# **ULNES WALTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES** of the Council Meeting held on 12 February 2018 in The Old School, Ulnes Walton Lane, Ulnes Walton commencing at 7.30 pm.

<u>Present</u> Councillors E Doran (Chairman), G Bird and J Dalton.

## 01/18 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors P Sloan and N Watkinson.

## 02/18 Declarations of Interests

None declared.

## 03/18 Councillor Vacancy

Given the limited number of Members in attendance, it was proposed the applications for cooption should be considered at the March meeting.

Resolved: the item was deferred until the next meeting.

## 04/18 Minutes of the Meeting held on 11 December 2017

Resolved: the Minutes (as circulated) were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Resolved: Standing Orders were suspended to allow members of the public to speak.

## 05/18 Public Participation

Mud on the pavement on Southport Road from a privately owned verge was reported.

An increase in the number of advertising boards on the fence opposite New Lane was mentioned.

Resolved: Standing Orders were restored.

#### 06/18 Planning Matters

No applications for consideration.

#### 07/18 Finance

#### i) <u>Monitoring Statement</u>

Resolved: the current Monitoring Statement was approved and signed by the Chairman.

#### ii) <u>Payments</u>

Resolved: the following payments were approved, the invoices having been inspected in accordance with fidelity guarantee requirements:

£	52.60	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE
£	209.97	Employee 1	Salary
£	25.00	Ulnes Walton Charitable Fund	Room hire
£	186.20	Eccleston Parish Council	Litter picking

## 08/18 Internal Audit

The annual review of the effectiveness of the internal audit was carried out.

Resolved: the current system of internal audit was found to be adequate.

The appointment of an Internal Auditor was discussed. The current auditor is no longer able to carry out the audit. The Clerk is to attempt to locate a replacement auditor.

## 09/18 Lancashire Best Kept Village Competition

Entry into the 2018 Competition was discussed. Due to the geographical nature of the village there was no proposal for entry.

#### 10/18 Electoral Review

A consultation from the Local Government Boundary Commission for England was considered. Councillors had no comments.

#### 11/18 Reports from Outside Bodies

Western Parishes Neighbourhood Area Meeting - several priorities were nominated however, as the Parish Council had not considered a priority as it did not meet in January, any proposals will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

#### 12/18 Date of Next Meeting

12 March 2018.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.