

WRIGHTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

At the Annual Meeting of the Council of the Parish of Wrightington held on Monday 20th May 2024 at Appley Bridge Village Hall at 7.30pm the following were present:

Councillors: Mrs J Burton (Chairman), Mrs K Jukes, Mr F Johnson, Mr H Carey and Mr C House. Also present were members of the public and PC Gordon Davies.

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, Borough and County Councillors if attending – Once open forum is closed the Chairman will only suspend standing orders to allow public participation in extreme circumstances.)

The Chairman welcomed those present to the May Meeting and asked that we all treat each other with respect and respect everyone's points of view. No items were raised in Open Forum which closed at 7.32pm.

1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN and DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

The current Chairman was commended for her time in office. It was suggested that the Parish Council must be seen to represent both wards in the Parish and therefore, it may now be appropriate to appoint an Appley Bridge Ward Councillor as Chairman, with a Mossy Lea Ward Councillor as Vice-Chairman. The role of Chairman could then rotate each year between the two wards. The initial proposal to appoint an Appley Bridge Ward Councillor to the role of Chairman did not receive a seconder, therefore the proposal could not continue. It was suggested that in order to maintain some stability at the moment i.e.: following the loss of Councillor Hodgkinson, the resignation of Councillor Shaw (on the Agenda tonight), the retirement of the existing Clerk, and the appointment of a new Clerk, that the Chairman should remain in post for a further year, and that the appointment of the Chairman is re-evaluated in May 2025. As a result of the discussions:

The following Proposal was made:

Councillor Mrs J Burton

Proposed by Councillor Mr C House

Seconded by Councillor Mr F Johnson

The Council voted and it was **RESOLVED**: On a majority vote, the Chairman using her casting vote, that Councillor Mrs Burton is elected for a Term of Office terminating on the day of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council in 2025. (Councillor Mrs Burton signed her declaration of acceptance of office.)

2. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN and DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

The following Proposal was made:

Councillor Mrs K Jukes

Proposed by Councillor Mr C House

Seconded by Councillor Mr F Johnson

The Council voted and it was **RESOLVED**: That Councillor Mrs Jukes is elected for a Term of Office terminating on the day of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council in 2025. (Councillor Mrs Jukes signed her declaration of acceptance of office.)

3. APOLOGIES - Were received and accepted from Councillor Mrs Nicholson and Borough Councillor Whittington.

4. 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 - **No declarations were made at this point in the Meeting however, should a Councillor feel he/she has any interest in later matters he/she will declare it at that point.**

5. ADOPTION OF NALC MODEL STANDING ORDERS (adjusted to fit the Parish Council's needs), ACCOUNTS & FINANCIAL REGULATIONS, AND COUNCILLORS CODE OF CONDUCT, TOGETHER WITH VILLAGE HALL CONSTITUTIONS, COMPLAINTS

PROCEDURE, PUBLICATION SCHEME & INFORMATION AVAILABLE UNDER THE PUBLICATION SCHEME, RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN, RISK MANAGEMENT REGISTER, ASSET REGISTER, TRAINING POLICY, ANNUAL AUDIT PLAN, DOCUMENT RETENTION POLICY, GRANT POLICY, C0-OPTION POLICY & DATA PROTECTION POLICY - Resolved: These documents are adopted for the ensuing year including the Model Standing Orders, as applicable to the Parish Council. Councillors must ensure Village Hall Constitutions are referred to during meetings and terms and conditions applied. It was confirmed that documents will continue to be reviewed over the year and amended or updated as appropriate if required.

6. TIMETABLE OF MEETINGS FOR 2024/2025

The following timetable of Meetings was approved for 2024-2025:

2024

20 May	Appley Bridge Village Hall, Mossy Lea Road, Wrightington ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 7.00 PM ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL 7.30 PM
17 June	Mossy Lea Village Hall, Mossy Lea Road, Wrightington - 7.30pm
15 July	Appley Bridge Village Hall, Appley Lane North, Appley Bridge - 7.30pm
August	No Meeting
16 September	Mossy Lea Village Hall, Mossy Lea Road, Wrightington - 7.30pm
21 October	Appley Bridge Village Hall, Appley Lane North, Appley Bridge - 7.30pm
18 November	Mossy Lea Village Hall, Mossy Lea Road, Wrightington - 7.30pm
16 December	Appley Bridge Village Hall, Appley Lane North, Appley Bridge - 7.30pm

