/05/19 The Parish Council RESOLVED to make no objection to this application.

19/00253/FULHH – 14 Millbrook Close, Wheelton

120/05/19 The Parish Council RESOLVED to make no objection to this application but to raise the concern about parking as this would reduce the number of parking spaces for the property.

Tree Preservation Order Number 4 (Wheelton) 2019

121/05/19 The Parish Council RESOLVED to note the temporary tree preservation order at Buckholes Farm, Wheelton Chorley.

DEVELOPMENT WORK AT PROSPECT HOUSE, WINNS LANE, WHEELTON.

Borough Councillor Mrs France gave an overview of the actions undertaken regarding the current development work at Prospect House and advised that there was currently a Stop Notice in place while Lancashire County Council consider further actions due to the matter now being classed as a Waste and Minerals matter because of the volume of material that had been brought onto site. A planning application could be raised

under this area but there is nothing currently on the County Council Website. The Parish Council discussed the issue and were concerned that the work would start up again when the notice period ends.

122/05/19 Borough Councillor Mrs M France was requested to advise Chorley Borough Council of the Parish Council's concerns about the volume of material that had been brought in.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS

123/05/19 All accounts were authorised for payment:

Mrs J Carr – May Salary - £343.24
Inland Revenue – May Deductions - £85.80
LALC – Annual Subscription - £314.63
BHIB Insurance – Annual Insurance - £821.99

DD E-On – War Memorial Electricity - £64.20
DD – Easy Websites – Website hosting and support April - £27.60

Mrs J Carr – June Salary - £343.24
Inland Revenue – June Deductions - £85.80

ACCOUNTS

124/05/19 Councillors RESOLVED to accept the Bank Reconciliation, Receipts and Payments and Budget to Spend reports to March 2019 as circulated.

ACCOUNTS REPORTS

125/05/19 Councillors APPROVED the Audit Statement for signature as circulated and APPROVED Mrs Joanne Ainsworth as the Internal Auditor for the 2019/20 Financial Year.

DEFIBRILLATOR

Councillors noted the Clerk was checking the Defibrillator regularly. Councillor Berry agreed to check the defibrillator when she checked the village hall doors and Councillors Dickenson and Harper would also check when they were passing.

126/05/19 It was RESOLVED that there were enough checks taking place for the Defibrillator and that any Councillor finding an issue with the unit would advise the Clerk immediately so that it could be reported.

LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY – LOCAL DELIVERY SCHEME 2019/20 OPT-IN

127/05/19 It was RESOLVED to note the information circulated regarding the County Council's public rights of way – local delivery scheme 2019/20 opt-in but agreed not to participate.

CHORLEY SPORTS AWARDS 2019

The Clerk advised that Chorley Borough Council were asking for nominations for their Sports Awards 2019.

128/05/19 The Parish Council RESOLVED to make no nominations and to put the information in the next newsletter and on the Parish Council Website for residents to do so if they wished.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWLETTER ARTICLES

Councillors discussed suitable articles for the summer edition of the Parish Council Newsletter.

The Clerk advised that a request had been received for an article in the next newsletter.

Councillors confirmed that the Parish Council would offer the first article in the newsletter for free with subsequent adverts at £25.00 per half page.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- Chorley Liaison Meeting – Wednesday 17 July 2019
- LALC Conference 15 June 2019

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 3 June 2019 at 8.00pm.

The meeting closed at 9.25pm.

Minutes approved and accepted as correct

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Chairman

Dated