

**MINUTES OF THE 997th WHEELTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 2 OCTOBER 2017
AT WHEELTON VILLAGE HALL, WEST VIEW, WHEELTON**

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

Two members of the Public.

Clerk: Parish Clerk Joanne Carr.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

376/10/17 Apologies for absence were received from Borough Councillor Mrs France.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Dickenson declared a non-pecuniary interest in items relating to the Red Lion as he is a neighbour of the premises.

MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING 4 SEPTEMBER 2017

377/10/17 The minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman on behalf of the Parish Council.

The Chairman advised that complaints were still being received regarding the Red Lion. Councillor Dickenson had met with both the Planning Officers and the Licencing Officers at the Town Hall and gave an overview of the information received. The Police had advised that they had not received any complaints from the public in relation to the Public House but that any issues regarding the establishment should be reported via 101 and a log number should be requested.

The Planning Enforcement Officer had advised that a temporary event licence had been approved regarding the Gin festival but that the marquee was only allowed to be erected for a maximum of 28 days a year and must be removed as soon as an event finished.

Councillor Dickenson reported that the War Memorial Trustees had reported that they wished to remove the overgrown vegetation from the Clock Tower and were also happy to investigate installing a plaque asking the public not to exercise their dogs in the memorial grounds.

Councillors discussed the A-frames and it was agreed that Councillor Hayes would undertake an inventory of the boards to enable letters to be sent to the advertisers advising them of the legal position regarding advertising on the highway.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Mr Hodgson thanked the Parish Council for listening to residents' concerns and reported that, since the last meeting, he had been in touch with the County Council and Environmental Health and had been advised the Public House was currently under observation. Mr Hodgeson reported that:

- the Police had been called over the weekend regarding noise nuisance and bad language coming from the premises.
- The licence for the event in the marquee states that it finishes at 11.00pm. The noise from the event could still be heard at 11.45pm a long way from the Pub.
- 5 residents on Victoria Street/Blackburn Road are installing CCTV partially due issues around the venue.

Councillors discussed the matters reported.

Councillor Wheale reported that the Gullies on Winns Lane at the footpath to the Canal were full of silt and that water was flowing down the pathway making ruts in the surface. The Clerk was requested to advise the County Council.

POLICE REPORT

There was no report from the Police.

ENHANCING WHEELTON

a) Traffic Matters

Councillors noted that only part of the road markings had been repainted on the A674 following road surfacing. The Parish Council RESOLVED that the Clerk should write to the County Council requesting that the markings be completed as people could interpret them as being an overtaking lane and not a turning lane.

378/10/17

b) Recreation Area Enhancement

PLAY AREA

The Chairman advised that the Parish Council would receive £2,000 from the successful funding bid and the Charity Trust had indicated that they were in favour of releasing funding to complete the project.

379/10/17 Following discussion, it was RESOLVED that the Chairman should speak to the Nursery to ascertain their views on the type of equipment to be installed.

ROSPA REPORT

Councillors noted the R.o.S.P.A. report as circulated and the Clerk advised of the work already completed and to be undertaken.

PLANNING MATTERS

- 17/00906/FULHH – Carmarosa, Harbour Lane, Wheelton.
380/10/17 The Parish Council RESOLVED to make no objections to this application.
- 17/00790/CLEUD Laneside Farm, Brown House Lane, Higher Wheelton
381/10/17 The Parish Council are opposed to planning approval and feel that the barn should have been used for agricultural use as that was what the original plans were approved for and that if it has been used for another use, which they have no proof of, that rates are paid for commercial or personal property.
- 17/00915/CLPUD – Overlea, Bett Lane, Harbour Wheelton.
382/10/17 The Parish Council RESOLVED to make no objections to this application
- 17/00927/FUL – 399 Blackburn Road, Higher Wheelton.
383/10/17 The Parish Council RESOLVED to make no objections to this application

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENTS

- 384/10/17** All accounts were authorised for payment:
- Mrs J Carr – October Salary - £326.60
Inland Revenue – October Deductions - £81.60
BDO – External Audit - £120.00
SLCC – Annual Membership - £93.00
Playsafety Limited – Playground Inspection - £92.40
- DD – Easy Websites – Website hosting and support October - £24.00
E-On – War Memorial Electricity - £69.00

EXTERNAL AUDITORS REPORT

- 385/10/17** Councillors noted the external Auditors report which showed no advisory comments. The Clerk was thanked for her hard work in preparing the accounts so accurately.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

- 386/10/17** Councillors noted the Bank Reconciliation, Income and Expenditure sheet and Receipts and Payments sheet to September 2017 as circulated.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

The Clerk advised that invitations had been sent out to the Remembrance Sunday Service. Councillor R Snape had advised that he would be attending but County Councillor Snowden would not be in attendance as he would be attending a family wedding that weekend.

A request had been received from MP Lindsey Hoyle for the Council to lay a wreath on his behalf.

387/10/17

Councillors RESOLVED that the Parish Council would lay a wreath on behalf of the local MP.

388/10/17 It being 9.30pm, Councillors RESOLVED to suspend Standing Orders for a maximum of half an hour.

BOROUGH COUNCIL CONSULTATION REGARDING BUS SHELTER

The Clerk advised that the Borough Council had written to advise that they had received a request to install a bus shelter towards the top end of Victoria Street.

389/10/17 Councillors discussed the matter and RESOLVED to support the installation of a Bus Shelter on Victoria Street but requested that Chorley Borough Council consult with the residents in the area that the shelter is proposed to be installed.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

There were no items to note.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 6 November 2017 at 8.00pm.

The meeting closed at 9.40pm.

Minutes approved and accepted as correct

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Chairman

Dated