2025

20 January	Mossy Lea Village Hall, Mossy Lea Road, Wrightington - 7.30pm BUDGET MEETING 6.30 PM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 7.30 PM
17 February	Appley Bridge Village Hall, Appley Lane North, Appley Bridge - 7.30pm
17 March	Mossy Lea Village Hall, Mossy Lea Road, Wrightington - 7.30pm
14 April	Appley Bridge Village Hall, Appley Lane North, Appley Bridge - 7.30pm (Second Monday, due to Easter Monday being on the third Monday, 21st of April)
19 May	Mossy Lea Village Hall, Mossy Lea Road, Wrightington - 7.30pm ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 7.00 PM ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL 7.30 PM

Members of the Public and Press are Welcome to Attend. Meetings will be held on the third Monday of the month, and commence at 7.30pm, unless otherwise stated in the timetable

7. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

Finance Sub-Committee – All Parish Councillors

Public Rights of Way Sub-Committee – Councillors Mr Hodgkinson, Mrs Burton, Mr Johnson & Mrs Jukes

Planning Liaison Group – Councillors Mrs Burton and Mr Shaw plus any two other Councillors

8. APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Borough Liaison Committee – Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Clerk.

Village Hall Representative – A representative will be appointment as/if/when required.

Appley Bridge Community Association – Councillor Mr C House was appointed – to attend, listen and report back to the Parish Council. There is no decision-making power delegated to this position.

LALC – Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

Peter Lathom Charity – Councillor Mr Johnson.

Richard Durning's Charity – Councillor Mrs Jukes.

9. MINUTES – The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 15th April 2024 had been circulated in advance of the Meeting, were accepted as a correct record, and signed by the Chairman.

10. CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION ITEMS

Items requiring discussion, observations or action by the Council:

- a) Response to your suggestion in relation to work following on from receipt of HS2 funding and small scheme pothole repairs (details in the supplementary notes) – **The Parish Council are unhappy with this response. Borough Councillor Jukes also reported her disappointment that she has had no acknowledgement from the Police & Crime Commissioner following her report to him 2 months ago. Country lanes are becoming very dangerous.**
- b) Request from Helping Hands Homecare to add a link to their local care organisation to your website – **The Council will not be proceeding with this at the moment.**
- c) Notification of the Parish Council Insurance renewal – to confirm the insurance is adequate – (details emailed to Parish Councillors for consideration and approval) - **Resolved - That the insurance remains effective, adequate and fit for purpose. The Council will renew on the 1-year annual premium and review providers again next year.**
- d) Resignation of Councillor Shaw + Notification from West Lancs. BC that if no request for an election has been received by 5th June 2024 the Parish Council can co-opt to fill the vacancy – **If the Parish Council has been informed by 5th June that there has been no request for an election, notices will be created and displayed in the notice boards, notifying of the vacancy and requesting that applications are received by 5pm on Sunday 16th June 2024, with a view to co-opting to fill the vacancy at the Parish Council Meeting on Monday 17th June 2024.**
- e) Approve the Clerk signing the Concurrent Grant Agreement 2024/25 on behalf of the Council – **Resolved – The Clerk can sign this agreement on behalf of the Parish Council, and return.**
- f) Late items received which may require discussion/action/observations – i) Details from The Paddock about June special offers they will be making available to members of clubs and organisations in the locality – **These will be posted in the Notice Boards. Details will also be forwarded to the WI, the Scouts, ABCA and Wrightington Pensioners.**

11. **EAST QUARRY** – Borough Councillor Jukes reported on her attendance at the Coroner’s Inquiry into the death of Jamie Lewin in July 2022 in East Quarry. The Coroner highlighted that this is the 3rd death since 1999, he sympathised with the views of the residents, but his role was to determine how and why Jamie died. Jamie’s family made representations at the inquest, but their concern was that a similar incident could happen if a solution is not sought. The Coroner ruled that Jamie’s was an accidental death. It is believed that the quarry owner wants to infill the quarry, however, he must go through the proper procedures to do so. Recent nice weather resulted in complaints of young people in the quarry, taking nitrous oxide. It is recommended that anyone seeing anything should report it to the Police and to West Lancs. Borough Council Enforcement Officer. These problems are still occurring for the residents of Appley Bridge and still nothing has been done. Some Councillors believe that once the Coroner’s report is available, this will need to be looked at in detail to check that the details provided by West Lancs. Borough Council are factually correct. It seems that nobody is saying that action needs to be taken to prevent this from happening again. It was stressed that whilst many people speak and complain about this, not everyone actually reports it. It is hoped that the Police will also have a log of reports that they have received, whilst Borough Councillor Jukes will ask West Lancs. Borough Council for a record of the reports they have received.

