

ULNES WALTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Council Meeting held on 11 February 2019 in The Old School, Ulnes Walton Lane, Ulnes Walton commencing at 7.30 pm.

Present Councillors J Dalton (Chairman), G Bird, P Doddenhof, E Doran, and N Watkinson.

01/19 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr P Sloan.

02/19 Declarations of Interests

Cllr Dalton, as a member of Chorley Council's Development Control Committee, declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 5 (Planning Matters).

03/19 Minutes of the Meeting held on 10 December 2018

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.

04/19 Public Participation

Residents of Southport Road had requested assistance with issues caused by vehicles rolling across Southport Road from Gilsons, as a result of not having handbrakes applied correctly, causing substantial damage to their property. This has happened four times in recent years and there have been further incidents of vehicles rolling into the road but not striking the property. Lancashire County Council and the garage proprietor are to be contacted to see what action can be taken to alleviate the problem.

Resolved: Standing Orders were restored.

05/19 Planning Matters

18/01167/FULHH One and a half storey rear extension at Lostock Bridge Farm, Ulnes Walton Lane

18/01207/ADV Application for advertising consent to display non-illuminated signs including 2no. fascia signs, 4 no. hoarding signs and 3 no. freestanding signs at The Highfield, Southport Road

Councillors had no objections to these applications.

06/19 Finance

i) Monitoring Statement

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

ii) Payments

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

£ 25.00	Ulnes Walton Charitable Fund	Room hire
£ 238.75	Eccleston Parish Council	Litter picking
£ 53.60	HM Revenue and Customs	PAYE
£ 214.23	Employee 1	Salary

07/19 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.

08/19 Neighbourhood Priority

A priority for the Western Parishes Neighbourhood Area meeting may be submitted in time for the next meeting in July. Councillors will provide suggestions at the next Parish Council meeting.

09/19 Chorley Council Consultations

Consultations on the 2019-20 Budget and the Draft Statement of Community Involvement 2019 were considered. Councillors had no comments.

10/19 Lancashire Best Kept Village Competition

Entry into the 2019 Competition was discussed. Councillors offered the opinion that, due to the layout of the village and lack of buildings suitable for entry, there was little point in entering the competition this year and for the foreseeable future.

11/19 Reports from Outside Bodies

Western Parishes Neighbourhood Area Meeting - issues surrounding the lack of notice to discuss possible suggestions were reported. Priorities had been put forward by Croston and Eccleston on the night of the meeting. As the Parish Council had not met since December it had been agreed a priority could be submitted at the next meeting.

12/19 Date of Next Meeting

11 March 2019.

13/19 Exclusion of the Press and Public

Resolved: in accordance with Part 1 (3) of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, Members of the press and public were excluded for the consideration of the following item.

14/19 Personnel Matters

The Clerk's hourly rate was increased in accordance with the National Joint Council for Local Government Services 2019-2020 National Salary Award.

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