

ULNES WALTON PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING: Council Meeting

DATE: Monday 9 March 2026, 7.00 pm

VENUE: The Old School, Ulnes Walton Lane, Ulnes Walton

A G E N D A

1. Apologies for Absence
To receive apologies.
2. Declarations of Interests
Members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any personal or pecuniary interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda, or brought up at any point in this meeting, in accordance with the adopted Code of Conduct.
3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 12 January 2026
To receive and approve the minutes of the meeting distributed to Councillors.
4. Residents Surgery
The meeting will be adjourned.

The Parish Council welcomes and encourages input from residents on issues relating to the village or in connection with any item appearing on the agenda of the Parish Council Meeting. A short time is set aside at Council Meetings for residents to raise their questions or concerns. This session will be restricted to 10 minutes in total. No legal decisions may be taken.

5. Planning
New planning applications for consideration:

Application	Proposed Development	Location
26/00096/DIS	Application to discharge conditions 7 (Operational Lighting Scheme - phase 3), 11 (Bowling Green Maintenance Plan), 12 (Bowling Green Ground Conditions, Agronomy and Flood Lighting) and 17 (Bowling Green External Lighting Scheme) attached to planning permission 21/01028/OUTMAJ (Hybrid planning application seeking: Outline planning permission (with all matters reserved except for means of access, parking and landscaping) for a new prison (up to 74,531.71 sqm GEA) (Class C2A) within a secure perimeter fence following demolition of existing buildings and structures and together with associated engineering works; Outline planning permission for a replacement boiler house (with all matters reserved except for access); and Full planning permission for a replacement bowling green and club house (Class F2(c)) on land adjacent to HMP Garth and HMP Wymott, Leyland)	HM Prison Wymott Moss Lane

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5. Planning (cont.)

26/00113/DIS	Application to discharge conditions 20 (Construction Management Plan phases 1-3), 22 (surface water sustainable drainage strategy phases 2 and 3), 23 (Construction Surface Water Management Plan phases 1-3) and 33 (Historic Building Recording and Analysis written scheme of investigation) attached to planning permission 21/01028/OUTMAJ (Hybrid planning application seeking: Outline planning permission (with all matters reserved except for means of access, parking and landscaping) for a new prison (up to 74,531.71 sqm GEA) (Class C2A) within a secure perimeter fence following demolition of existing buildings and structures and together with associated engineering works; Outline planning permission for a replacement boiler house (with all matters reserved except for access); and Full planning permission for a replacement bowling green and club house (Class F2(c))	HM Prison Wymott Moss Lane
26/00114/DIS	Application to discharge condition 29 (Landscape and Ecology Management Plan), 30 (BNG Phasing Plan), 34 (Ground Contamination phases 2 and 3) and 35 (Ecological and landscape mitigation for A581 junction) attached to planning permission 21/01028/OUTMAJ (Hybrid planning application seeking: Outline planning permission (with all matters reserved except for means of access, parking and landscaping) for a new prison (up to 74,531.71 sqm GEA) (Class C2A) within a secure perimeter fence following demolition of existing buildings and structures and together with associated engineering works; Outline planning permission for a replacement boiler house (with all matters reserved except for access); and Full planning permission for a replacement bowling green and club house (Class F2(c)) on land adjacent to HMP Garth and HMP Wymott, Leyland)	HM Prison Wymott Moss Lane

6. Financial Matters

- i) To receive the finance update.
- ii) To consider requests for payment made to the Council.

7. Risk Assessment

To carry out the annual financial risk assessment.

9. Third Prison

To receive a report from the Stakeholder Group Meeting held on 12 February 2026.

10. Litter

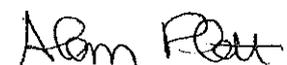
To consider a campaign to alleviate problems with litter along the lanes.

11. Reports from Outside Bodies

To receive reports from Members attending meetings on behalf of the Council.

12. Date of Next Meeting

To confirm the date of the next meeting.



