

ULNES WALTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Annual Meeting held on 14 May 2018 in The Old School, Ulnes Walton Lane, Ulnes Walton commencing at 7.30 pm.

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

38/18 Election of Chairman

Resolved: Cllr Dalton was elected as Chairman.

Resolved: the Declaration of Acceptance of Office was received.

39/18 Apologies for Absence

None received.

40/18 Declarations of Interests

Cllr Dalton, as a member of Chorley Council's Development Control Committee, declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 8 (Planning Matters).

41/18 Election of Vice Chairman

Resolved: Cllr Bird was elected as Vice Chairman.

42/18 Appointment of Representatives to Outside Bodies

Chorley Liaison - Cllr Dalton.

Chorley Council Western Parishes Neighbourhood Meeting - Cllr Doddenhof.

43/18 Minutes of the Meeting held on 9 April 2018

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.

44/18 Public Participation

A report of floodlights having been erected and large amounts of hardcore being stored in a field off Holker Lane was provided. Enforcement Officers at Chorley Council had been informed.

Large potholes were reported at the Leyland Lane end of Holker Lane.

Resolved: Standing Orders were restored.

45/18 Planning Matters

18/00396/FUL Barn conversion to single residential dwelling at Dorboricia, Ulnes Walton Lane.

Resolved: an objection is to be submitted stating Members concerns that the proposed dwelling constitutes encroachment further into the Green belt than other properties in the area.

46/18 Finance

i) Evidence of receipt of the precept from Chorley Council was noted.

ii) Monitoring Statement

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

A request from North West Air Ambulance for a grant towards operating expenses was considered.

Resolved: a grant of £250 was awarded.

iii) Payments

Resolved: the following payments were approved, the invoices having been inspected in accordance with fidelity guarantee requirements:

£ 25.00	Ulmes Walton Charitable Fund	Room hire
£ 52.60	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE
£ 209.97	Employee 1	Salary
£ 137.40	Eccleston Parish Council	Litter picking

47/18 Annual Return for the Year Ended 31 March 2018

Councillors considered the Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2018.

Resolved: the Asset Register was approved and signed by the Chairman.

Resolved: the Annual Governance Statement was approved and signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

Resolved: the Statement of Accounts was approved and signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

Resolved: the Certificate of Exemption was approved and signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

48/18 General Data Protection Regulation

Information was provided on forthcoming changes to Data Protection laws which will require an action plan to be worked through to ensure compliance over the coming months.

49/18 Lancashire County Council Consultations

Consultations relating to the proposed reduction in funding for community transport in Lancashire and the proposed ceasing of routine streetlight inspections, with testing of streetlights and illuminated signs, due to the introduction of LED lighting, to be carried on a 10 year cycle rather than the current 5 year cycle were considered. The contents of both consultations were noted.

50/18 Reports from Outside Bodies

No reports.

51/18 Date of Next Meeting

11 June 2018.

52/18 Exclusion of the Press and Public

Resolved: in accordance with Part 1 (4) of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, 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.

53/18 Personnel Matters

The Clerk's hourly rate was increased in accordance with the National Joint Council for Local Government Services 2018-2019 National Salary Award.

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