

**MINUTES OF THE 975th WHEELTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 5 OCTOBER 2015
AT WHEELTON VILLAGE HALL, WEST VIEW, WHEELTON**

PRESENT: Councillors Berry, Dickenson, Fowler, Harper and Scambler.

Clerk: Parish Clerk Joanne Carr.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Hayes and Wheale.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Berry declared a non pecuniary interest in item 168/10/15 as the applicant is known to her.

MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING 7 SEPTEMBER 2015

166/10/15 The minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record.

POLICE REPORT

There were no reports from the Police.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Councillors discussed the recent meeting at Chorley Council regarding Fracking and noted that potential sites were being investigated.

Councillor Fowler reported that there was a pothole in the pavement outside 44 Millbrook Close that had been made by the Electric Board.

Councillor Harper joined the meeting.

ENHANCING WHEELTON

1) TRAFFIC ISSUES – SPiD Trailer

The Clerk advised that there was nothing to report regarding the SPiD trailer.

2) PLAY AREA – ROSPA Report

The Council noted the information included in the previously circulated RoSPA report. The Clerk advised that the loose bolt on the tower basket had already been replaced.

PLANNING MATTERS

The Parish Council noted the observations made by the planning group during the August holiday as follows:-

- 167/10/15 15/00826/FUL Bancroft Cottage, Higher Simpson Fold, Higher Wheelton
Erection of a single storey extension to the front of the dwelling.
Comments: The Parish Council made no objections to this application.
- 168/10/15 15/00849/OUT Flash Green Acre, Jenny Lane, Higher Wheelton
Outline application for the erection of one bungalow, all matters reserved.
Comments: The Parish Council made no objections to this application but requested that the development be in keeping with the local area.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS

- 169/10/15 All accounts were authorised for payment:
Mrs J Carr – Clerks Salary October - £320.18
Inland Revenue – Salary Deductions - £80.00
E-On – War Memorial Electricity DD - £43.21
SLCC – Annual Membership - £103.00
Village Hall Committee – Donation - £700.00
War Memorial Trust – Donation – £200.00

AUDIT REPORT

- 170/10/15 The Parish Council RESOLVED to note the Audit Report for the year ended 31 March 2015. There were no issues to report. The Clerk was thanked for completing the accounts for the last year with no corrective actions.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

- 171/10/15 The Parish Council noted the income and expenditure, bank reconciliation and receipts and payments reports as circulated.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE

The Clerk advised that letters of invitation have been sent out. Replies had been received as follows:

- Councillor Ralph Snape had confirmed that he will be willing to attend and undertake the same roll as last year
- Mr Shorrocks had advised that he was willing to provide the same service as he has done in previous years for both the Remembrance Service and Carols around the tree.
- Reverend Cutler had advised that he would be unable to attend the service as he was leading the Withnell Fold service.

- Father Robinson had advised that he would be in attendance.
- Mr Walmsley had advised that he would be happy to take part in the service.

The Clerk advised that Councillor Hayes had requested that the Poppy Wreath be purchased from Tom Rigby who was part of the Royal British Legion. Councillors discussed the matter and noted that the wreath was already purchased from the British Legion through Heapey Parish Council so were unsure what would be gained by changing the arrangements.

172/10/15 It was RESOLVED that the Poppy Wreath should be purchased from the British Legion via Heapey Parish Council.

CHORLEY AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

The Chairman advised that he was unable to attend the Chorley Area Committee Meeting on 8 October. Unfortunately a replacement Councillor was not able to attend.

OWNERSHIP OF LAND BETWEEN MEADOW STREET, THE READING ROOMS AND THE BOUNDARY OF THE PLAYAREA

The Clerk advised that no reply had been received from the owner of the land.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

The following items were noted for information:

- The Villages Race would be taking place on 1st November 2015 and volunteer Marshals were requested.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 2 November 2015 at 8.00pm
The meeting closed at 8.30pm

Minutes approved and accepted as correct

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Chairman

Dated