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03/03/2026

Ulnes Walton Parish Council
Reports for Meeting 9 March 2026

1. **Apologies for Absence**
2. **Disclosure of Interests**
3. **Minutes of Meeting held on 12 January 2026**
4. **Resident's Surgery**
5. **Planning**

Other applications: None

Permissions:

Application	Proposed Development	Location
25/01196/PIP	Permission in principle application for the erection of up to 8 dwellings and associated infrastructure	Land North of Lydiate Farm Cottage Lydiate Lane
25/00979/TPO	The trees under the TPO are constantly being hit by passing wagons and causing debris in the garden and on the road. Concerned it may cause a RTA Application for work to protected trees - Chorley BC TPO 2 (Ulnes Walton) 2001; T1-T4 Sycamores. Crown raise to 5.5m	Stockbridge Barn Ulnes Walton Lane
25/01002/TPO	Application for work to protected trees - Chorley BC TPO 1 (Eccleston) 2018 W1; T1 T2 T3 Oaks to be crown raised to 3m	Sarscow Lane Eccleston
26/00109/DIS	Application to discharge condition nos. 5 (biodiversity net gain) and 6 (habitat management and maintenance plan) of planning permission ref: 25/00655/FUL (Surfacing works in order to facilitate provision of a car park including associated landscaping and planting)	Denizes Farm Southport Road

Refusals:

Application	Proposed Development	Location
24/00490/FUL	Alterations to an existing highway access serving an established commercial equestrian facility	The Stables Ulnes Walton Lane

None

6. Financial Matters

- i) Councillors will receive the monitoring statement.
- ii) Requests for payment for the current month will be approved.

7. Risk Assessment

Risk assessment is a systematic general examination of financial and other implications that will enable the Council to identify any and all potential risks inherent in the procedures and practices. Based on a recorded assessment all practical and necessary steps to reduce or eliminate the risks, insofar as is practically possible, should be taken.

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7. Risk Assessment (cont)

The document has been produced to enable the Parish Council to assess the risks that it faces and satisfy itself that it has taken adequate steps to minimise them. In conducting this exercise, the following plan was followed:

- identify the areas to be reviewed.
- identify what the risk may be - likelihood (risk) and consequence (effect)
- evaluate the management and control of the risk and record all findings.
- review, assess and revise if required.

Councillors will carry out the annual financial risk assessment (enclosed).

The publication "Joint Panel on Accountability and Governance Practitioners' Guide (March 2025)" provides guidance on proper practices to be applied in the preparation of the statutory annual governance statement, including assessment of risks.

Full details can be viewed at: <https://www.saaa.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/Practitioners-guide-2025.pdf>

Councillors are invited to suggest any amendments/improvements to the assessment.

8. Third Prison

A report from the Stakeholder Group Meeting, held on 12 February 2026, will be provided.

9. Litter

Item requested by Cllr Willams (see below):

Over the last, Nicky didn't several hours litter picking along Ulnes Walton Lane, she collected loads of litter, and I'm very grateful of Nicky's efforts.

Thing is, Nicky shouldn't have to do that. We both have asked CBC to litter pick along the lane, they do a job but it's not great. However, CBC shouldn't be litter picking either.

While I'm out cycling, I see litter along many of the county's country lanes. It really is a scourge - an avoidable plague on our daily lives. Leaving litter around needs to become as unsocialably acceptable as not clearing up after a dog.

On Monday, even though I had raised a call on Chorley Borough, I spent a couple of hours litter picking on Wymott Park.

There be a a cost to the councils to clearing litter, that too needs to be highlighted because those taxes could be better spent elsewhere.

I propose the PC should contact other parish councils, seek their views then the various parish councils collectively lobby both LCC and CBC to create a campaign to inform the public why they should not leave/deposit litter, anywhere.

Litter has become a really noticeable issue over the past number of years. We have beautiful countryside that needs to be protected from this scourge. I suggest this is a social problem and the parish councils on their own cannot solve because its often caused by people "passing through". How do we encourage the LCC and CBC to start a campaign against littering?

10. Reports from Outside Bodies

Reports will be provided from any meetings attended by Councillors on behalf of the Council.

11. Date of Next meeting

The scheduled date is Monday 13 April 2026.

