

ULNES WALTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Council Meeting held on 14 November 2022 in The Old School, Ulnes Walton Lane, Ulnes Walton commencing at 7.00 pm.

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

Also present 7 Members of the Public.

109/22 Apologies for Absence

None received.

110/22 Declarations of Interests

None declared.

111/22 Minutes of the Meeting held on 10 October 2022

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

112/22 Residents Surgery

Residents mentioned the lack of combined litter bins for dog walkers along Southport Road and suggested a bin in the vicinity of The Highfield should be requested from Chorley Council.

Residents asked for support to obtain outdoor games equipment which could be used at village events. The equipment would be available for use by any groups or individuals arranging events in the village. The possibility of storing the equipment in the Community Group's container was mentioned.

A suggestion was put forward to move the speed indicators from Southport Road to Leyland Lane now the average speed camera system was installed. It was mentioned the system would not be fully operational for several months and the general consensus was for the indicators to be used to reinforce the camera system.

113/22 Planning Matters

22/01056/FUL Erection of 5.2m high fencing within the secure perimeter at HM Prison Wymott, Moss Lane

22/01094/FUL Change of use of a field from agricultural land to secure dog walking and training field, and erection of 1.8m high fencing along with associated car parking on Land at Holker Lane

Councillors had no objections to these applications.

114/22 Finance

- i) Resolved: the current Monitoring Statement was approved and signed by the Chairman.
- ii) Resolved: the following payments were approved, the invoices having been inspected in accordance with fidelity guarantee requirements:

£ 86.70	Eccleston PC	Litter picking
£ 350.45	Staff costs	Salary, deductions and reimbursements

115/22 2023-24 Precept

A draft of 2023-2024 budget requirements was presented for discussion. The draft budget would result in the parish part of the council tax bill for residents remaining unchanged. Councillors will provide details of any suggestions for major expenditure in time for inclusion within a finalised budget for presentation for approval at the next meeting.

116/22 Litter picking contract

The litter picking service provided by Eccleston Parish Council was considered. The hourly rate for 2023-24 will increase in line with inflation.

Resolved: the contract is to continue for the 2023-24 financial year.

117/22 Reports from Outside Bodies

Chorley Liaison Meeting - representatives from Lancashire Constabulary provided details of the organisational structure for Chorley and contact details for Officers.

118/22 Date of Next Meeting

Monday 12 December 2022.

119/22 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.

120/22 Personnel Matters

The Clerk's salary was increased in accordance with the National Joint Council for Local Government Services National Salary Award.

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