

# WHALLEY PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2017 at 7.30pm in the Old Grammar School, Whalley.

Present: Councillor M Highton (Chair)  
Councillor L Rimmer  
Councillor J Brown  
Councillor M Fallon  
Councillor C Ball  
Councillor S Barker  
Councillor D Sleight  
Councillor M Reid

Apologies:

Members of the public – 7

In Attendance: F Holland – Clerk to Whalley Parish Council

## 1070/17 to receive declaration of interests

No Declarations of interests were received.

## 1071/17 to approve as correct the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2017

It was resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2017 be approved as a correct record of the meeting.

## 1072/17 to adjourn the meeting for a period of public discussion (information only)

Mr Ronnan complimented the Trustees of the Old Grammar School for their endeavours in helping to secure the future of the OGS. With respect to Item 8 he clarified that should the Trustees secure an application for funds from the Carbon Trust this would be in respect to the boiler only, not the total refurbishment project.

## 1073/17 to receive minutes of other Committees

The minutes of the Planning Committee meetings of the 19<sup>th</sup> January 2017 and Whalley, Wiswell and Barrow Joint Burial Committee Meeting Minutes of 9 December 2016 were presented to the meeting.

## 1074/17 to receive reports of Councillors from other committees (information only)

Cllr Fallon informed the meeting that a “Clean up” of the Burial Ground will take place on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017. He asked that a report be sent to LCC regarding a hole in the road adjacent to the Toby Jug on King St.

Cllr Ball reported that the Church Yard committee has awarded a contract for wall repair and refurbishment of a gate to Lambert Walker following re-tendering of the project. A damaged flag on the path between the church yard and the school has been reported to LCC.

Cllr Brown met with Inspector Goodall of Lancashire Police and accompanied him around the Parish. She provided him with information and communicated residents concerns on policing issues. In addition Cllr Brown provided feedback on the works taking place on the drains/culvert on King St.

Cllr Rimmer highlighted the concerns of residents of George St especially the random nuisance car parking on the pavements which forces OAPs and parents pushing prams onto the road. She also noted that the LCC regular operation of cleaning drains has stopped.

Cllr Sleight stated that the notices advertising the impending cleanup at the Burial Ground have been damaged. He also noted that a green refuse bag is being used as an impromptu dog waste bin at the Tennis Court area of the QEII.

Cllr Highton reported back that at the Parish Councils Liaison Committee the dog wardens role and responsibilities had been explained; a campaign by Keep Britain Tidy has been set as 3-5 March 2017; on 11 November 2018 a commemoration of the end of World War 1 is to take place; BT are to respond to the Parish Councils protests at the proposed removal of pay phones

## 1075/17 to authorise the accounts for payments, receipts and balances for February 2017(enclosed)

It was resolved to accept the accounts for payments and receipts for January 2017. The clerk reported that income from RVBC Concurrent Fund and transfers from Skipton BS Holding account ensured sufficient funding for the monthly expenditure. He also explained that the Skiton BS amount had been wrongly transferred into the Parish Council QEII Development account. This mistake has been rectified.

**1076/17 to consider the request from the Trustees of the Old Grammar School for financial assistance (enclosed)**

It was resolved that Councillors in principle support the Trustees request for financial assistance. Consideration of the request is to be deferred subject to a satisfactory due diligence review.

**1077/17 to approve the transfer of the Joint Burial Ground to Whalley, Wiswell and Barrow Parish Councils**

It was resolved that the Chairman, a Parish Councillor and a witness sign the Land Registry document that transfers the Joint Burial Ground ownership to the three parish councils.

**1078/17 to consider issues regarding the distribution of the Parish Council Newsletter**

It was resolved that:

- a. The clerk will prepare an exemplar newsletter for new residents to the parish
- b. To invite a contractor to the next meeting to provide advice on up to date web design and operation

**1079/17 to receive the Clerks Report** (information only)

Additions to the Circulation Folder:

Whalley Wiswell and Barrow Joint Burial Committee Meeting Minutes of 9 December 2016

LCC – March Bus Leaflets

NHS – Re-designing Learning Disability Services in North West Consultation to end shortly

The appearance of offensive notices on the community Notice Board outside CJs

**1080/17 to receive Borough Councillors Report** (information only)

No RVBC Councillor was able to attend the meeting

**1081/17 to consider and approve the date of the next meeting of the Parish Council as Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

It was resolved that the date of the next meeting of the Parish Council as Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2017

The meeting closed at 9.44pm

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_