Forthcoming meetings

Meetings usually begin at 6:30pm at Chorley Town Hall. Confirmation will be sent as and when received.

Chorley Liaison - Wednesday 18 March 2026

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MINUTES of the Council Meeting held on 12 January 2026 in The Old School, Ulnes Walton Lane, Ulnes Walton commencing at 7.00 pm.

Present Councillors N Watkinson (Chairman), P Sloan and D Williams.

01/26 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs J Dalton and E Doran

02/26 Declarations of Interests

Cllr Williams declared a personal interest in agenda item 8 (Third Prison).

03/26 Minutes of the Meeting held on 8 December 2025

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

04/26 Residents Surgery

Concerns were raised regarding potential damage to overhead cables caused by high vehicles during the prison construction period.

Disruption of bus services caused by road works for the Prison was raised. Lancashire County Council is to be requested to investigate.

The problem of littering along the lanes was mentioned.

A resident had reported overgrown hedges obstructing the pavement along Southport Road. This had been reported to Lancashire County Council. The resident had also reported the bus stop was in need of tidying.

05/26 Planning Matters

25/01194/FULMAJ Change of use of the land for the siting of static caravans/lodges (including substitution of touring for statics caravans/lodges) at Royal Umpire Caravan Park, Southport Road

Resolved: an objection is to be submitted on the grounds of inappropriate development within the Green belt, pointing out the similarity of this application to a previous application which was refused by both Chorley Council and by the Planning Inspector

25/01196/PIP Permission in principle application for the erection of up to 8 dwellings and associated infrastructure at Land North of Lydiate Farm Cottage, Lydiate Lane

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

25/01238/DIS Application to discharge condition 25 (Amphibians and Water Voles RAMS), 26 (Plan for Biodiversity Management during Construction) and 28 (Bat Mitigation) attached to planning permission 21/01028/OUTMAJ (Hybrid planning application seeking: Outline planning permission (with all matters reserved except for means of access, parking and landscaping) for a new prison (up to 74,531.71 sqm GEA) (Class C2A) within a secure perimeter fence following demolition of existing buildings and structures and together with associated engineering works; Outline planning permission for a replacement boiler house (with all matters reserved except for access); and Full planning permission for a replacement bowling green and club house (Class F2(c)) on land adjacent to HMP Garth and HMP Wymott, Leyland) at Land Adjacent to HMP Wymott

There were no objections to this application.

25/01252/REMMAJ Reserved matters including appearance, layout, scale and landscaping pursuant to phase 3 of planning permission ref. 21/01028/OUTMAJ for the construction of a new energy centre and executive cabin ancillary to the development of the new prison.

Concerns were raised regarding the parking provision. Currently, car parks are overflowing, with vehicles parking on Moss Lane and estate roads and no evidence has been submitted to demonstrate the 32 bays proposed will be adequate.

Resolved: an objection is to be submitted on the grounds of insufficient information provided on the actual requirements for parking provision..

06/26 Finance

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

ii) Resolved: the following payments were approved:

£ 30.36	Easy Websites	Monthly fee
£ 74.80	Eccleston Parish Council	Litter picking
£ 367.38	Staff costs	Salary and deductions
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£ 367.38	Staff costs (February)	Salary and deductions

07/26 Internal Audit Review

The annual review of the effectiveness of the internal audit and the appointment of an Internal Auditor, in accordance with guidance contained within the Joint Panel on Accountability and Governance - Practitioners' Guide (March 2025).was carried out.

Resolved: the current system of internal audit was found to be adequate.

Resolved: Mrs A Partington was appointed and the fee for the audit was set at £100.00.

08/26 Third Prison

Suggestions for items to be raised at the next Stakeholder Group Meeting with representatives from the Ministry of Justice were discussed. The lack of communication with local residents is a major issue. Contractors installing electricity cables have caused serious problems recently. No notification of these works had been provided. A dedicated contact email address for residents to report issues is required.

The next Community Engagement Forum at HMP Garth will take place on 21 January 2026.

09/26 Reports from Outside Bodies

No reports.

10/26 Date of Next Meeting

Monday 9 March 2026.

