

Whittington Parish Council

Minutes of meeting Monday 16th January 2017 held in Whittington Village Hall

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1292. Present: Cllrs Eric Pelter, Colin Hall, Edward Lawson, City Cllr Peter Williamson and the Clerk. Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Barbara Atkinson and Stuart Close. No members of the public were present.

1293. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting 21st November were read and signed as a true record.

1294. Clerk's report (matter's arising) : Minutes sent to Lancaster City Council and available at <https://committeeadmin.lancaster.gov.uk/mgParishCouncilDetails.aspx?ID=420&LS=3> .

Coneygarth Lane cul-de-sac signage reference 202320 in place as requested. Quarry gate requires attention – Cllrs Lawson and Close to arrange repair or replacement as required. WhittingtonClean17 litter picking session for 11.3.17 arranged by parishioner Mike, the village hall booked for refreshments of volunteers and registered with Keep Britain Tidy, further details to be confirmed. Lancashire County Council's Parish Bus Seminar/Workshop attended by Cllr Hall and parishioner Duncan. Apologies from the Clerk regarding late publication of minutes. Dates of meetings for 2017 were discussed : Monday 20th March 7.00pm: Monday 8th May Annual Parish meeting 7.00pm, Monday 15th may Annual General meeting 7.00pm followed by a Parish Council meeting: Monday 19th July 7.30pm: Monday 18th September 7.30pm: Monday 20th November 7.00pm.

1295. PACT: No crimes were reported in October or November. The link to local crime figures is www.police.uk Lancashire Constabulary>Upper Lune Valley and enter your postcode. Contact details: PC 3573 Rob Barnsley Community Beat Manager or PCSO 7109 Sarah Shepherd. Tel 101 for non-emergencies or morecambpt@lancashire.pnn.police.uk

1296. Finance: S137 donations for local charitable groups agreed by Cllrs: Royal British Legion £40.00 Cheque 511; Wagtail Toddlers and Playgroup £100.00 Cheque 512; North West Air Ambulance £150.00 Cheque 513; Arkholme and District Women's Institute £50.00 Cheque 514. Post Office Ltd for HMRC PAYE November and February at £62.40 Cheques 515 and 516 agreed by Cllrs. Cllrs agreed to cheque 517 to Mr Colin Hall £88.48 in total to pay for repair of Whittington signage (made up of payments to M.A.Bell £22.40 for straightening of sign and supplying bolts, B&Q £43.00 for hammerite, Builders Supply Company £23.08 for fastest postfix cement) ; Cllrs agreed to cheque 518 to Whittington Village Hall £35.54 for petrol trimmer supplies;£10 donation received from 16 The Maltings from the gardening competition. Cllrs agreed, after much discussion, to increase the precept request to £3,995.00 with the proposal to purchase Speed Indicator Device(s) in the near future.

Current Account sheet 273 4th November £3,061.55 Bonus Saver Account sheet 52 4th November £143.38

1297. Planning:

16/00373/FUL Demolition of rear storage building, erection of a single storey rear extension and detached double garage, removal of rear window, insertion of roof light and new leaded window to rear for Mr Simon Raistrick, School house, Main Street, Whittington, LA6 2NY **Application withdrawn.**

16/01373/FUL Demolition of outbuildings, conversion of barn to dwelling, erection of 3 dwellings with associated landscaping, parking and alterations to the existing access point for Mr Simon Nutter, Land to the rear of The Dragon's Head Hotel, Main Street, Whittington, LA6 2NY. Also Tree Preservation Order No587 (2016) **Application to be heard at full planning committee 9/1/17 adjourned for site visit 30/1/17 and rescheduled for a re-hearing 14/2/17 Awaiting decision.**

16/01450/CU Change of use of office/workshop into 2 dwellings incorporating the demolition of the single storey rear extension, construction of two rear canopies and extension of one detached dwelling (C3) and 16/01451/LB Listed Building application for the demolition of the single storey rear extension, construction of two canopies to the rear and works to facilitate the conversion of the office/workshop into 2 dwellings (C3) for Mr Nick Hall, Old School, Main Street, Whittington, LA6 2NY **Awaiting decision.**

Planning applications available for public viewing at <http://planapps.lancaster.gov.uk/publicaccess/>

1298. Correspondence received and discussed: LALC meeting 5th December attended by Cllr Hall who reported members had discussed the Lancaster Development Plan with regard to housing issues in the area, particularly Dolphinholme, Bailrigg, Halton and Bolton-Le-Sands. LALC Annual Report 2015/16. Clerks & Councils Direct January issue 109. LCR NALC newsletter issue Winter 2016. Lancashire County Council invitation to Parish & Town Council Conference. Lancashire County Council Foster Carer recruitment campaign. Lancashire Civic County Carol Service invitation to Blackburn Cathedral. Rental of Annexe at 2 Cross Cottages, Whittington with regard to parking spaces available, Parish and City Cllrs discussed the item and agreed a solution was not within their remit.

1299. Business introduced by Cllrs: Cllr Pelter reported that complaints had been received regarding the amount of dog faeces being left on "The Long Walk" between South Lodge and the Church was a problem. Clerk to confirm of Public Right of Way status. Parishioners and visitors are reminded it is an offence to allow your dog to defecate without disposing of the waste in a sealed bag in a grey bin.

Date of next meeting **Monday 20th March 2017 at 7.00pm** in Whittington Village Hall. (Note start time)