

**MINUTES OF THE 1045th WHEELTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 3 OCTOBER 2022
AT WHEELTON VILLAGE HALL, WEST VIEW, WHEELTON**

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

IN ATTENDANCE:

Clerk: Parish Clerk Joanne Carr.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence received.

DECLARATIONS OF OFFICE

Councillors Berry and Scambler declared a non-pecuniary interest in 44/10/22 Cheque for S Berry as the contractor is a relative.

Councillors Dickenson and Wheale declared a non-pecuniary interest in 43/10/22 Planning application 22/00919/FULHH as the owner is known to them.

MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING 5 SEPTEMBER 2022

42/10/22 The minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman on behalf of the Parish Council.

Councillors reported that the spikes were on the fence around Prospect House we starting to be removed. The overgrown prickly bushes that had been planted alongside Todds Hall Cobbled Footpath past the property had been reported.

POLICE REPORT

The Clerk reported that there was no report from the Police this month.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Councillor Hayes reported that the Dressers Arms were offering a free pint in return for residents collected a bin bag of rubbish from the roads around the Village.

ENHANCING WHEELTON

a) Traffic Matters

Councillor Harper advised that he and Councillor Hayes would liaise regarding the new metal collar to repair the fingerpost and the re-painting.

Councillors reported that a mobile camera van had been at the top of Whins Lane which had helped to reduce speed along the A674. There had also been a reduction of large vehicles using the road.

b) Recreation Area Enhancement

The Clerk advised that the order had been placed for the replacement play equipment and that she was waiting to approve the start date for the work.

c) War Memorial

The Clock had been showing the incorrect time. Councillor Harper advised that he had adjusted the timing and it was now correct.

PLANNING MATTERS

43/10/22 The Parish Council considered the following planning applications and RESOLVED to make the following observations:

22/00919/FULHH 20 Lawton Close, Higher Wheelton
Erection of a first floor to existing bungalow to create a 4 bedroom, two storey dwelling.

The Parish Council RESOLVED to object to this application on the following grounds:

- This is not in keeping with the local area
- The development is overbearing and will overlook other properties
- There is not enough room for additional parking
- There is very little room between the properties.

LCC/2021/0007 Land north of A674 Millennium Way, Northeast of M61 Junction 8
Prior extraction of sand/gravel and subsequent restoration with inert engineering fill to facilitate a platform for employment development, or agriculture, with peripheral landscaping.

The Parish Council RESOLVED to object to this application on the following grounds:

- traffic. This is a very busy road leading to an already overused junction. Rush hour in the morning and evening see tailbacks onto/off the motorway

- and into Chorley. It is one of the main routes to the hospital.
- this is already an area with the worse air pollution in Chorley. This development would create dust and worsen the air quality even further
 - There is only a reduction of 5 lorries on the previous application which is not going to make much difference to the traffic impact.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS

44/10/22 All accounts were authorised for payment:

Mrs J Carr – Salary October – £365.92
Inland Revenue – Salary Deductions October - £91.60
RBL – Poppy Wreath - £25.00
S. Berry – Grounds Maintenance - £920.00
SLCC – Annual Membership - £112.00

DD Easy Websites – Web Hosting and Support October – £27.60

45/10/22 FINANCIAL REPORTS

The Parish Council RESOLVED to accept the Bank Reconciliation, Receipts and Payments and Budget to Spend reports to September 2021.

COMMUNITY LITTER PICK

46/10/22 Councillors RESOLVED to defer the consideration of a community litter pick event until January for a February/March litter pick.

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

The Clerk reported that letters had been sent out to everyone regarding the Remembrance Service but that no responses had been received yet.

CAROLS AROUND THE TREE

The Parish Council RESOLVED that:

- 47/10/22**
- The event would be run along the same line as last year.
 - The Clerk should ask Mr Warburton if he can provide a PA again this year.

Council Mrs France reported that there is a Chorley Borough Council Community Grant that could be requested to make a grant towards the cost of the event if the Parish Council needed to hire a PA system this year.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- Chorley Liaison meeting will be on Wednesday 19 October 2022.
- Annual Lancashire Parish and Town Council Conference will take place on

Saturday 12 November 2022 in The Exchange at County Hall, Preston
beginning at 9.30am.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 7 November 2022 at 8.00pm.

The meeting closed at 9.00pm.

Minutes approved and accepted as correct

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Chairman

Dated