

WHITTINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL
Agenda for 11th April 2016
At Goosnargh Village Hall at 7.00pm

1 APOLOGIES

- 2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of the meeting on 14th March 2016.
The Chairman is required to sign the Minutes as a true record.

3 TO ACCEPT DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND TO CONSIDER ANY WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

Members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any personal / prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda. If the personal interest is a prejudicial interest or there is a disclosable pecuniary interest, then the individual member should not participate in a discussion or vote on the matter and must withdraw from the meeting and not seek to influence a decision unless a dispensation request has been submitted in writing.

4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The meeting may be adjourned at this point to listen to any representations from the public, police, or community groups wishing to bring matters to the attention of the Council. If individuals wish to speak on an Agenda item this is the time when it should be done. **This will be a time limited session up to 20 minutes** which can be extended at the discretion of the Chair.

NOTE: Matters requiring a Council decision or support must be included as a specific agenda item. This must be done 4 at least working days in advance of the meeting via the Clerk to the Council.

5 WEEKLY PLAY INSPECTIONS CUMERAGH VILLAGE / LENGTHSMAN

Under MIN 148, Members requested that the Clerk contact the litter community group to establish if they would be willing to inspect and litter pick Cumeragh play area on a weekly basis. They have advised that they do not cover The Square and it would be difficult to include in their usual routine. They have suggested contacting a resident on The Square. The Clerk has done this and has also contacted the CVRA.

Members are requested to consider the replies and alternative options which include considering whether there is enough work for a Parish Lengthsman or whether to continue with the City Council quote.

6 PLANNING APPLICATIONS BEFORE COUNCIL

The Parish Council is requested to consider planning applications and make representations to the City Council. Details of the applications will be available at the meeting and can be viewed on www.preston.gov.uk

06/2016/0200 Conversion of barn into 3no dwellings and erection of 3no garage block following demolition of existing farm buildings (re-submission of planning application 06/2014/0813) Chingle House Farm Whittingham Lane Broughton Preston

06/2016/0207 Reserved matters application of erection of agricultural workers dwelling Land off (Grid Ref 575370) Wayside Back Lane Whittingham Preston

06/2016/0215 Replacement illuminated and non-illuminated signs to rear of building The Stags Head 990 Whittingham Lane Broughton Preston

06/2015/0231 Erection of car port to annexe Camforth Hall Barn Camforth Hall Lane Goosnargh Preston

7 FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2015 / 2016

The Chairman is requested to check the statement of accounts against the bank statements for the end of March.

8 2015 / 2016 ANNUAL RETURN

The Clerk will present the end of year financial report which will include the attached statement of balances and actions carried forward. **Members are requested to consider and approve Section 1 (Statement of Accounts) and Section 2 (Annual Governance Statement) of the Annual Return. Members are also required to authorise the signing of the document by the Chairman and the RFO.**

9 2016 / 2017 BUDGET AND FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

Following the completion of the 2015 / 2016 financial year, Members are reminded that there are several new projects in the budget to be completed this financial year including

- Repairs and maintenance to Cumeragh play area to include new plinths and top up of bark, information sign, repair of benches
- Installation of completed memorial – Nov 16
- Establishment of pension fund - Feb 17

Defibrillator - Following an emergency incident nearby, Cllr Lewis has been approached by a resident regarding the provision of a defibrillator in the village. A qualified resident has offered to provide training if one was provided. This would be an unbudgeted expenditure item which could be financed by a virement. **Members are requested to consider the principle of the idea.** If agreed, the Council will need to consider its location, security, battery / solar facilities, type / cost and operational instructions.

CIL MONIES

In addition, to the above budget items, Member have requested a quarterly summary of the CIL projects and an updated spreadsheet is attached.

Speeding – Members have previously considered speeding in the village but have not yet determined what action can be taken. Attention is drawn to the attached email from College & Moor Park PACT Forum which is proposing the purchase of a speed gun and the creation of a community speed awareness group. **Members are requested to consider whether speeding is a priority for CIL monies and if so, how the problem can be addressed and whether there is sufficient interest to seek volunteers as explained in the College and Moor Park initiative.**

10 OPEN SPACES SOCIETY

Members are requested to consider whether to renew membership to the Open Spaces Society at a cost of £45.00.

11 E-ON TERMS AND CONDITIONS

E-ON have advised that the Council is on a variable priced electricity plan and a fixed price plan may be cheaper. Fixed priced plans can be over a 1, 2, or 3yr term. The new plan must be agreed before the 15th April. **Members are requested to consider whether to alter the current arrangements.**

12 RENEWAL OF LALC MEMBERSHIP

The Parish Council subscribes to the Lancashire Association of Local Councils who provide training, advice and information on local and national policies. **Members are requested to consider renewing the Membership and contributing to the provision of an Area Secretary for the Area Committee.** The cost of the service is £335.58 a decrease of £47.65 as the subscription has been discounted by LALC and NALC.

13 TRAINING COURSES

The County Training Partnership is running a course on managing effective meetings which also includes looking at Standing Orders. The course will be held at LALC offices in Penwortham on 14th June between 7.00 and 9.00pm. The cost is £25 per attendee. **Members are requested to consider if they wish to attend.**

The County Training Partnership Spring Conference will be held at the Leyland Hotel, Junction 28 of the M6 motorway between 10.00 and 4.15. This is a free event.

Members are requested to consider if they wish to attend.

14 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Members are requested to approve the following accounts for payment

DETAILS	PAYEE	AMOUNT
April salary	Mrs J Buttle	£392.71
Tax / National Ins	HMRC	£92.90
Membership	Open Spaces Society	£45.00
Membership	LALC	£383.23

15 WHITTINGHAM HOSPITAL COMMUNITY FACILITIES BRIEF

Further to the update given by Cllr Lewis at the last meeting, Members are requested to NOTE that the March stakeholder meeting was deferred.

16 NOTE NEW CORRESPONDENCE

Members are requested to NOTE that LCC have issued some posters about a dementia awareness campaign. The posters are displayed in the notice boards.

Members may be requested to NOTE any new correspondence received since the issue of the Agenda.

17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be the Annual Council Meeting on **Monday 9th May 2016** which takes place after the Annual Parish Meeting.

Members are reminded that Council resolved that the Annual Parish Meeting will commence at **6.30pm** and invitations will be issued to community groups with the option for them to give a brief presentation on their activities and if applicable, to update the Council regarding any proposed grant or donation. **Members are asked to consider if there are any specific community groups they would like to invite.**