12. **WEST QUARRY & THE PAD** – Update – Northern Diver – Borough Councillor Jukes reported that, despite being the subject of an Enforcement Order at the moment, they have once again breached the order by making an addition to the car park they have created, in the form of a concrete plinth. Residents contacted Borough Councillor Jukes and the West Lancs. Borough Council Enforcement Officer, who issued a stop notice. Work undertaken at this site without the benefit of planning permission is currently with the Planning Inspectorate for determination. The Borough Council Enforcement Officer will be reporting the latest breach to the Inspectorate. The Environment Agency are also looking into this.

Update - Chorley Concrete – The current application is unlikely to go before the May Planning Committee. Today the residents reported a large spillage near Skull House Lane, which peppered stationary cars. The spillage is still there, and no action has as yet been taken by Lancashire County Council, West Lancs. Borough Council or the Environment Agency.

13. HIGHWAYS AND ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

- Japanese Knotweed is in the grass verge, on Mossy Lea Road, opposite Derby House entrance.
- Japanese Knotweed is in the grass verge on Courage Low Lane.
- Bollards have been placed on the damaged grass verge, near BP Garage, on Mossy Lea Road.
- The bus shelter opposite BP garage, on Mossy Lea Road, has not been cleaned yet.
- No grass verge cutting as has yet taken place in the village.
- An accident occurred at the junction of Courage Low Lane and Moss Lane, where long grass on the verges, obstructed sightlines.
- Grass verges on Crow Orchard Road, from the BP garage to St Joseph's church are overgrown.
- Speeding vehicles were again reported on Courage Low Lane, usually at weekends.

Standing Orders were lifted to allow PC Gordon Davies (851) to introduce himself – PC Davies introduced himself as the PC working with PCSO Neil Smith covering the rural areas, including Wrightington and Appley Bridge. He is aware of the issues with East and West Quarries and the highways issues ongoing in the Parish. He reported his access to a spreadsheet compiled by the Lancashire Partnership for Road Safety, and that both he and PCSO Smith have completed speed gun training but they can only implement this on roads with a 30mph speed limit and, there need to be 2 officers working together to address these issues, 1 in a car and 1 with the speed gun. Hotspots are now coming through on the spreadsheet, however, times of day are also required so that resources can be used effectively.

It was also reported that it was thought the installation of the red route on Hall Lane and Parbold Hill would be sufficient. However, enforcement and prosecution is required to make this effective. The red route also applies to the grass verges. PC Davies confirmed that he is happy to attend if he is on duty and he would like to send a response officer if at all possible. It was suggested that a warning letter could be sent to the offending vehicle owners with a view to prosecution should they park again. This would be difficult as each one would need to be treated as a separate case.

Councillor Jukes confirmed that she would like to do a walkabout of the Parish with PC Davies to point out issues and hotspots. PC Davies confirmed his own disappointment that the Police & Crime Commissioner had not replied to Councillor Jukes. He confirmed that the speed guns are also the most effective deterrent, but 2 Police personnel are required for this to be put in place. Councillor Jukes requested Police support in identifying how dangerous the pot holes in the Parish are making rural roads. PC Davies confirmed that he was sure that Inspector Bent would also support this. He agreed to check RTC statistics to see if they are in the vicinity of potholes. Councillors confirmed that there are many accidents occurring on roads such as Moss Lane, High Moor lane, Courage Low Lane, Toogood Lane and Tunley Lane, which go unreported, which makes this task more difficult.

The Meeting resumed.

- It was reported that in other areas it has been noted that often there is a residents' speed camera action group who undertake a Community Speed Watch – a community lead initiative. It was suggested this should come from the Community Association. Councillor House agreed to take this matter to an ABCA meeting.
- It was reported that the public footpath from Cardwell House Farm to High Moor Lane is obstructed with overgrowth which requires cutting back to prevent users walking in the fields.

14. REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES – Nothing to report.

15. VILLAGE HALLS

MOSSY LEA – Notification the caretaker's wages have increased in line with the National Minimum wage from April 2024 to £11.44 per hour – **Noted.**

The Council confirmed their agreement to the purchase and installation of a memorial bench on the play area adjacent to the village hall car park. Recycled materials would be most suitable. The Council will check if CIL money can be used to purchase this.

