

## ULNES WALTON PARISH COUNCIL

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

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

### 90/24 Apologies for Absence

An apology was received from Councillor P Doddenhof. The reason for absence (medical grounds) was accepted.

### 91/24 Declarations of Interests

None declared.

### 92/24 Minutes of the Meeting held on 14 October 2024

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

### 93/24 Residents Surgery

A resident has reported manure being deposited along the Southport Road end of Ulnes Walton Lane. This had been reported to Lancashire County Council.

Road works at the junction of Southport Road and New Lane are causing serious congestion at peak times.

The unofficial 'No entry' signs at the Ulnes Walton Lane end of Holker Lane had been reported to Lancashire County Council.

### 94/24 Planning Matters

24/00922/PIP Permission in principle application for the erection of 1 no. dwelling at 17 Wray Crescent. It was noted this was a planning in principle application and concerns regarding parking provision may be raised during the full application process.

### 95/24 Finance

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

ii) Resolved: the following payments were approved:

£ 5.40	Unity Trust Bank	Service charge
£ 71.80	Eccleston PC	Litter picking
£ 679.12	Staff costs	Salary and deductions
£ 30.36	Easy Websites	Monthly fee

### 96/24 2025-26 Precept

Items for inclusion in the budget which will be presented for approval at the next meeting were discussed. A replacement notice board and wayside seats were suggested.

### 97/24 Litter Picking Contract

The litter picking service provided by Eccleston Parish Council was reviewed. The hourly rate for 2026-26 will increase in line with price indices.

Resolved: the contract is to continue for the 2025-26 financial year.

#### 98/24 Reports from Outside Bodies

Chorley Liaison - Lancashire County Council Officers provided details of availability of High School places and information was provided on sports and leisure facilities with the borough.

Lancashire County Council Parish and Town Council Conference - items included an update on Lancashire 2050/Devolution, information provided by the new Director of Highways and Transport and presentations by the Environment and Climate Head of Service and the Public Rights of Way Manager.

Lancashire Association of Local Councils Chorley Area Committee - the new Geographical Police Inspector for Chorley and South Ribble provided information on Police initiatives and a presentation was carried out regarding the Lancashire Best Kept Village Competition. An update and round up of LALC activities was provided.

#### 99/24 Date of Next Meeting

Monday 9 December 2024.

#### 100/24 Exclusion of the Press and Public

Pursuant to section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the exclusion of members of the press and public for the following item was considered on the grounds that the item comprises information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) 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.

#### 101/24 Personnel Matters

The Clerk's salary was increased in accordance with the National Joint Council for Local Government Services Pay Agreement 2024.

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