

**MINUTES OF THE 1034th WHEELTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 4 OCTOBER 2021
AT WHEELTON VILLAGE HALL, WEST VIEW, WHEELTON**

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

Clerk: Parish Clerk Joanne Carr.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies of absence were received from County Councillor Cullens.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors Mrs Berry and Scambler made a non-pecuniary interest in 308/10/21 cheque for S Berry because they were relatives.

Councillors Wheale and Harper declared a non-pecuniary interest in 307/10/21 Application 21/01077/FUL

Councillor Dickenson declared a non-pecuniary interest in 307/10/21 Application 21/01083/FUL because he is on the Village Hall Committee.

303/10/21 MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING 6 SEPTEMBER 2021

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

Councillor Dickenson reported that the Parish Council could set up a website and discussions were had. It was felt that it would need to be set up so that any posts were approved before they were posted.

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

Councillor Mrs Berry advised that it was not known yet whether the Brownies would be attending the service but that she would continue to liaise with them. Councillor Mrs France agreed to speak to the Scouts to ascertain whether they would be attending.

304/10/21 The Clerk reported that Reverend Hogarth had not responded to her email but that could be because he was due to go into hospital for a further procedure. Councillors RESOLVED that Mr Shorrock should be requested to take the service should Reverend Hogarth be unable to attend.

305/10/21 Following discussion, it was RESOLVED that Councillor Harper would speak to the British Legion regarding their allotted place on the day if there was a issue.

POLICE REPORT

The Clerk reported that PCSO Clarke had not sent in a report this month.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Councillor Dickenson reported that the Red Lion closing times were creeping later and later again. The matter had been reported to Chorley Borough Council licensing.

306/10/21 Councillors noted that a A-frame advertising board had been sited at the top of Victoria Street by the Pub. The Clerk was requested to write to the Landlord and request that the A-boards be removed from the sight line.

ENHANCING WHEELTON

a) Traffic Matters

No response had been received from the County Council regarding allowing the Parish Council to undertake repairs to the finger post outside the memorial gardens.

b) Recreation Area Enhancement

Councillor Dickenson reported that he had costed out the Play Equipment at approximately £60,000 and it was noted that the replacement could be done in stages if funding did not stretch to the full amount in one go.

Councillor Dickenson advised that he was unable to attend the Neighbourhood Liaison Meeting to request that Wheelton Parish Council be awarded funds towards the project. Councillor Mrs France advised that she would be at the meeting and would put the Parish Council request forward.

c) War Memorial

Councillor Wheale advised that the sensor was not working on the clock so the light was currently on permanently.

PLANNING MATTERS

307/10/21 The Parish Council considered the following planning applications and RESOLVED to make the following observations:

21/01077/FUL Sewing Repairs And Alterations 1A Victoria Street Wheelton

Change of use from dwelling house and builders yard to dwelling house, including modification to outbuildings and extension

The Parish Council RESOLVED to make no objection to this application but to advise that the site was not the Sewing Repairs and Alterations.

21/01083/FUL Heapey And Wheelton Village Hall West View Wheelton
Proposed external fire escape steps

The Parish Council RESOLVED to make no objection to this application.

21/01159/P3PAM Land 310M South of Brinscall Hall, Dick Lane, Wheelton
Prior approval application under Part 3, Class R of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as Amended) for the proposed change of use of 2 No. agricultural buildings to a flexible use falling within Class B8 (Storage or distribution) for caravan storage.

The Parish Council RESOLVED to object to the application on the grounds of access because it is a single-track road not suitable for taking caravans down. There were also concerns that an application for a farm building has been approved but if this was approved the agriculture would be removed.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS

308/10/21 All accounts were authorised for payment:

Mrs J Carr – Salary October – £359.66
Mrs J Carr - Inland Revenue – Salary Deductions October - £90.00
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

CAROLS AROUND THE TREE EVENT

Councillor Dickenson reported that the local business were happy to do the Carols around the Tree if the Parish Council wanted to resume this year. Councillor Mrs Berry advised that she did not know whether the Brownies/Guides would be attending yet.

309/10/21 The Parish Council RESOLVED that:

- The Clerk should contact Mr Warburton and the Musicians to advise that the Parish Council were investigating whether to hold the event and establish if they were able to attend
- Councillor Wheale would arrange the Christmas Tree again this year

- Councillor Harper would arrange the Christmas decorations.

DFE CONSULTATION ON LOCAL NATURE RECOVERY STRATEGIES

310/10/21 The Parish Council RESOLVED to note the DFE Consultation on Local Nature Recovery Strategies.

COUNTY COUNCIL'S CONSULTATION ON THE BUS SERVICE IMPROVEMENT PLANS 2021

The Parish Council discussed the local Bus Service Improvement Plans noting that the County Council was proposing increasing the number of buses going from Chorley to Preston but that one bus an hour from Chorley to Blackburn via Wheelton was not sufficient.

311/10/21 The Parish Council RESOLVED to respond to the County Council's consultation on the Bus Service Improvement Plans and report that one bus per hour was not sufficient specifically on Tuesday because that was market day.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- LALC meeting - Annual General Meeting on **Saturday, 20 November 2021** at 10am, via Zoom
- The Neighbourhood Area Meeting time had changed to 5.30pm.
- Chorley Council were looking to increase the number of temporary event notices that a premises was able to apply for.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 1 November 2021 at 8.00pm.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.

Minutes approved and accepted as correct

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Chairman

Dated