

## WHITTINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

An ordinary meeting of Whittingham Parish Council took place on **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2019** at 7.15pm at Whittingham Sports & Social Club

### Members:

Cllr Dave Hall - Chairman  
Cllr Bernard Huggon  
Cllr A Meades  
Cllr Margaret Rigby

### Members of the public

L King – Heritage Group  
Cllr R Woollam – Preston City Council  
Mrs Julie Buttle – Parish Clerk

**APOLOGIES** – None. All Members were present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

**MIN 19/29** it was RESOLVED that the May Parish Council Minutes be signed as a true record. Members NOTED the draft Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting which will be approved in May 2020.

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

There were no declarations of interests.

### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

**MIN 19/30** It was RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned for public participation.

It was confirmed that whilst the Parish Council vacancies have currently been advertised in the Notice Boards and on the Goosnargh & Whittingham Against Overdevelopment Facebook page, MIN 19/03 confirms that they will be advertised in the Parish Newsletter. There are no restrictions on residents promoting the vacancies verbally or on other local Facebook pages, but any applications must be submitted in writing to the Clerk.

Concern was expressed that the No. 4 bus which goes through the Whittingham area is being targeted in the latest bus strikes. Cllr Woollam stated he would raise the matter with County Cllr G Wilkins.

Cllr Woollam repeated his pledge to work closely with the Parish Council and stated that if we email him with any local concerns, he will follow them up. He was asked if he had made the same pledge to Goosnargh Parish Council as they don't appear to have a website and their meeting dates are not advertised. The Clerk stated that as Goosnargh is in Preston Rural North and as Cllr Woollam and Whittingham are in Preston Rural East, concerns should be sent to the Preston Rural North Councillors.

The Heritage Group will be holding a funding celebration evening on the 15<sup>th</sup> July to which Members of the Parish Council were invited to attend.

It was RESOLVED that the meeting be reconvened.

### CO- OPTION

As no written applications have been received for the 3 vacancies on Lower Ward, the vacancies will be advertised in the June Newsletter as agreed under MIN 19/03.

### PLANNING CONCERNS

#### a) Motion of No Confidence

Members NOTED that the City Council will meet Members to discuss the concerns in the Motion of No Confidence on Tues 25<sup>th</sup> June. **MIN 19/31** Members RESOLVED to hold a meeting on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June to set an Agenda for the meeting.

#### b) Holme Fell – Community Charter

Members NOTED that as Goosnargh Parish Council have no objections to Whittingham monitoring the Holme Fell development, the Clerk has contacted Contour Homes regarding the Community Charter and they have agreed to attend a meeting.

**MIN 19/32** As the Charter was questioned by Members of Goosnargh Residents Action Group, Members RESOLVED to invite 2 members of GRAG to the meeting. The Clerk will arrange a convenient day, time and venue.

#### c) Whittingham Hospital Application

Further to MIN 19/16 The Clerk confirmed that she has spoken to the planning officer regarding the possibility of a meeting to discuss the hospital site application.

**MIN 19/33** As a date and time has not yet been agreed, it was RESOLVED that the Clerk circulate the details by email.

Members confirmed that whilst they require some clarity regarding whether the S106 Agreements will be transferred to the new application following the introduction of CIL, they also wish to know more about CIL in relation to other development.

The Clerk explained that since 2014, the City Council has received £8.6m in CIL monies with £6.5m being passed to LCC to action the infrastructure items specified on the Regulation 123 list detailed in the Core Strategy. Of the remaining balance, the City Council has retained some for administration purposes and approx. £650k has been distributed to the Parish Councils - with Whittingham's share being £158,555.

Members wished to know of the £8.6m CIL monies received by the City Council, how much has been generated by development in Whittingham and of the £6.5m passed to LCC, is there any transparency to ensure the £6.5m is spent within the Preston area and if so, what is the current expenditure on the items on the Regulation 123 list and what, if any, infrastructure has been delivered in the areas where development occurred? **MIN 19/34** Members RESOLVED that the Clerk raise this with Cllr Woollam.

