

WRIGHTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

At the Meeting of the Parish Council of the Parish of Wrightington held on Monday 21 November 2011 at Appley Bridge Village Hall at 7:30 pm the following were present:

Councillors: Mr F Hodgkinson (Chairman), Mrs J Burton, and Mr I McRae. Also present Borough Councillors Gartside and Mrs Baybutt and County Councillor Ms Evans.

OPEN FORUM

(At this point in the Meeting members of the public present can report, ask questions, raise issues and make observations on parish matters or items appearing on the Agenda. Reports will also be received from the Police, District and County Councillors if attending – Once open forum is closed the Chairman will only suspend standing orders to allow public participation in extreme circumstances.)

Borough Councillor Baybutt: Reported that the estates management team at West Lancs. BC are discussing with the residents the possibility of removing the grass in front of the flats at Mossfields to address parking problems. This will involve installing drop kerbs and strengthening works to protect the utilities running under the footways. Residents have been given a grant application form for completion. This has been cost prohibitive in the past. The Parish Council are still happy to contribute to this by undertaking a topographical survey of the land. West Lancs. BC and LCC are working together on this matter. Parking provision could be tarmac, grass screed or individual bollards. Confirmed that the attendance at the recent Remembrance Day Service was excellent. Regarding a request to add names to the war memorial, if this is considered it must be ensured that all names are added so as not to cause offence. Cleaning the stone was also raised. Regarding stakes in the grass verge on Appley Lane South, on LCC highway, these are dangerous. Complaints regarding obstruction of site lines at Robin Hood Lane/Hall Lane junction by A-boards on the pavement have been reported as has the overhanging vegetation over the footway at Bank Brow, Appley Bridge. LCC officers will be asked to attend.

County Councillor Evans: Reported double yellow lines will be installed on Hall Lane, either side of the hospital entrance. The railings erected on Appley Lane South will be replaced soon, failure to consult with the residents has led to this, at a considerable cost to LCC (approx. £10,000). Councillor Ms Evans will forward a copy of the secondary gritting routes for circulation to Parish Councillors. Councillor Ms Evans agreed to report a deep ditch on Tunley Lane, just past Tunley Farm on the left hand side, which is quite deep and dangerous.

75. **APOLOGIES** – Apologies were received from Councillors Johnson (Bereavement), Clinch (Illness) and Page (Prior Commitment). Councillor Page commented that the Remembrance Day Service was well organised and well attended and thanks to all who helped and participated.
76. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – Members were asked to consider any personal/prejudicial interest they may have to disclose in relation to matters under discussion at the Meeting. There were no declarations at this point in the meeting.
77. **MINUTES** – The Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 17 October 2011 had been circulated in advance of the Meeting and were accepted as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
78. **UPDATE/PROGRESS WITH ISSUES RAISED AT THE PREVIOUS MEETING** – Nothing specific to report.

79. CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION ITEMS

Items reported to, and noted by, the Council – no decision required: REPORT 1 – page 3 – ACCEPTED.

Items requiring discussion, observations or action by the Council:

- A) Notification from Chorley Council of proposed House Related Changes in the Central Lancashire Core Strategy – RESOLVED: COUNCILLOR HODGKINSON WILL REVIEW AND RESPOND IF REQUIRED.
- b) Results of the votes for the Standards Committee Appointment – 2 NOMINEES HAVE EQUAL VOTES THEREFORE, IT IS LIKELY THE PARISH COUNCIL WILL BE REQUIRED TO VOTE FOR ONE OF THESE NOMINEES IN DUE COURSE.
- c) Notification of Prohibition of Waiting, Loading/Unloading Order, Hall Lane, Appley Bridge – NOTED.

- d) Confirmation public footpath No3 has been cleared of overgrowth + public footpath No21 has been cleared of overgrowth and officers continue to pursue upgrading of this to a bridleway – NOTED.
- e) Confirmation West Lancs. BC estate management team will contact Mossfields residents regarding putting a bid in for improved car parking in Mossfields – NOTED.
- f) Current position with regard to stakes in the grass verge on Appley Lane North – LCC SHOULD INSIST THE STAKES ARE REMOVED RATHER THAN REQUEST THIS.
- g) Notification of temporary road closure of High Moor Lane, from Stoney Lane to Robin Hood Lane, 7 am, Monday 12 Dec to 4 pm, Tuesday 12 Dec, carriageway resurfacing – NOTED BUT PLEASE ENSURE THE TARMAC USED IS SAFE FOR USE BY HORSES AND NOT TOO SLIPPERY.
- h) Request for submission of bids for West Lancs. BC Capital Schemes 2012/13 by 10 Feb. 2012 – IDEAS ON THE NEXT AGENDA.
- i) Notification of West Lancs. BC Tree Preservation Order (No.13) 2011 – Trees on land at Appley Bridge Community Centre, Appley Lane North, Appley Bridge – NOTED.
- j) Update guidance from Standards for England on blogging and social networking – NOTED.
- k) Invitation from NW Air Ambulance to attend Christmas Carol Concert (Tickets £5) + Raffle tickets for their Annual Grand Draw – NOTED.
- l) Consultations re: plans to stop land drainage in Northern Parishes – notification – NOTED.
- m) To discuss Lease for Mossy Lea Village Hall – COUNCILLOR HODGKINSON WILL REVIEW/ALTER/REMOVE THE TERMS AS NECESSARY AND REPORT AT THE DECEMBER MEETING.
- n) Late items received which may require discussion/action/observations i) Request that the war memorial at Appley Bridge is cleaned – THE COUNCIL WILL CONSULT THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION REGARDING OWNERSHIP AND RESPONSIBILITY. ii) Notification West Lancs. BC is moving from preparing an LDF to preparation of a Local Plan – NOTED.

