



WHALLEY PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 18th June at 7.30pm in the Old Grammar School, Whalley.

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

Apologies: Councillor C Ball
F Holland (Clerk)
Members of the public – 5

In Attendance: D Holland

848/15 to receive declaration of interests

No declaration of interests were received

849/15 to approve as correct the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 21st May 2015

Committee membership was amended as follows:

Village Hall committee Cllr Reid to replace Cllr Barker.

Cllr Rimmer to join Joint Burial Committee, Grounds and Gardens committee and Churchyard committee.

Cllr Fallon to join LALC Ribble Valley Committee

It was then resolved that the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 21st May 2015 be approved as a correct record of the meeting.

850/15 to approve as correct the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 21st May 2015

It was resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 21st May 2015 be approved as a correct record of the meeting.

851/15 to adjourn the meeting for a period of public discussion (information only)

Mr Ronnan reported that the new constitution for the OGS was in progress. As the Parish Council representative at the OGS he confirmed that he would report back relevant information.

Mrs Lamb alerted the meeting to ever worsening traffic problems and the lack of enforcement of traffic regulations Whalley and especially in George Street.

Mr Brown congratulated the Whalley Lions for their efforts in ensuring the village is well kept.

852/15 to receive minutes of other Committees

The minutes of the Church yard committee of 9th March and of the Planning Committee of the 21st May were received.

853/15 to receive reports of Councillors from other committees (information only)

Cllr Reid and Barker attended the Village Hall meeting

Cllr Brown reported from the WSC meeting that work is in progress and that a fund raising dance is due to be held. The Whalley in Bloom AGM recently took place and thanks were given to all volunteers. She has spoken to the dog warden regarding fouling in the village. The Grounds and Gardens meeting will be held on Thursday 25th June at 7.30 at the OGS.

Cllr Sleight confirmed that the new name of the burial committee is Whalley, Wiswell and Barrow Joint burial committee and he has recently been elected Chairman. Drainage work is on-going, a memorial check is to take place and trees will receive their annual check; Discussion is now taking place over the possibility of enlarging the burial ground after estimates suggest that there is only 10-15 years space for burials; the committee has confirmed that any faith can be buried at the cemetery.

He alerted councillors that panelling at Proctor's field was broken and the roof of the small slide needed attention.

Cllr Kent along with Cllrs Ball and Highton attended the churchyard committee. The excellent working relationship with the PCC to maintain the churchyard was evident; Lambert Walker have confirmed that work on the walls will commence in August; The Head teacher, RVBC Officers and the committee have been in communication regarding pruning of trees.

Cllr Kent, along with Cllrs Ball and Brown attended the Adam Cottam Trust meeting. This finally took place principally due to the energy and perseverance of Cllr Ball who was then duly elected Chairman. David Bowland provided a strategies for future developments and a number of policies are to be updated; Susan Earnshaw provided clarity with finances; the end Alms house has been empty for some time and is in need of renovation.

Cllr Kent gave feedback on the Whalley Neighbourhood plan. RVBC officers approved designation of the area and the next stage of public consultation can commence. An initial public consultation meeting is to take place on Wednesday 15th July at 7.30pm at the OGS.

854/15 to authorise the accounts for payments, receipts and balances for May 2015

It was resolved to accept the accounts for payments and receipts presented for May 2015

855/15 to authorise the signing by the parish council of the Deeds of Novation and Dedication subject to solicitors agreement

It was resolved that the Deeds of Dedication and Novation would be completed and forwarded to the parish solicitor for signing.

856/15 to agree to the recommended tender for drainage at the QEII playing fields and signing of contract subject to the completion of legal documents

It was resolved that the Parish Council agree to contract with J&R Alker SGC and TGMS Consultants to implement the installation of the football pitches draining project as detailed in the TGMS tender report subject to completion of legal documents.

857/15 to agree to the recommended tender for the MUGA at the QEII playing fields and signing of contract subject to the completion of legal documents

It was resolved that the Parish Council agree to contract with Wade Group and Community Building to implement the installation of the MUGA playing surface of the MUGA project.

858/15 to receive the Clerks Report (information only)

Additional information:

LCC – July Bus Changes Leaflet

859/15 to receive Borough Councillors Report (information only)

No Borough Councillors present due to other commitments

860/15 to consider and approve the date of the next meeting of the parish council as Thursday 16th July 2015

It was resolved that the next meeting of the parish council will take place on Thursday 16th July at 7.30pm at the Old Grammar School

The meeting closed at 9.05 pm

Signed: _____ Date: _____