

WRIGHTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Wrightington Parish Council held at Mossy lea Village Hall on 21st February 2022.

Present Cllr Mrs J Burton, Cllr Alexander, Cllr Hodgkinson, Cllr Johnson, Cllr Mrs Jukes.

In attendance Mr A Whittaker (acting Clerk) 9 members of the public.

109 Apologies for absence. Apologies were received from Cllrs Chambers, Shaw, House, and Mrs Cross the Clerk to the Council.

110 Declaration of Interests

Cllr Mrs Burton declared an interest in Item 115 Village Halls. Cllr Mrs Jukes declared an interest in item 112(l)

111 Minutes of Budget meeting and Parish Council meetings held on 17th January 2022.

I) Cllr Jukes queried why the precept had been increased. Cllr Mrs Burton responded.

II) Cllr Mrs Jukes also queried the Clerks increased salary and asked what the existing salary level was.

Cllr Mrs Burton advised that these matters would be dealt with at the March meeting.

III) Cllr Mrs Jukes read a prepared statement which is recorded, suggesting that personal criticism had allegedly been made. In view of the absence of some of those referred to Council agreed to discuss this at the March meeting

It was agreed that the Minutes of both Meetings were accepted as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

112 Correspondence

Report 1. details have been circulated. Council noted the contents.

- a) Electric vehicles Car clubs Clerk to complete the survey/**
- b) Walking in Lancashire. Noted.**
- c) Invitation from LCC to attend conference on 19th March. Noted.**
- d) Tree Planting on The Meadows Noted.**

- e) Royal British legion Plaques availability for Platinum Jubilee £120 or £130 Noted.
- f) Response from LCC regarding Tree Planting Mossy Lea Road and Boundary Lane. Noted.
- g) LCC response to Parish Council for speed limit Appley Lane North. Council queried the dates shown and agreed that the Clerk write to LCC asking them to attend the next meeting in March to clarify and explain their decision.
- h) LCC response regarding signage and Mirrors on Mill Lane and Appley Lane North. Councillors again asked that LCC attend a future meeting to clarify their position as in (g) above.
- i) Upgrading of footpath on Mill Lane to a bridleway. Shevington PC's response was noted.
- j) Response from WLBC regarding bench on Mossy lea Road. The bench is not on WLBC asset register. WLBC suggest that the Parish Council write to LCC as it is on the adopted highway and they would be liable for any third party claims. Council resolved that the Clerk write to LCC requesting a site visit and the costs involved.
- k) Litter Bins. Letter from WLBC noted
- l) Late items
 - i) Play Area Appley Lane South. This will be on the March Agenda
 - ii) Request for small items of work from LCC March Agenda
 - iii) Throw Lines at East Quarry Appley Bridge March Agenda

113 Highways and Environment Matters

- a) reference was made to some damaged bollards on the main road just north of Wrightington Fisheries. Clerk to write to LCC for repairs.
- b) Extension to property 314 Mossy Lea Road.
The rendering on the extension has run off into the roadside gully. Clerk to write to WLBC
- c) A tree has fallen on Carr House Lane. The trunk has been removed but the branches just left on the roadside. The Clerk will contact LCC or the householder to remove them.

114 Reports from outside representatives None received

115 Village Halls Work Quotations.

Cllr Mrs Burton left the meeting whilst this was discussed. A suggestion was made that competitive quotations should be obtained and a discussion ensued. The Acting Clerk reported that many Parish Councils have an agreed protocol to determine whether competitive tenders should

be obtained. The meeting was unaware if Wrightington had such a protocol. The Clerk will obtain a copy of the protocol agreed by Eccleston and Heskin PC and send it to Mrs Cross for discussion at the next meeting.

116 Planning Applications. Details have been circulated. They were noted

For Note - 2021/0902/FUL Notification of amendments to the application where revised proposals for extensions to the dwelling house, new driveway layout and secondary access. Change of ownership certificate. Littlecroft, Robin Hood Lane, Wrightington – Circulated to Councillors. Insufficient observations received. None submitted.

- 1) 2022/0046/FUL Proposed single-storey rear extension. The Old Carriage House, Mossy Lea Road, Wrightington. No objections.**
- 2) 2022/0061/LDC Certificate of Lawfulness – Mixed-use of site comprising B2, B8 and E (office) use. Dawber Delph Quarry, Skull House Lane, Appley Bridge. No objections.**
- 3) 2022/0063/FUL Single storey extension to the rear of the property, to be used as a family room/lounge (retrospective). 23 Stonemill Rise, Appley Bridge. No objections.**
- 4) 2022/0066/FUL Erection of one detached dwelling (relocation of previous approval 2020/0220/FUL). Land adjacent 4 Tunley Lane, Wrightington. No objections.**
- 5) 2022/0083/FUL Two Storey rear and single storey side extension. 8 Sprodley Drive, Appley Bridge. No objections.**

117 LALC Training Courses available Noted.

118 Payment of Accounts

Mr Dale Burton	Chemical/Mechanical moss removal ABVH		£285.00
Mr F Johnson	Reimburse cost of window cleaning MLVH		£15.00
Mr G Ross	Web Co-ordinator		£240.00
Petty Cash			£50.00
Waterplus	Water supply ABVH		£105.42
Defib Warehouse	Defibrillator consumables		£442.01
The Wiper Company	Hand Towels – MLVH & ABVH		£30.00
Mrs C A Cross	Clerk's Salary – Net		£822.56
HM Rev. & Customs	Tax & NI due by Clerk	£3.48	
	NI due by Parish Council	£12.29	£15.77
D/D Plusnet	Internet ABVH		£21.60
D/D Plusnet	Internet MLVH		£26.39
Waterplus	Water supply MLVH		£160.43
D/D E.on	Electricity MLVH		£59.71

Cheques were signed by two members for all the cheques listed on the Agenda except for

- a) Clearance of moss ABVH £285.00**
- b) Petty Cash £50.00**

Details to be discussed at the March meeting.

The 5% employers pension contribution was agreed.

119 East Quarry. A member of the public was allowed to address the meeting regarding

a) the quantity of material that had been moved onto the site. It was alleged that the limit was 11000 cubic metres but suggested that more than that had been imported.

b) a ramp was supposed to have been completed within a time scale which has now passed and the ramp is still not completed.

c) A concrete pad for vehicles to turn round had been constructed allegedly without permission.

Councillors resolved that the Clerk should write to LCC and obtain a response to these concerns and report to the Council in time for the March meeting

120 Date of next Meeting 21st March 2022