

## Arkholme with Cawood Parish Council

### Minutes for meeting Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2017 in Arkholme Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Graham Jackson-Pitt, David Howarth, Chris Preston, Rachael Gibson, City Cllr Roger Mace, the clerk Gillian Hodgson and 1 member of the public.

1. No apologies for absence were received.
2. Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February were read and signed as a true record by Cllr Jackson-Pitt.
3. Clerk's report/Matters arising
  - a) Co-option of a fifth councillor.
  - b) Invitation to Wray with Botton Parish Council to attend Annual Parish Meeting on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May to speak to parishioners about their Neighbourhood Plan. Robert Partington, Chair of Neighbourhood Planning Group, attending.
  - c) Hopewell Cup competition – TWO £15.00 book vouchers were not used. Cllrs propose to hold a Traditional Style Cake Competition to be incorporated with the School's Sports Day. £15 book vouchers awarded to Adult male winner, Adult female winner and a Schoolchild.
  - d) Community Transport Services available, please see noticeboard for more information. Voluntary Driver's required that reside in the Lune Valley.
  - e) The farm house at Storrs Gate Farm is in a state of disrepair, this has been reported to the Empty Homes Officer, Lancaster City Council.
  - f) Hornby Swimming Pool closure 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017. Lancaster City Council proposed to postpone closure for 6 months in order that a local group can form a Trust and continue to run the facility.
  - g) Hedge maintenance opposite Thorneys severe pruning undertaken, clerk to inform Planning Case Officer.
4. **PACT** No crimes were reported during October, November or December. Local crime figures are available at [www.police.uk](http://www.police.uk) Lancashire Constabulary – Kellet & Borwick. Contact your local neighbourhood team PC3573 Rob Barnsley Community Beat Manager [morecambept@lancashire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:morecambept@lancashire.pnn.police.uk) or telephone 101 for non-emergencies.
5. **Finance**
  - a) S137 local charitable donation requests received from Children's Sports and Christmas Party Fund (Children's Party Committee). Cllrs agreed to donate £100 to each group.
  - b) CHEQUE G.Hodgson wages Jan/Feb/March £184.00 agreed by Cllrs.
  - c) CHEQUE G.Hodgson expenses April 2017 £189.80 (photocopying and stationery) agreed by Cllrs.
  - d) CHEQUE Post Office Ltd HMRC PAYE tax Jan/Feb/March £46.00 agreed by Cllrs.
  - e) Rent for Pounds at £12 each due for 2017, collected and banked.
6. **Planning**
  - f) 16/01502/FUL Erection of an agricultural workers dwelling for Mr & Mrs Martin Wilkinson, Snab Green, Snab Green Lane, Arkholme, LA6 1AR **Awaiting decision.**
  - g) 17/00003/FUL Erection of a single storey side and front extension for Mr & Mrs K. Adam, 6 Carus Park, Arkholme, LA6 1AY **Awaiting decision.**

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

## 7. **LALC**

- a) Dates of next meetings: 27<sup>th</sup> March venue tbc; 22<sup>nd</sup> May (+AGM) at Melling Institute.
  - b) Transparency Code for smaller authorities
8. **Lancaster City Council** Public Consultation on new Local Plan for the District from 27<sup>th</sup> January to 24<sup>th</sup> March. Drop in events held locally eg: Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March Hornby Institute 4 – 7 pm; Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March Lancaster Library 12.30 – 3.30 pm; Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March Lancaster House Hotel, Green Lane, LA1 4GJ 3 – 7pm. Clerk to complete the Consultation Response Form and forward Cllrs comments regarding Arkholme and South Carnforth, two local areas identified as unsustainable for development.

9. **Lancashire County Council** none this month
10. Clerks and Councils Direct newsletter March 2017 Issue 110
11. Lancashire Best Kept Village Entry – Cllrs propose NOT to enter this year.
12. Business introduced by Cllrs
  - a) Bank signatory – Cllr Gibson to repeat application.
  - b) E-ON announce price increase for festive illumination charge.
  - c) Lancashire & Merseyside County Training – Planning Workshop – 2 hour twilight workshop at Penwortham. No Cllrs propose to attend.
  - d) Lancashire County Council Consumer Alerts displayed on noticeboard.
  - e) Parishioners are reminded to be aware of their security around their properties.
  - f) Parishioners have reported their concerns about the safety of pedestrians and road users with regard to the scaffolding structure adjacent to the development on land south west of West House. Clerk to contact Planning Case Officer and Highways Department.

Date of next meeting **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2017 at 7.30pm** in Arkholme Village Hall