



WHALLEY PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 21st May 2015 at 7.30pm in the Old Grammar School, Whalley.

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

Apologies: Councillor L Rimmer

Members of the public – 4

In Attendance: F Holland – Clerk to Whalley Parish Council

834/15 to receive declaration of interests

No declaration of interests were received

835/15 to approve as correct the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 16th April 2015

Cllr Barkers apologies for absence at the meeting had not been recorded. It was then resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 16th April 2015 be approved as a correct record of the meeting.

836/15 to approve as correct the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 30th April 2015

It was resolved that the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 30th April 2015 be approved as a correct record of the meeting.

837/15 to adjourn the meeting for a period of public discussion (information only)

Mr Brown reported problems of refuse lorries unable to access at the rear of King St due to attachments on the jewellers premises. He considered it may also impede the emergency services should they require access. He considered that the licensing of premises to sell alcohol until 2.30am in the centre Whalley, an area of

residential buildings was irresponsible and anti-social. He furthermore was dismayed at the total lack of presence of traffic wardens in Whalley. RVBC, LCC or the police would not take any responsibility to monitor the blatant disregard of traffic laws by irresponsible motorists.

Mr Bowles thanked the parish council for its interest and support in maintaining the railway station.

Mr White alerted the meeting to damage at the noticeboard on the station platform.

838/15 to receive minutes of other Committees

The minutes of the Planning Committee meetings of the 16th April 2015 were presented to the meeting

839/15 to receive reports of Councillors from other committees (information only)

Cllr Fallon expressed concern with the parking situation in Whalley and echoed Mr Browns observations.

Cllr Sleight noted that the Joint Burial Committee will meet on 5th June 2015. A clean up took place on 14th April

Cllr Ball will contact the former vicar to ensure the Adam Cottam Trustees meet soon. He alerted the meeting to the advance planning to commemorate the Queens birthday celebrations next year and agreed to co-ordinate the parish councils efforts.

Cllr Reid volunteered to fulfil a watching brief over Proctors Field

Cllr Brown informed the meeting of fly posting on Accrington Road

Cllr Kent noted that the RVBC consultation exercise for the proposed neighbourhood plan has raised no objections. The Church Yard committee is seeking advice from RVBC officers regarding pruning trees. The next meeting will be 8th June 2015.

Cllr Highton and Cllr Barker are to provide the deeds of novation and dedication for the next meeting regarding the QEII lease.

840/15 to authorise the accounts for payments, receipts and balances for April 2015

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

841/15 to receive the Internal Auditors Report

It was resolved to accept the Internal Auditors Report 2014/15

842/15 to consider, approve and authorise the Chairman and the RFO to sign Section 1 (Statement of Accounts) being part of the Annual Audit for the year ending 31st March 2015

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843/15 to consider, approve and authorise the Chairman and RFO to sign Section 2 (Annual Governance Statement) being part of the Annual Audit for the year ending 31st March 2015

It was resolved to authorise the Chairman and RFO to sign Section 2 (Annual Governance Statement) being part of the Annual Audit for the year ending 31st March 2015

844/15 to elect a councillor to sign cheques and act as a trustee for the Parish Council Nat West Account

It was resolved that authorised signatories in the current mandate for Whalley Parish Council be changed following the retirement of Cllr Ronnan. Cllr Stephen Barker will become an authorised signatory for the current mandate as amended.

845/15 to receive the Clerks Report (information only)

Additional information:

Whalley Hydro aspire to erect an information noticeboard by the Calder

846/15 to receive Borough Councillors Report (information only)

No Borough Councillors present due to other commitments

847/15 to consider and approve the date of the next meeting of the parish council as Thursday 18th June 2015

It was resolved that the next meeting of the parish council will take place on Thursday 18th June at 7.30pm at the Old Grammar School

The meeting closed at 8.40 pm

Signed: _____ Date: _____