Councillor Burton asked the Parish Council to consider the installation of bifold doors on the back of the village hall which would allow village hall users to open these, onto a patio or decked area, with planters and possibly benches, thereby utilising the outdoor space as an extension to the village hall space. Councillor Burton suggested that CIL money could also be used to finance this project. Some Councillors could not

envisage when these doors would be used. There would also be financial implications for the Parish Council in proceeding with this. **Councillors agreed to discuss this on the next agenda.**

APPLEY BRIDGE – Notification the caretaker’s wages have increased in line with the National Minimum wage from April 2024 to £11.44 per hour – **Noted.** Initial inquiry about use of the hall for Infinite Women Group Sessions on a 3-month trial basis – **Resolved** – **it is not the Parish Councils policy to allow use of the village hall for free, or at a reduced rate.** Councillors feel it would be nice to have a group for men too Confirmation electric hand driers have now been fitted at both Village Hall – Successful Capital Bid – **Noted**

16. PLANNING To discuss the following applications:

1) 2024/0387/LDC Certificate of Lawfulness – Existing use of the agricultural barn as indicated on the submitted location plan (red edge) for equestrian purposes. Mossy Lea Farm, 248 Mossy Lea Road, Wrightington - **Resolved: No Objections.**

2) 2024/0351/PIP Application for Permission in Principle - Demolition of pub and erection of 3no. dwellings. Corner House, 9 Wrightington Bar, Wood Lane, Wrightington.

FOR NOTE: Notification of appeal against refusal of planning application for proposed rear single storey extension with flat roof. 39 Church Lane, Wrightington – **Resolved - The Council strongly object to the proposed PIP application. There have been no material changes in this area since the previous permission in principle was refused. The proposed development of 3 dwellings remains unsustainable development, as transport links are poor, and there is a distinct lack of facilities and amenities in the village e.g.: no shops, no doctors’ surgery, no chemist, etc. The Parish Council consider that the proposals would still constitute over development of the site and would create over-intensification development. In addition, the loss of the community asset brings the sustainability of the location into question. The submission documentation fails to provide adequate justification for the loss of the community facility and fails to demonstrate that the facility is no longer needed. The density of 3 houses on the site remains unacceptable. It is difficult to see how parking for the proposed dwellings could be created within the confines of the site boundaries. In addition, providing parking for 3 dwellings will result in the creation of exits straight onto Mossy Lea Road, Wood Lane or Carr House Lane. No access onto any of these 3 roads would be considered safe and would compromise highway safety for the residents of the 3 proposed dwellings, but also for all road users. Furthermore, the planning document which accompanies this PIP application does not demonstrate why the density should be considered acceptable for the size of the plot. The Parish Councils objections to these proposals remain in place.**

17. LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS – Details of upcoming training events were reported – **Noted.**

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

For Payment:

Mrs J Rogers	Honorarium Booking Treasurer ABVH (April-Nov)	£200.00
Mr R Hampson	Honorarium Treasurer ABVH (Nov-March)	£125.00
Mrs C Cross	Honorarium Booking Secretary ABVH – (April-Nov)	£200.00
Mrs S Winnard	Honorarium Booking Secretary (ABVH – (Dec-March)	£100.00
Mrs C Cross	Honorarium Booking Secretary MLVH	£300.00
Mrs C Hodgkinson	Honorarium Treasurer MLVH – (April-Nov)	£200.00
Mrs C Cross	Honorarium Treasurer MLVH – (Jan-March)	£75.00
Mr F Johnson	Reimburse cost of Window Cleaning MLVH	£20.00
Matrix FSE Ltd	Supply & Installation Hand Driers – MLVH - £751.20)	
Matrix FSE Ltd	Supply & Installation Hand Driers – ABVH - £1,188.00)	£1,939.20
Clear Ins. Ltd	Annual Insurance Premium or (£1,862.94 3 yrs.)	£1,919.16
Charnock Richard PC	Reimburse Broadband/Landline/Mobile Phone Charges (2 months)	£63.33
Mrs C A Cross	Clerk’s Salary – Net	£1,133.57
HM Rev. & Customs	Tax & NI due	£96.90

Dale Burton	Grounds Maintenance – ABVH	£350.00
D/D NEST	Pension Contributions (employer + employee)	£60.93
D/D BT	Broadband MLVH & ABVH	£64.13
D/D British Gas	Gas supplied ABVH	£617.94
D/D British Gas Lite	Gas supplied MLVH	£251.71
D/D Waterplus	Water usage MLVH	£48.27
D/D Waterplus	Water usage ABVH	£41.25
D/D ICO	Data Protection Fee	£35.00

Receipts:

West Lancs. BC	CIL	£1,940.57
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The Bank Reconciliation up-to 31/3/24, Income & Expenditure Account and Balance Sheet, Financial Statement and Annual Governance Statement (AGAR) for the year ending 31 March 2024, were presented to the Council for approval as an accurate statement of accounts prior to submission to the external auditors.

