

ULNES WALTON PARISH COUNCIL

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

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

15/19 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors G Bird and E Doran

16/19 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).

17/19 Minutes of the Meeting held on 11 February 2019

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.

18/19 Public Participation

Another accident, involving four vehicles, was reported on Southport Road. The accident was believed to have been caused by a vehicle exiting Gilsons.

An increase in litter near the Fishing Lakes and along Ridley Lane was reported, together with litter on the verges along Ulnes Walton Lane.

Resolved: Standing Orders were restored.

19/19 Planning Matters

No items for consideration.

20/19 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
£ 95.50	Eccleston Parish Council	Litter picking
£ 53.40	HM Revenue and Customs	PAYE
£ 417.53	Employee 1	Salary and reimbursements

21/19 Internal Audit

Councillors discussed the appointment of an Internal Auditor in accordance with guidance provided within Governance and Accountability for Smaller Authorities in England 2018.

Resolved: Mrs A Partington was appointed and the fee for the audit was set at £80.00.

22/19 Risk Assessment

Councillors completed the annual review in accordance with guidance provided within Governance and Accountability for Smaller Authorities in England 2018. The existing procedures and controls were found to be adequate.

Resolved: the adequacy of the existing controls was noted.

23/19 Neighbourhood Priority

Councillors considered a Neighbourhood Priority for 2019-20 for submission to the Western Parishes Neighbourhood Area meeting.

Resolved: planters around the village entrance marker were confirmed as the Neighbourhood Priority for 2019-20.

24/19 Commencement Time of Meetings

A proposal to amend the commencement time of meetings to 7:00pm was considered.

Resolved: future meetings will commence at 7:00pm with effect from the April meeting.

25/19 Standing Orders and Financial Regulations

Standing Orders and Financial Regulations were reviewed. Model documents had been circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting.

Resolved: Standing Orders and Financial Regulations, as distributed to Councillors, were approved.

26/19 Lancashire County Council Household Waste Recycling Centre consultation

A consultation on revised opening times was considered. Councillors had no comments.

27/19 Reports from Outside Bodies

No reports.

28/19 Date of Next Meeting

8 April 2019, with the new commencement time of 7:00pm.

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