#### **Community Infrastructure Levy.**

When new development is approved in the Parish, the City Council collects a Community Infrastructure Levy from the developers and passes 15% of the Levy to the Parish Council.

The Parish Council is working through a list of expenditure suggestions put forward by residents. These are detailed in the CIL Business Plan on our website under Documents / Governance www.whittinghamparishcouncil.org.uk

Members were happy to support local community groups by providing new benches for Whittingham Bowling Club and new floodlights for Goosnargh Tennis Club. New benches were also provided at the Cemetery at St John's Church, Whittingham Park.



The Parish Council considers the Village Hall to be an important community asset and Members were pleased to **finance a new roof** which will make the building warmer and more attractive to hirers. If you want to hire the building for a family gathering or children's party, please contact Helen Rossall on **01772 865157** 

Members are also pleased to be working in partnership with the Scouts and Tennis Club to provide a **replacement community facility** suitable for each organisation. Discussions are currently taking place with the City Council regarding the design of the proposed building.

Discussions are also taking place with the City Council estates section to obtain a grounds maintenance licence to allow the Parish Council to **reinstate and maintain the former football pitch** on the Village Green. The marked pitch will have permanent goal posts and will be suitable for 5 - 7 aside, providing a much needed facility for local children to enjoy in the summer months.

Members are also hoping to support **Longridge Town FC** in purchasing some new floodlights to improve their facility on Inglewhite Road.

The inspection of the **Public Rights of Way** has been completed and new signs and leaflets advertising 2 parish walks will be available in time to enjoy them in the summer.

The Parish Council is keen to hear of any new ideas to improve the Parish using the CIL monies, so if you have any suggestions please email the Parish Clerk at **wparishclerk@gmail.com** who will advise if the idea meets the CIL expenditure criteria.

#### **Speeding Traffic**

The Parish Council continues to work with Lancashire County Council, the Police and the Road Safety Partnership to reduce the number of speeding incidents and ensure **the mobile police enforcement camera** remains active in the area.

Community Road Watch involves police working together with local communities at sites where people are concerned about road safety. Volunteers, trained by the police, work with local officers to monitor and record drivers exceeding the speed limit. Action taken as a result of Community Road Watch might include warning letters or police visits to motorists. If you have concerns about speeding traffic, please contact the Clerk so we can work in partnership with the police to set up a local community road watch group.

#### **Love Clean Streets**

Highway concerns including **pot holes** and broken **street lights** can be reported directly to Lancashire County Council. If you have a smartphone, you can report issues and send photos with GPS location using LCC's **Love Clean Streets App.** To read more about the app click on the link or visit the news page on our website.

#### **Goosnargh in Bloom**

The Parish Council has enhanced its maintenance contract with Nurture (formerly Barton Grange) and we aim to use their services to improve the appearance of the parish. In addition we have been approached by a local resident who would like to put the Parish on the map for Goosnargh in Bloom. If you have green fingers and would like to get involved, please contact the Parish Clerk who will forward your contact details.

#### **Parish Plan**

The Parish Councillors have assessed the consultation replies and are now in the process of adding actions and dates to the Plan to ensure it becomes embedded in the decision making processes. It is hoped the final document will be ready for viewing in the Summer.

# **St Mary's Church Services**

Residents are invited to attend the following Church services

Mothering Sunday 19th March at 10.30

Palm Sunday 2nd April at 10.15

Maundy Thursday 6th April at 7.00pm

Good Friday 7th April at 2.00 pm

Easter Sunday 9th April at 10.30 am

For more details please contact St Mary's Church 07483 805110

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# WHITTINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER SPRING 2023

Welcome to the Spring edition of the Parish Council Newsletter updating residents on matters in the Whittingham Parish Council area.

#### **2023 Parish Council Elections**

Parish Councillors are elected for a 4 year term, and on the **4th May 2023** all the seats on Whittingham Parish Council are eligible for election. For more details on the Parish Councillor role, please contact the Parish Clerk or attend a Parish Council meeting.

Existing Councillors and members of the public may stand for election, provided they are at least 18 years old and are a British citizen, an eligible Commonwealth citizen or a citizen of any other member state of the European Union.



Applicants must meet at least **one** of the following qualifications:

- you are and will continue to be, registered as a local government elector in Whittingham Parish. If you are not on the electoral register, you can apply online at <u>GOV.UK - Register to vote</u>.
- you have occupied as owner or tenant, any land or other premises in Whittingham Parish during the whole of the preceding 12 months
- your main or only place of work during the 12 months has been in Whittingham Parish
- you have lived in Whittingham Parish, or within three miles of it, during the whole of the 12 preceding months.

If you wish to stand as a candidate, please contact Preston City Council Electoral Services 01772 906482 for a nomination pack which must be returned to the City Council between the **27th March** and **4th April 2023 before 4.00pm.** You must call the City Council first to collect and return the packs.

The Annual Parish Council meeting will be held on Thurs 11th May at 7.15pm in Goosnargh Village Hall. At this meeting, newly elected Councillors will be required to agree to the Code of Conduct and sign a Declaration of Office for the next 4 years. The Council will also confirm the administrative policies and procedures for the forthcoming year.

On the same evening at **6.30pm**, there will be an **Annual Parish meeting** which will recap on the Council's activities during 2022/23.