Resolved: Payment and Receipt of the above accounts is approved. That the Bank Reconciliation up-to 31/3/24, Income & Expenditure Account and Balance Sheet, Financial Statement, Accounting Statement 2023/24 and Annual Governance Statement on the Annual Return (AGAR) for External Audit for the year ending 31 March 2024, presented to the Council by the Clerk, be approved as an accurate statement of accounts for submission to the external auditors.

The Clerk presented Councillors with a financial report (attached) indicating the impact of the above payments on the Parish Council finances. **Resolved:** The financial report was accepted.

19. DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED: That the next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 17 June 2024 at Mossy Lea Village Hall at 7:30 pm.

Minutes 1 to 20 will be accepted as a correct record and signed by the Chairman at the Meeting to be held on Monday 17 June 2024. Members of the Public and Press are welcome to attend

20. APPOINTMENT OF PARISH COUNCILLOR – MOSSY LEA WARD & CLERK TO THE PARISH COUNCIL

Resolved – Due to the sensitive nature of some of the information to be discussed, members of the public were asked to leave the Meeting during these discussions.

The Clerk read aloud the details of the 2 applications received. Councillors Burton and Juckes declared a personal interest in the applications as they each knew one of the applicants. They took part in discussions but did not take part in voting on the appointment of a Mossy Lea Ward Councillor. Councillors agreed that another co-option will be taking place shortly, following the resignation of Councillor Shaw. Councillors agreed it is important that the applicant knows the ward, whilst also taking on the role of a Wrightington Parish Councillor. It was agreed that this is a factor to be considered but is not necessarily a determining factor. It was pointed out that Councillors should take care not to tilt the balance of the Parish Council towards either ward. It was pointed out that often the Parish Council Agenda tilts towards Appley Bridge matters and seems a little unfair on Mossy Lea. Councillors discussed the both applications in detail.

The public were invited back into the Meeting during voting on the appointment of a Parish Councillor – Applicants were identified as applicant a) and applicant b) – Voting took place and it was **Resolved** – **Applicant a) is appointed to the Parish Council with effect from the June Parish Council Meeting. Applicant a) Mr Lee Burton will take up his role as Mossy Lea Ward Councillor from the June Parish Council Meeting.**

Clerk to the Parish Council – The Clerk reported that 3 applications had been received, however, due to a variety of circumstances, the Chairman, Councillor Juckes, and the Clerk interviewed Mr John Ashurst for the role of Clerk to the Parish Council. Following the interview, the Chairman and Councillor Juckes agreed that Mr Ashurst be offered the role of Clerk to Wrightington Parish Council.

Resolved – **The Parish Council agree with the choice of Councillors Burton and Juckes, and accepted the appointment of Mr John Ashurst to the role of Clerk to the Parish Council. The Clerk will draw up the contract. It was hoped that the appointment would be effective from 1st of June, however, due to the current demands of the Clerk’s role with year-end finances,**

internal and external audit, compiling the Minutes for the Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, setting up the new website and email addresses for the Clerk and Councillors, and drawing up the new Clerk's contract, the new Clerk will take up office with effect from Monday 10th June 2024, with a cross-over period with the retiring Clerk of approximately 2 weeks, to allow for the completion of the internal audit and submission of documents to the external auditors.

Meeting Close: 10.00pm

Chairman:

Date:

REPORT 1

- a) Notification planning permission granted for variation of condition 5 of planning permission 2018/0632/FUL relating to lighting schedule. Tunley Moss Farm, 10 Tunley Lane, Wrightington.
- b) Notification prior approval is NOT required for extension to dwellinghouse. Extension extends beyond the rear wall of the original dwellinghouse by 3.60m. Max. height of extension 3.65m. Height of eaves of extension 2.34m. 38 Toogood Lane, Wrightington.
- c) Notification of planned road closure, Higher Lane, Dalton, 9.30am-5.30pm, 21/5/24 to enable pole testing works to be undertaken.
- d) Notification of proposed continuous road closure, Lees Lane, Dalton from 12/6/24-14/6/24 to enable water connection replacement works to be undertaken.
- e) Notification of planned daily road closure, Stoney Lane, Parbold, 8.00am-6.00pm each day, 17/6/24-21/6/24 to enable carriageway resurfacing works to be undertaken.
- f) Notification of West Lancs. BC consultation on their Draft Homelessness & Rough Sleeper Strategy.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION TO SUPPORT THE MAY 2024 AGENDA

Correspondence a)

“Thank you for your email regarding the parish council's concerns about the way we repair the county's carriageway.

