

## ULNES WALTON PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES** of the Council Meeting held on 13 June 2016 in the Old School, Ulnes Walton Lane, Ulnes Walton commencing at 7.30 pm.

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

Also present Borough Councillor D Dickinson and 2 members of the public.

The Chairman congratulated Borough Councillor Dickinson on her appointment as Mayor of Chorley.

### 48.16 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr D Todd.

### 49/16 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).

### 50/16 Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 9 May 2016

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.

### 51/16 Public Participation

Members of the public raised concerns regarding a planning application for the extension of the Royal Umpire caravan park. The concerns included the construction of hardstanding and location of caravans in the Green Belt, possible problems during construction with the delivery and operation of plant and machinery and the subsequent delivery of the caravans and the additional artificial light generated. The development may disturb wildlife as ponds are located in the vicinity and the associated run off from the hardstanding may add to flooding problems. Existing problems with noise from the site were reported and the residents mentioned the traffic survey had been carried out between 29 February and 3 March during the low season.

A tree from a property on Southport Road is obstructing the pavement.

Resolved: Standing Orders were restored.

### 52/16 Planning Matters

16/00451/FULMAJ Change of use of field to caravan park for the siting of 94 static holiday caravans and associated hard standings and access roads (accessed through existing caravan site) at Royal Umpire Caravan Park, Southport Road.

Resolved: an objection is to be submitted on the grounds of inappropriate development in the Green Belt, the impact of the scale of the development on the visual character of the landscape, traffic generation in the vicinity of a major junction, the potential for light and noise pollution, and drainage and /flooding issues.

### 53/16 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:

£ 51.60	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE
£ 205.80	A Platt	Salary
£ 91.50	Eccleston Parish Council	Litter picking

54/16 Annual Return for the Year Ended 31 March 2016

Councillors considered the report of the Internal Auditor. The report was noted.

55/16 Community Infrastructure Levy

An amount of almost £815 has been received in respect of a development. Information regarding the limitations on use of the levy was provided. An offer of support from Chorley Council to work with the Parish Council is to be taken up.

56/16 Lancashire County Council Delivery of Local Surveys

A consultation on delivery of local services was considered. Concerns were raised regarding the proposed reduction in services at Eccleston Library.

57/16 Chorley Liaison Meeting

Suggestions for agenda item had been requested. No items were suggested.

58/16 Exclusion of the Press and Public

Pursuant to section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, Councillors considered the exclusion of members of the press and public for the following item on the grounds that the item comprises information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person and, in accordance with Part 1 (3) of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, is exempt from public disclosure.

Resolved: 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.

59/16 Personnel Matters

The Clerk's hourly rate was reviewed in accordance with the National Joint Council for Local Government Services 2016-2018 National Salary Award.

60/15 Reports from Outside Bodies

Western Parishes Neighbourhood Area Meeting - little progress has been made in relation to the Southport Road traffic speed issues. A suggestion for residents to assist with speed guns was refused due to safety concerns. Lancashire County Council Officers reported a lack of road traffic accidents on the road and are evaluating traffic calming measures.

61/16 Date of Next Meeting

11 July 2016.

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