MINUTES OF THE 965th WHEELTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 3 NOVEMBER 2014 AT WHEELTON VILLAGE HALL, WEST VIEW, WHEELTON

PRESENT:

Councillors Berry, Dickenson, Fowler, Scambler and Wheale.

Borough Councillor Mrs M France and Mr C France, PCSO Short.

Clerk: Parish Clerk Joanne Carr.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Hayes and Stewart.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest. Councillor Dickenson advised that he was no longer the Treasurer of Chorley Challengers Disabled Sports Group.

MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING 6 OCTOBER 2014

63/11/14 The minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record. The following items were noted:

60/10/14 – The Parish Council ADOPTED the amendment to the 2013 Standing Orders.

A planning application had been received from Armstrong Aggregates.

POLICE REPORT

PCSO Short tabled copies of the In-Touch newsletter and highlighted that there had been 23 crimes in the area this month; 2 dwelling burglaries, 3 other burglaries, 8 reports of criminal damage, 6 vehicle crimes and 4 thefts, and gave an overview. PCSO short reported that neighbouring forces are engaging in joint intelligence to help identify offenders.

The Chairman reported that the Specials had been excellent during the recent Villages Race and the Parish Council and Village Hall Committee requested that PCSO Short convey their thanks.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

The following matters were reported:

- Councillor Dickenson reported that Village Hall Committee had been advised that the village hall required either temporary licences for amplified music as well as the sale of alcohol or a Premises Licence. The Committee had lost the income due to having to provide the hall for free at a recent event due to the late notice and to ensure that the event could take place. Councillors discussed the situation and felt that this could discourage users. Councillor Mrs M France agreed to investigate the issue.
- Councillor Berry advised that there were two street lights not working at the bottom end of Meadow Street.

ENHANCING WHEELTON

1) PARKING

Councillor Dickenson reported that he had attended a meeting with John Philis, LCC, who had advised that the Parkwise Contract was in place but that the County Council would request ad-hoc enforcement visits. It was also agreed that when the contract came up for renewal, evening and weekend visits would be included in the contract.

Councillor Dickenson also reported that he had been advised that legislation had now changed which meant that the PCSO warning notices regarding inconsiderate or illegal parking were no longer allowed to be placed under windscreen wipers.

2) SPID TRAILER

It was agreed to defer this item to the December meeting of the Parish Council.

3) PLAY EQUIPMENT REPAIRS

The Clerk reported that the Play Equipment repair had been completed and the replacement bark installed.

PLANNING MATTERS

14/01045/FUL – South Miry Fold Farm, Briers Brow, Wheelton

64/11/14 It was RESOLVED that no objections should be raised to this application but to request that the development be in keeping with the local area.

14/01089/FUL – The Golden Lion, 369 Blackburn Road, Higher Wheelton

It was RESOLVED that the Parish Council's previous objections be 65/11/14 reiterated regarding site development, parking and access. It was felt that the Car Parking provision provided was inadequate for the housing.

Borough Councillor Mrs M France advised that there had been an application regarding replacement masts in Harbour Land and 8 masts being installed in Millbrook Close. The Clerk was requested to write to BT Openreach to question what their proposals were for Wheelton.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS

67/11/14 All accounts were authorised for payment:
Mrs J Carr – Clerks Salary November - £313.16
Inland Revenue – Salary Deductions - £78.40
Parkleisure – Play Equipment repairs - £900.00
Chorley Borough Council – Play area bark - £504.00

VETERANS IN COMMUNITITES

Councillors noted the information received from Veterans in Communities regarding returning Ex-service personnel.

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

Councillors noted the arrangements for the Service on Sunday 9 November 2014 and were advised that the Wreath had been ordered and would be delivered to Councillor Dickenson.

CAROLS AROUND THE TREE

The Parish Council noted the arrangements for the Carols around the tree service and APPROVED the purchase of new lights if necessary and the budget of £50 for refreshments.

FIBRE BROADBAND ROLLOUT

69/11/14 Councillor Dickenson reported that he had attended the meeting regarding the rollout of Fibre Broadband in the village. Work had been started in September 2014 and should be completed by March 2015. He advised that should superfast broadband be installed for households a charge for installation would be levied by the provider.

LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL REVIEWED RIGHTS OF WAY IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Borough Councillor Mrs M France reported that the top surface of the pathway along the Goit footpath was in poor condition and that a quotation for repair and been beyond the budget.

70/11/14 It was RESOLVED that Councillor Dickenson and Borough Councillor Mrs France should complete the observation form from the Lancashire County Council reviewed Rights of Way Improvement Plan.

PRECEPT 2015/16

71/11/14 Councillors noted the draft precept provided and it was RESOLVED that Councillors should advise the Clerk of any suggested amendments.

NEWSLETTER

Following discussions Councillors were requested to forward any articles for inclusion to the Clerk by the 17 November 2014.

CHORLEY LOCAL PLAN 2012-2026

72/11/14 It was RESOLVED to make no comment on Chorley Borough Council's consultation on Gypsy and Travellers and Travelling showpeople schedule of proposed modifications October 2014.

It being 9.30pm it was agreed to suspend standing orders for 15 minutes.

CHORLEY COUNCIL DAFFODIL BULBS

73/11/14 It was RESOLVED to accept Chorley Council's gift of 1000 Daffodil Bulbs to plant in grassed areas within the Parish.

NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM MANAGER PRIORITIES 2015/16

Councillors considered the request from the new Neighbourhood Team Manager regarding suggestions for priorities for 2015/16.

74/11/14 It was RESOLVED that the Clerk should request that the cobbled walkway between Meadow Street and Victoria street be included in the Neighbourhood Priorities for 2015/16.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

• The Mayor of Chorley had invited Councillors to take part in the Remembrance Sunday commemorations taking place on Sunday 9 November 2014 at 9.30am followed by a parade to the Cenotaph at 10.15am.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 1 December 2014 at 8.00pm The meeting closed at 9.40pm

Minutes approved and accepted as correct
Dated