80. HIGHWAYS AND ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

- Bus Shelter repairs – Mossy Lea Road – To replace with a new roof, fix a lockable notice/display board inside the shelter and full clean £800 + VAT. RESOLVED: Go ahead with repairs.
- Councillor Mrs Burton suggested that instead of presenting school children with something to commemorate the Queen's forthcoming Diamond Jubilee it may be more appropriate to involve the schools in the design and content of a Jubilee Garden on the land at Hall Lane once handed over to the Parish Council, presenting each school with a commemorative plaque stating this.

81. REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES – The Clerk attended the LALC Annual Conference and the LCC Parish and Town Council Conference – NOTED.

82. PARISH COUNCIL VACANCIES – The Clerk read aloud the letter of application for the remaining Appley Bridge Ward Councillor's vacancy received from Mrs Davina Hanlon. RESOLVED: IT WAS UNANIMOUS THAT MRS HANLON'S APPLICATION BE ACCEPTED, APPOINTMENT EFFECTIVE FROM THE DECEMBER MEETING.

83. VILLAGE HALLS

MOSSY LEA – Christmas Craft & Gift Fair, Sunday 27 November, 11am-2pm – Work required to faulty emergency lighting –RESOLVED: PROCEED WITH WORK TO EMERGENCY LIGHTING
APPLEY BRIDGE – Work required to fluorescent lighting in the main hall – RESOLVED: REPLACE THE 2 UNLIT ONES HOWEVER, WORK RELATING TO THE FAULTY LIGHT FITTING WILL BE HELD UNTIL A DECISION IS REACHED REGARDING WORK TO THE CEILING. A QUOTATION FOR THIS WORK IS BEING OBTAINED.

84. PLANNING To discuss the following application/s:

- 1) 2011/1115/COU Change of use from function room to 8 bedroom accommodation for Wigan Athletic Football Academy to include kitchen, dining and TV room for guests. Installation of tow additional windows, one on the side elevation and one on the rear elevation. Wrightington Hotel and County Club, Moss Lane, Wrightington. NO OBJECTIONS.

85. LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS – Draft Minutes from October Area Committee Meeting – Request for Agenda Items for Area Committee Meeting, 19 January 2012 – E-Briefing from NALC on engagement with Parish Councils in developing community well-being through celebration the 2012 Olympic Games + Discount from Shaw’s for members - NOTED.

86. ACCOUNTS - To receive the following list of accounts for Approval:

Payments:

Standish Print	Stationery	£47.40
Colway Services Ltd	PAT Testing, fire alarm and emergency lighting test MLVH	£224.00
	PAT Testing, fire alarm and emergency lighting test ABVH	£88.00
	Less: Credit Note	£96.00
		£278.40
Mrs C A Cross	Reimburse Remembrance Day Refreshments	£50.30
Mrs J Rogers	Reimburse Remembrance Day Refreshments	£11.00
LALC	Postage cost for 4 x Good Councillors Guides	£1.92
United Utilities	Water charges ABVH	£23.36
Mrs C A Cross	Clerk’s Salary – Net	£585.03
HM Rev. & Customs	Tax due by Clerk	£2.20
D/D – United Utils.	Water Charges MLVH	£347.29

Receipts:

West Lancs. BC	(BACS) Amenity Grass Cutting	£340.53	
	Capital Bid Contribution	£2028.00	£2368.53
ABVH Committee	Quarterly Transfer		£2382.00
TM Calderbank	Lead recovered and weighed-in		£18.00

RESOLVED: That payment and receipt of the above Accounts be approved.

87. DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED: That the next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 19 December 2011 at Mossy Lea Village Hall at 7:30 pm.

Minutes 75 to 87 will be accepted as a correct record and signed by the Chairman at the Meeting to be held on Monday 19 December 2011.

Members of the Public and Press are welcome to attend

Meeting Closed: 9:48 pm

Chairman:

Date:

REPORT 1

- a) 1) Permission granted for first floor front, rear and side extensions and single storey rear extension. 25 Glenside, Appley Bridge.
- 2) Certificate of Lawfulness (EXISTING) – use of land for storage of caravans, land rear of Tunley Moss Farm Cottage, Tunley Moss, REFUSED.
- 3) Application for retention of new first floor, side elevation window, Flat above 308 Mossy Lea Road – WITHDRAWN.
- 4) Permission granted for raising roof height to incorporate loft conversion with first floor front extension and rear dormer. 41 Glenside.
- b) Copy LCC Winter Service 2012/12 winter leaflets.
- c) Notification Chubb Fire Ltd and Chubb Electronic Security have now combined.
- d) Notification of revision to comment submission dates following housing related changes in the central Lancashire core strategy.
- e) Confirmation there is no need to complete the survey from Community Futures from last meeting.
- f) Notification of consultation: Wigan Central Area Action Plan Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report.
- g) Notification of Salford City Council – Crescent Development Framework – consultation draft.
- h) Copy CPRE Open Space
- i) i) Copy CPRE Countryside Voice