



**WHITTINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE**  
**MEETING HELD**  
**ON 10 September 2026 AT**  
**GOOSNARGH VILLAGE HALL**

**PRESENT**

Cllr Michelle Woodburn – Chair  
Cllr Anthony Eccles – Vice Chair  
Cllr Martin Carefoot  
Cllr Lauren Chattein

Mr Mike Thorpe – Parish Clerk

PCSO Sofia Canales  
PCSO Ollie Swinscoe  
Annalee Blunt – Together Goosnargh & Whittingham  
Jorinde Dodd – Together Goosnargh & Whittingham

**26/27.74 APOLOGIES**

It was noted that Councillor Clarke has apologised for her absence.

**26/27.75 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

**Resolved** - That the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 9 July 2026 be signed as a true and correct record.

**26/27.76 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND TO CONSIDER ANY WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

| Parish Councillor   | Minute Number | Declaration                                                                                               |
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| Councillor Chattein | 26/27.79      | A Personal Interest in 'Together Goosnargh & Whittingham' group insofar as she is a member of that group. |

**26/27.77 VACANCY FOR PARISH COUNCILLOR**

The clerk reported that following the resignation of a Councillor for the Higher Ward of the Parish the vacancy has been publicly advertised in accordance with statutory regulations.

**26/27.78 GOOSNARGH & WHITTINGHAM UNITED CHARITY – TRUSTEE**

**Resolved** – That Councillor Woodburn be appointed trustee of the Goosnargh & Whittingham United Charity as a representative of the Parish Council.

**26/27.79 TOGETHER GOOSNARGH & WHITTINGHAM – DONATION**

**Resolved** – That a donation of £3500 be made from Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) monies to the Together Goosnargh & Whittingham group.

**26/27.80 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

PCSO Sofia Canales reported on crime statistics for the area.

- 26/27.81 PARISH CLERK'S REPORT**  
The Clerk submitted a report on various matters that had been brought to his attention since the last meeting.
- Resolved** - (i) that the report be noted;
- (ii) that approval is given to the payment of £100 for the Chair and a guest attending the Longridge Mayoral Ball to be held at Longridge Golf Club on 10 October 2026.
- 26/27.82 GOOSNARGH VILLAGE GREEN – REPLACEMENT CHILDREN'S PLAY EQUIPMENT**  
The Council considered quotes from suppliers of children's play equipment which had been provided by Preston City Council.
- Resolved** – (i) That the Council supports the City Council's preferred supplier, Wicksteed Limited.
- (ii) that approval is given for a donation of £76,000 from CIL monies towards the purchase of replacement Children's play equipment at Goosnargh Village Green.
- 26/27.83 GOOSNARGH VILLAGE GREEN – FOOTBALL GOALPOSTS**  
It was reported that the football goalposts on Goosnargh Village Green had been damaged beyond repair. It was also reported that Longridge Town FC had agreed to mark out the football pitch.
- Resolved** – That consideration be given to the replacement of the goalposts at a future meeting when options can be presented.
- 26/27.84 LAND AT TANSY ROAD**  
The Council considered a proposal to purchase an area of land on Tansy Road close to its junction with Cumeragh Lane to provide a community garden or extension to the proposed woodland walk.
- Resolved** - That the Vice Chair be authorized to enter negotiations with Homes England for the purchase of land at Tansy Road to be financed from CIL monies.
- 26/27.85 GREEN NOOK LANE, WHITTINGHAM**  
The Council considered reports of anti-social behaviour including excessive dog fouling at Green Nook Lane.
- Resolved** – That the reports be noted.
- 26/27.86 WHITTINGHAM LANE/CHURCH LANE – PARISH BENCHES**  
The Council considered the provision of seating benches adjacent to the parade of shops adjacent to Whittingham Lane/Church Lane junction.
- Resolved** – That approval is given to the purchase of two benches adjacent to the parade of shops at the junction of Whittingham Lane and Church Lane to be met from CIL monies.
- 26/27.87 PARISH PLAN**  
**Resolved** – That a review of the plan be undertaken in 2027.
- 26/27.88 COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL) – UPDATE**  
**Resolved** – That consideration be deferred until the next meeting.
- 26/27.89 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
The clerk presented the following statements to the Council:

- Bank reconciliation statements - 31 August 2026.
- List of payments in July and August 2026.
- List of receipts in July and August 2026.
- Summary of expenditure and income from April to August 2026.

**Resolved** – That the reports be noted.

## **26/27.90 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Council considered the following planning applications as part of the consultation process by Preston City Council:

**a)** Application No. 06/2026/0621 – **Daniel Platt Farm, Whittingham Road, PR3 2AB** – Double garage and workshop building with first floor mezzanine, following demolition of existing garage.

**b)** Application 06/2026/0702 – **Back Lane Farm, Back Lane, PR3 2FH** - Erection of 2no. dwellings following demolition of 2no. agricultural buildings (pursuant to planning permission 06/2024/1120 to seek variation of condition no.1 (Approved Plans)).

**c)** Application No. 06/2026/0704 – **2 Cameron Avenue, Preston, PR3 2LR** – single story side extension.

**d)** Application No. 06/2026/0679 – **Land to the south of Goosnargh Lane, PR3 2JU** - Stage 2 Technical Detail Consent for 4no. self-build dwellings and detached garages to plots 1 and 2 with associated external works including: the widening of the existing access; and provision of 2m wide footpath fronting Goosnargh Lane following the grant of Stage 1 permission in principle 06/2025/0184.

**e)** Application No. 06/2026/0604 – **Harrison's Farm, Brabiner Lane, PR3 2JD** - Single storey extension to side and single storey link extension to front and side.

**f)** Application No. 06/2026/0760 - **Lower Green Nook, Green Nook Lane, PR3 2JA** - Single storey side extension to existing garage.

**Resolved** – That no comments be made.

## **26/27.91 PARISH NEWSLETTER**

The Council considered the format and distribution arrangements in respect of the summer edition of the parish newsletter.

**Resolved** – (i) That the autumn/winter edition of the parish newsletter be increased from size A5 to A4.

(ii) that the clerk investigates alleged distribution issues with the supplier of this service.

## **26/27.92 CO-OPTION OF PARISH COUNCILLOR**

**Resolved** – That Terry Witter be co-opted as a Parish Councillor for the Lower Ward of the Parish Council of Whittingham.

## **26/27.93 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was noted that the next meeting is be held on Thursday 8 October 2026 at Goosnargh Village Hall commencing at 7.15pm.