

## WHITTINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

An ordinary meeting of Whittingham Parish Council took place on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2018** at 7.15pm at Whittingham Sports & Social Club

### Members:

Cllr Alan Lewis - Chairman  
Cllr Dave Hall  
Cllr Stan Hunter  
Cllr Bernard Huggon  
Cllr Margaret Rigby

### Members of the public

Mrs Julie Buttle – Parish Clerk

**APOLOGIES** Cllr H Landless, Cllr A Meades, City Councillor L Smith.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of the meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> May 2018

**MIN 23** it was RESOLVED that the May Council Minutes be signed as a true record. Members NOTED the draft Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting.

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

**MIN 24** Cllr Hall and Cllr Rigby declared a personal interest in the Whittingham Road roadworks as it affects their properties and Cllr Huggon declared a personal interest in planning application **06/2018/0475** due to the proximity of his property.

### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public were present.

### PROPOSED ROADWORKS - WHITTINGHAM ROAD

Members were informed that there will be a temporary closure on the B5269 Whittingham Road, Whittingham, between the 21/07/2018 until 11/08/2018 to rectify the problems with the works that were carried out before Christmas.

**MIN 25** Members RESOLVED to respond to the notice of closure by stating that residents should be informed of the closures as early as possible and must be afforded full access to their homes. In addition to the road resurfacing, the schedule of works must make good the disturbed and damaged kerbs and undertake repairs to the drainage gullies and pavements. LCC are also requested to look at the manhole covers near the fire station which are extremely noisy when traffic passes and the lack of street lighting outside the entrance to the Prospect site. This remedial work should not be paid for by the tax payer. Concern is expressed that a three way traffic light control is currently in operation between the Alston Pub and Sainsbury's on Inglewhite Road. These works need to be completed or suspended before the TTRO comes into effect. In addition, an increasing number of vehicles are parking in and alongside the lay-by near the telephone box. Not only is this damaging the grass verge but it will cause an obstruction for traffic entering Halfpenny Lane whilst the works take place and additional 'no parking' signs will be required.

### PLANNING APPLICATIONS BEFORE COUNCIL

**Note** - Members are advised prior to the meeting that applications can be viewed at [www.preston.gov.uk](http://www.preston.gov.uk).

**06/2018/0475** 3no. dwellings and associated infrastructure at land off Whittingham Lane, Goosnargh, Preston.

Members noted that the application is in the open countryside. Members also note that the applicant considers the proposal to be an infill site, however due to the wide frontage with Whittingham Lane Members believe the proposal cannot be considered to be infill and any development along the frontage would create an illusion of ribbon development which would be detrimental to the residential character and amenity of the area making it contrary to Policy AD1 of the Adopted Local Plan.

Members are aware that where the development plan policies are considered to be out of date - there should be a presumption in favour of **sustainable** development – however, although the proposal is for 3 substantial dwellings likely to appeal to families needing to travel to work and educational facilities, the applicant has not submitted any evidence to demonstrate that the location is sustainable.

**MIN 26** Members RESOLVED to object to the application as it is located in the open countryside without adequate sustainable means of access to goods, services and employment areas making it contrary to Policy 1 of the Adopted Central Lancashire Core Strategy, Policy EN1 of the Adopted Preston Local Plan 2012-26 and National Planning Policy Framework.

**06/2018/0564** 5no. illuminated advertisements and 3no non-illuminated advertisements at the proposed Aldi Foodstore, Whittingham Road, Longridge. **MIN 27** Members noted that the signs were of a standard size and luminance and RESOLVED to leave to planning.

Members noted the receipt of reserved matters application **06/2018/0585** - for the erection of 83 dwellings with associated infrastructure and open space on land to the North of Whittingham Road – which was received after the agenda was published.

**MIN 28** Members RESOLVED to request an extension of time to allow the application to be considered in July.

**06/2018/0598** Erection of conservatory to side and rear of dwelling at 16 Beacon Drive. Members noted that the application extends along the side of the property but does not go up to the boundary. **MIN 29** Members RESOLVED to leave to planning.