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

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Risk Assessment and Management (in accordance with Governance and Accountability for Smaller Authorities in England)						
Topic	Risk Identified	Risk H/M/L	Effect H/M/L	Management of Risk	Action by	I A Freq
Income						
Precept	Not submitted Not paid by BC Adequacy of precept	L L L	H H H	Council minute - RFO to follow up Check and report to Council Monthly review of budget to actual	Diary Diary Diary	12 12 12
Investment Income	Receipt when due Investment policy Surplus funds	L L L	L L L	Review when necessary Review when necessary Review when necessary	Diary Diary Diary	As required As required As required
Expenditure						
Salaries	Wrong salary paid Wrong hours paid Wrong pay rate False employee Wrong deductions - PAYE and NI	L L L L L	L L L L L	Check to minute Check to timesheet/contract Check to contract Check to PAYE records and lists Check to PAYE calculators	Councillor verify Councillor verify Councillor verify Councillor verify Councillor verify	12 12 12 12 12
Direct Costs and Overhead Expenses	Goods not supplied Invoice incorrectly calculated Cheque payable is excessive Cheque payable to wrong party	L L L L	H L H H	Order system Check arithmetic Signatory initials etc Stub and Voucher Signatory initials etc Stub and Voucher	RFO verify Approval check Councillor verify Councillor verify	12 3 3 3
Grants and Support	Power to pay Agreement of Council to pay Conditions agreed Cheque and voucher Follow up verification	L L L M M	H H M M L	RFO check Minute Use reasonable conditions Signatories initial stub and voucher RFO check and consider budget	RFO verify Councillor verify RFO verify Councillor verify RFO verify	12 12 12 12 12
Election Costs	Invoice at agreed rate VAT analysis Charged on purchases Partial exemption applies? Claimed within time limits	L L L M M	L L L M H	RFO check and consider budget All items in cash book lists Consider all items as per cash book lists RFO check Agree returns submitted	RFO verify RFO verify RFO verify RFO verify RFO verify	As required 12 12 12 12
VAT Irrecoverable						

Topic	Risk Identified	Risk H/M/L	Effect H/M/L	Management of Risk	Staff Action	I A Freq
Reserves - general	Adequacy	L	H	Consider at budget setting	RFO/Councillor opinion	12
	Adequacy	L	H	Consider at budget setting and final accounts	RFO/Councillor opinion	12
Reserves - earmarked	Earmarked, or contingent liability	L	H	Review by Council	RFO/Councillor opinion	12
	Loss, damage etc	M	H	Annual inspection, update insurance and asset register	Diary	12
Assets	Risk or damage to 3 rd party property or individuals	M	H	Review adequacy of Public Liability Insurance cover	Diary	12
	Loss of key personnel (Clerk)	M	H	Review hours, conditions, health, stress, training, management,	Council	12
Staff	Fraud by Staff	L	H	Fidelity guarantee insurance cover value Insurance company conditions	Council	12
	Consequential loss due to critical damage or 3 rd party performance	L	H	Review adequacy of insurance cover	Diary	12
Cash	Loss through theft or dishonesty	L	H	Insurance cover review - ensure adequacy of Fidelity Guarantee Cover	Diary	12
	Poor performance of assets, loss of income or performance	L	M	Annual maintenance inspection Review adequacy of insurance cover	Diary	12
Borrowing	Adequacy of finances to be able to repay loans	L	H	Consider at budget setting. Financial review and cashflow forecasting monthly	Diary	12
	Illegal activity or payment	L	H	Educate Councillors as to legal powers	Ongoing	12
Legal Compliance	Compliance with requirements	M	M	Educate Councillors as to requirements	Ongoing	12
	Overspend on services	L	H	Ensure correct tendering for services	Ongoing	12
Financial Records	Inadequate records	L	H	RFO check + regular internal audit	Diary	12
	Accurate and legal	L	H	Approve at following meeting	Diary	12
Members Interests	Conflict of interests	M	M	Members to update Declarations of Interests	Ongoing	12

Chairman:

Council Meeting Date: 9 March 2026