

ULNES WALTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Council Meeting held on 14 July 2025 in The Old School, Ulnes Walton Lane, Ulnes Walton commencing at 7.00 pm.

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

50/25 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr J Dalton.

The Clerk advised of the resignation of Councillor Dodenhoff.

51/25 Declarations of Interests

None declared.

52/25 Minutes of the Meeting held on 9 June 2025

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

53/25 Residents Surgery

Residents expressed concerns regarding a Planning in Principle application on Leyland Lane. The residents advised the development is on Green Belt land and would cause problems with surface water run-off and that, due to the lack of amenities in the area, the development was not sustainable.

54/25 Planning Matters

25/00455/FUL Erection of a Building for a Milk Vending Machine at Boys Farm, Leyland Lane

25/00456/ADV Application for advertisement consent for the display of two non-illuminated advertising boards (4ft x 3ft) situated adjacent to the hedgerow by the entrance to the site for advertising a milk cabin for tea, coffee and milkshakes at Boys Farm, Leyland Lane

25/00556/FUL Section 73 application to vary condition nos. 4 (approved plans) and 8 (demolition of existing buildings) of planning permission ref: 25/00124/FUL (Erection of 1no. dwelling (following demolition of garage and outbuildings) to alter windows and facing materials and to enable works to construct the approved dwelling to commence prior to the demolition of existing buildings at Round Bush, Holker Lane

25/00632/TPO Application for work to a protected tree – Chorley BC TPO 6 (Ulnes Walton) 1997: fell Oak T5

There were no objections to these applications.

25/00618/PIP Application for Permission in Principle for minimum of 4. No dwellings and maximum of 9no. dwellings at Land at Boys Farm, Leyland Lane

Resolved: an objection is to be submitted on grounds of inappropriate development within the Green Belt

55/25 Finance

- i) Resolved: the Monitoring Statement was approved and signed by the Chairman.
- ii) A request from Heskin Parish Council for a contribution towards the costs of opposition a planning application for the redevelopment of the Camelot Theme Park was considered. It was mentioned the Grants budget had been utilised in the campaign against the Third Prison at Wymott. There was no proposer for the request.

iii) Resolved: the following payments were approved:

£ 37.40	Eccleston Parish Council	Litter picking
£ 355.94	Staff costs	Salary and deductions
£ 30.36	Easy Websites	Monthly fee

56/25 IT Policy

The Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) for the year ending 31 March 2026 will require all smaller authorities to have an Information Technology policy. A model policy, produced by the Smaller Authorities Proper Practices Panel (SAPPP) was presented for adoption.

Resolved: the model IT Policy was approved for adoption.

57/25 Website and Councillor email addresses

Councillors considered the migration of the existing website to a .gov.uk website and provision of .gov.uk email addresses for Councillors. The Smaller Authorities Proper Practices Panel identifies this as best practice but it is not yet a requirement. Councillors decided to continue with the existing website for the time being.

58/25 Reports from Outside Bodies

Wymott Prison Community Engagement Forum - Councillors and residents met members of the security team from both Wymott and Garth Prisons. The Prisons are experiencing serious issues with drones delivering illicit materials to the inmates and requested assistance from the community to help combat the problem.

59/25 Date of Next Meeting

Monday 8 September 2025.

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