### **CUMERAGH PLAY AREA – ANNUAL INSPECTION REPORT**

Members noted the annual inspection report for Cumeragh play area and noted that Playdale have provided written confirmation that an external chain support is not required for the swing. Members also noted that the roundabout is rotating freely and no problems have been reported with dog fouling or litter on the weekly inspection sheets.

**MIN 30** Members RESOLVED to approve the payment of the £72 inspection invoice and include a copy of Playdale's email regarding the chain support. CQ 1333

### **TELEPHONE KIOSK**

**MIN 31** Members RESOLVED to pay the £35 invoice for the lock repair CQ 1334 and RESOLVED to proceed with the quotes for repainting the Telephone Kiosk and replacing the 4 telephone signs.

### **FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

The Chairman confirmed that the accounts and bank statements had been reconciled.

### **ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

**MIN 32** Members noted payment of the Direct Debit for Easy websites and RESOLVED to approve the following accounts for payment

DETAILS	PAYEE	AMOUNT	CHEQUE
Play area ownership & usage sign	Lancs County Council	£211.69	CQ 1335
Data Protection registration	Information Commissioner	£35.00	CQ 1336
June salary	Mrs J Buttle	£430.12	CQ 1337
Tax / National Ins	HMRC	£107.40	CQ 1338

### **UPDATE ON CIL ITEMS**

Members NOTED the following updates on CIL items

**Circular walks** – Cllr Hall and Cllr Lewis will arrange to walk the routes and assess their condition prior to the new leaflets being produced. **Action agreed** – copies of the current leaflets and the inspection comments will be emailed by the Clerk.

**Speed cameras** – LCC replied that *a review of speed management activities is about to be undertaken with the police and this includes all aspects from speed enforcement, through use of SPID signs and dealing with complaints. One of the issues to be discussed is what types of permanent speed display signs will be allowed on the highway, which are the most effective and should they all have the smiling / frowning face display.* The email continues, *we have a number of requests at the moment similar to yours but can't progress anything until the discussions have been had and a policy put in place as to the way forward.*

**Action agreed** – clerk to ask for a progress report

**War Memorial surround** – The Clerk has contacted Mc Murray brothers to provide a suggestion on an enclosure / surround. **Action agreed** – Clerk to phone for a reply.

**Boundary signs** – LCC to agree to the installation of the signs at the suggested locations. **Action agreed** – Clerk to ask for a progress report

**Litter / dog bins** – M Taylor informed members of the delay at the April meeting.

**Action agreed** – Clerk to ask for a progress report

**Bus Service / Travel plans** – The Clerk has spoken to Mark Edwards at MODE Travel in association with the Travel Plan at the Mosses site. They are about to launch their second consultation to residents and will be in touch to see if we can work in partnership to encourage Stagecoach to increase the number of routes.

There is still no progress with the appointment of a Travel Plan co-ordinator for the Taylor Wimpey site which is with LCC & PCC. **Action agreed** – Clerk to contact PCC to ask why S106 is not being adhered to.

**Allotments** – if the Whittingham Hospital site planning application is resubmitted, a note is on file to ensure the revised application includes allotment provision. A GDPR email has been sent to residents who have previously expressed an interest in an allotment.

### **NEWSLETTER**

Members suggested that in addition to the end of year Finance and Chairman's reports, the next newsletter should include an update on the hospital site including reference to the forthcoming consultation, an update on Holmefell and information about the roadworks at Whittingham Road.

### **NOTE NEW CORRESPONDENCE**

Members were informed that various boreholes have been noticed at the former hospital site and following a conversation with Homes England, it was confirmed that these are in connection with soil and gas samples. During the conversation it was stated that Homes England are planning a consultation event on the revised development proposals week commencing 9<sup>th</sup> July. No further details are available and the matter will be followed up by the Chairman due to the Clerk's holiday.

Members noted that internal alterations are planned to Goosnargh Post Office. A reply will be sent stating the importance of the Post Office and thanking them for the investment.

### **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2018 at 7.15pm.**