ULNES WALTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Council Meeting held on 11 March 2024 in The Old School, Ulnes Walton Lane, Ulnes Walton commencing at 7.00 pm.

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

11/24 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Doddenhof.

12/24 Declarations of Interests

None declared.

13/24 Minutes of the Meeting held on 12 February 2024

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

14/24 Residents Surgery

Increased drone activity in the vicinity of the prisons had been observed recently. This is believed to be connected with illicit deliveries and a recent event involving a drone colliding with power cables had caused a power cut to properties along Ulnes Walton Lane. It was mentioned residents had previously been provided with a contact number by the Police to report drones in the area.

Mud on the road surface along Ulnes Walton Lane from an agricultural site was reported.

15/24 Planning Matters

24/00151/FUL Erection of three buildings for agricultural use at Land 100m North East of Millers Barn, Ulnes Walton Lane

Councillors had no objections to this application.

24/00165/FUL Removal of a temporary agricultural workers static caravan and replace with permanent agricultural workers dwelling at Four Acres, Ulnes Walton Lane. Concerns regarding recent planning history for this site were raised namely the justifications provided for the two previous applications for the temporary caravan.

Resolved: an objection is to be submitted on the grounds of adverse impact on the openness of the Green belt.

The reopened Planning Inquiry for the Prison application is due to begin on 25 March 2024.

16/24 Finance

- i) Resolved: the Monitoring Statement was approved and signed by the Chairman.
- ii) Pending the opening of a new bank account, the following payments were approved:

£ 187.20 Eccleston PC Litter picking (December/January)

£ 679.12 Staff costs Salary and deductions (January/February)

17/24 Risk Assessment

Councillors completed the annual review of the risk assessment in accordance with guidance contained within the publication 'Joint Panel on Accountability and Governance Practitioners' Guide 2023'. The existing procedures and controls were found to be adequate.

Resolved: the adequacy of the existing controls was noted.

18/24 Reports from Outside Bodies

No reports.

19/24 Date of Next Meeting

Monday 8 April 2024.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting close