



WHITTINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL
Agenda for Thursday 10th June 2021 at 7.15pm
in Goosnargh Village Hall – downstairs

ALL attendees MUST refer to the Covid Method Statement before attending
<https://www.whittinghamparishcouncil.org.uk/other-documents.php>

1. APOLOGIES

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 4th MAY 2021.

The Chairman is required to sign the Minutes of the Meeting as a true record.

Members are requested to NOTE the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting which will be approved in May 2022.

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

Members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any interests in respect of matters contained in the agenda. A Councillor with a disclosable pecuniary interest or any other interest, as set out in the Council's Code of Conduct, is subject to statutory restrictions on his right to participate and vote on that matter – see Standing Order 2020 (13)

4. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

Members are requested to elect a Vice-Chairman for the next 12 months OR confirm that the role will be appointed as and when the need arises.

5. APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES

At the May Annual Council meeting, Members resolved to defer the appointment of representatives to outside bodies as not all Members were present. **Members are requested to consider and confirm the vacancies not filled at the May Council meeting**

- **Whittingham Hospital Stakeholders Group** - Cllr T Brooks + (emails via the Clerk)
- **Preston Area Committee** – 3 Members (Cllr Hall, the Clerk or Cllr Huggon)
- **Trustee to Goosnargh Village Hall** – Appointment deferred until June 2021
- **Trustee to G & W United Charity** – Appointment deferred until June 2021
- **Trustee to G & W Heritage Group** – Cllr B Clarke (to be confirmed)

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members of the public wishing to raise matters in accordance with Standing Order 2020 (3g & h), should raise them here. **In accordance with the Covid Risk Assessments, attendees are requested to inform the Clerk of their intention to attend and participate at the meeting.**

NOTE: The Council cannot make a decision or support a scheme unless the matter has been included on the agenda.

- PCSO Anyon will be attending the meeting to give an update on police incidents.

7. PLANNING APPEALS / 5 YEAR SUPPLY UPDATE

Members are requested to NOTE that the Secretary of State has declined to intervene in any decision regarding the Goosnargh Village appeals. Consequently, the Planning Inspector's decision will be final. The High Court challenge into the Cardwell Farm application (Barton) remains critical regarding how the 5-year supply is assessed but to date, there has been no update regarding the City Council's legal challenge.

8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS - CONSIDERED UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

To reduce the time spent in meetings post Covid, the Clerk is dealing with routine planning matters under delegated authority in accordance with Standing Order 2020 (15 xiv).

Members are requested to NOTE the delegated representations submitted in May.

An appeal has been lodged against the refusal of an outline application **06/2018/0732** for 111 dwellings at land to the rear of 126A Whittingham Lane, Broughton and a revised application **06/2021/0405** has been submitted. As the site was initially considered with the Goosnargh Village applications, **Members are requested to confirm the action needed.**

The site lies on the Whittingham / Broughton boundary and the application has been re-submitted with 2 options. Option A proposes housing in both parishes, with an area of public open space to the south of a previously approved application and Option B puts all the housing in Whittingham and all the public open space in Broughton – to help the proposal comply with Broughton’s Neighbourhood Plan.

The Clerk has submitted an objection stating that applications should be determined against ALL of the relevant Policies and given that the City Council has already determined that the development is contrary to Policy 1 of the Core Strategy and Policy EN1 of the Local Plan – and has robustly defended the Policies in relation to the Goosnargh Village applications - it should adopt the same stance in relation to this application, regardless of whether the housing can be arranged to meet the needs of Broughton’s Neighbourhood Plan.

The application is likely to go to Planning Committee in the near future and **Members are requested to consider if a speech should be presented to the Planning Committee** especially as Broughton Parish Council have stated they have no objection to Option B.

9. UPDATE TO BANK SIGNATORIES AND ONLINE BANKING

Following the elections, **Members are requested to confirm alterations to the Co-Op bank mandate to include the addition of Cllr Brooks.** Members are also requested to activate their online security tokens by arranging a meeting with the Clerk. In addition, **Members are requested to update the CCLA instructions to reflect a change in signatories.**

10. FINANCIAL STATEMENT 1st – 31st May 2021

The Chairman is requested to verify that the finance and bank statements are reconciled noting that the Parish Precept was received on the 12th May.

11. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AND RECEIPTS

Members are requested to sign a mandate to pay the Data Protection fee by direct debit as this will reduce the payment from £40 to £35.00.

Members are requested to approve the following accounts for payment

DETAILS	PAYEE	AMOUNT	METHOD
E-On bill	E-On	£12.79	DD
Greenspace contribution	Preston City Council	£990.00	BACs
Clerk Salary June 2021	J Buttle	£551.07	BACs
Tax / National Insurance	HMRC	£137.60	CQ 1505
SPID inspection and repair	Traffic Technology	£375.00	BACs

12. CIL UPDATES

Under MIN 21/14, Members RESOLVED that the Clerk approach Wicksteed to top the bark up in Cumeragh play area as per their initial inspection report. Wicksteed have stated it will be 6 weeks before they can commence the work. **Members are requested to consider ordering bulk bags of play bark which can be spread by volunteers.**

Under MIN 21/15 Members RESOLVED to arrange for an engineer from Traffic Technology to attend the site and repair the SPID at a cost of £625. The Clerk contacted Traffic Technology to request the visit but stated the price was excessive given that we had purchased 3 devices. Members are requested to NOTE that a revised cost of £375 was negotiated and the device was inspected and repaired on the 3rd June.

The Clerk has contacted Seddons regarding the installation of the benches on the Village Green. The delay is partly due to the standard fixings not being ‘tall enough’ to secure the benches into the ground. As the Council may need to purchase different fixings, **Members are requested to delegate the cost of additional fixings to the Clerk.**

The 2 walks – Cumeragh Canter and Pudding Pie Nook Lane - have been completed and the accompanying scripts have been updated. The walk maps can either be displayed in a lectern or vertical frame which can be aluminium, wooden or recycled plastic – see PDF examples. **Members are requested to confirm the style and colour of the sign,** and whether they wish to erect a combined sign for both walks which can be started from Goosnargh Village Green bus shelter. **Members are also requested to confirm if leaflets should be produced and if so, how many** - bearing in mind a PDF of the leaflet will be available from our website. Once the above information is confirmed, more accurate quotes can be obtained.

13. TREES

The Woodland Trust has launched a campaign for communities to plant more trees to help the UK reach its 2050 carbon net-zero target. Various packs can be provided for planting in November 2021. Details of the tree packs available can be viewed on this link <https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/plant-trees/schools-and-communities>

The Parish Council maintains land at Cumeragh Village and Beacon Drive and could approach the City Council regarding the land next to the tennis courts on the Village Green. **Members are requested to consider if any trees should be acquired, where they can be planted and how they will be maintained.**

14. NEWSLETTER

Members are requested to consider and approve the draft of the Summer Newsletter and advise if it should be delivered now or if it should be delayed until the outcome of the planning appeals is known.

15. NOTE NEW CORRESPONDENCE

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

16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Thursday 8th July 2021 at 7.15pm - down stairs in Goosnargh Village Hall - subject to any revisions to Covid regulations.

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