### **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)

**06/2019/0465** Outline planning application for 9 dwellings (access applied for only) on land at the former allotments on Whittingham Road, Longridge.

Members have opposed similar applications in this location as they do not consider the area to be sustainable and it is not allocated for development in the Local Plan. However, with regards to the specifics of this application, the application is partly on former tennis courts which may be classed as previously developed land and it is located between Cronebirch House and residential properties on Inglewhite Road / Trent Street which may make it an infill plot. If Members are minded to oppose the application, the Clerk advised that the strongest objection may be the loss of the allotments as the photographs in the Ecological Appraisal suggest that the allotments were still being used in January 2018.

Members stated that the allotments have been there for a long time and only closed when the holders were issued with a notice to leave the site pending the planning application and it was queried if this was acceptable. **MIN 19/35** Members RESOLVED to object to the loss of amenity land particularly when the Parish Council has evidence of a demand for allotments. Concerns were also expressed regarding the additional traffic and the likely demand for health services such as a dentist and GP. Notwithstanding the objections, if the proposal is approved, Members request that the tree lined frontage to the site is preserved.

**06/2019/0547** 2 storey side extension at 1 Keepers Chase. **MIN 19/36** Members noted that the site is a corner plot and RESOLVED that they had no objections to the proposal.

**06/2018/1212** An appeal has been lodged against the refusal of 2 dwellings on land adjoining Meadowcroft Cottage at 273 Whittingham Lane, Broughton.

The Parish Council objected to the application and it is understood the City Council will forward the comments to the Inspector. **MIN 19/37** Members RESOLVED to submit a representation to the Inspector confirming that the Parish Council supports the refusal.

**MIN 19/38** The following applications were received after the Agenda had been published and it was RESOLVED that the Clerk would make representation under delegated authority.

**06/2019/0670** Permission in principle for up to 6 dwellings on land opposite Gleafield, Cumeragh Lane. Object using the same reasons given for 06/2018/1173 plus the site is located to the west of the built-up area around Halfpenny Lane and will be further away from the amenities in Longridge.

**06/2019/0169** 164 dwellings at Inglewhite Road. Outline approval was given for 190 homes but the developer wished to revise the layout due to problems with a water main. 58 homes in the original scheme were unaltered and the developer submitted an application for 163 homes taking the total to 221. Modifications have been carried out to the site to accommodate bin changes and different house types and there will be a net increase of 1 dwelling. No further comments to be added to the original representation.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Chairman confirmed that the accounts and bank statements reconciled.

## ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

**MIN 19/39** Members RESOLVED to approve the following accounts for payment

DETAILS	PAYEE	AMOUNT	CHEQUE
Grounds Maintenance - Oct	Envirocare	£288.00	CQ 1411
June salary	Mrs J Buttle	£536.24	CQ 1412
Tax / National Ins	HMRC	£134.00	CQ 1413
S 137 Donation	Trinity Methodist Church	£200.00	CQ 1414
Grounds Maintenance May	Envirocare	£612.00	CQ 1415
Parish Walk survey	B Hill	£375.00	CQ 1416

## UPDATE ON CIL ITEMS

**Parish walks** - Woodplumpton's Parish Lengthsman has completed his assessment of all the walks which has taken 30hours. An invoice has been submitted for £375.

**MIN 19/40** Members RESOLVED to approve the payment as a CIL expense.

**Speed cameras** – The Network Management Highway Engineer has inspected the proposed locations for the SPIDs and the Clerk is in the process of contacting affected residents and the landowner.

**Village Green signs** – PCC have been reminded of our request regarding by-laws and the introduction of new signs on Goosnargh Village Green.

## NOTE NEW CORRESPONDENCE

Members NOTED that Longridge's Neighbourhood Plan has been adopted.

## DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2019 at 7.15pm.**