I answer to your main point, unfortunately, some repairs we undertake can fail. This happens for various reasons, not least because we sometimes must press ahead with repairs in less-than-ideal weather conditions. Moisture ingress is one of our considerations when we carry out surface repairs. We acknowledge that the network has suffered considerable damage in 2023/2024 resulting in unprecedented number of defects. The rate of deterioration has been significantly exacerbated by the high rainfall levels which have been between 135% and 175% of the recorded seasonal average since the summer of 2023 and throughout the winter period. Please be assured that we are continuing to work through repairing all the pothole defects that we have identified.

As well as traditional methods, we use several innovative approaches to ensure we carry out repairs quickly, cost effectively, and with minimal waste. One such method is known as an 'infill' repair. We use this method in certain circumstances, usually where it would be impractical to cut around a defect to create a neat repair. We first clean out the existing hole, before applying a liquid bitumen emulsion to the bottom and sides. We then fill the hole with new bitumen. When the repair sets, the liquid emulsion helps provide a substantial seal extending the full depth of the joint. Whilst this method may not provide a neat finish, it does provide a long-lasting repair. Further information about our repair methods, is available online at:

Potholes - Lancashire County Council.

As you are aware, the government announced plans to cancel the Birmingham to Manchester leg of the "HS2" high speed rail project on 4 October 2023. They also revealed plans to reinvest any funds saved into Network North. We do not yet know how much funding Lancashire may receive, or how that funding should be spent. However, I can assure you that we will make a compelling case for the county to receive support for our highest priority transport schemes. These will help bring significant benefits to the county's economy, businesses, and residents.

Regarding next steps on any business case development work for Network North, we will be considering the widest range of schemes and priorities carefully once we have the necessary government guidance and any indicative allocations.”

Wrightington Parish Council - Monthly Financial Report - to April 2024

		Budgeted	April	May	June	July	August	Sept.	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	Expenditure	Balance	VAT
		2023/24													To date	Remaining	
Staff Salary (Gross) for 14.5 hrs p wk w/e/f Apr 24		£15,226.00	Gross £1,133.77	£1,133.57													
Employee HMRC + Pension Paymants			£63.20	£63.40											£2,393.94	£12,832.06	CR
Employer HMRC + Pension Payments		£450	£94.43	£94.43											£188.86	£261.14	CR
Insurance Premiums		£2,134.55		£1,919.16											£1,919.16	£215.39	CR
Donations		£300.00														£300.00	CR
Biodiversity Grant																	CR
LALC Subscriptions		£510.00	£522.93												£522.93	-£12.93	DR
CPRE & Open Spaces Subs & OPSTA		£115.00	£60.00												£60.00	£55.00	CR
SLCC & any other subs		£150.00														£150.00	CR
Remembrance Day Expenses (+10%)		£61.26														£61.26	CR
Remembrance Wreaths		£30.00														£30.00	CR
Audit (External + Internal)		£425.00														£425.00	CR
Election Expenses (uncontested)		0															
Admin	Stationery/ICO)	£1,000.00		£35.00											98.33	£901.67	
	Copying)																
	Training)																
	Printer)																
	Newsletter)																
	Mobile Phone)			£33.71													
	Broadbnad/Landline)			£29.62													
Office Equipment																	
Mileage		£275.00													0	£275.00	CR
Website		£500.00													0	£500.00	CR
Bus Shelters - Litter Bins	)	£500.00	£2,000.00												0	£2,000.00	CR
Signs - Seats	)	£500.00															
Notice Boards	)	£500.00															
Parks & Open Spaces	)	£500.00															
Defibrillators & Defib Boxes		£1,000.00													0	£1,000.00	CR
MLVH	Running Costs	£3,000.00													477.93	£2,522.07	CR
	Gas		£167.54	£239.72													£20.37
	Electricity																
	Water - Paid from VH Account																
	Broadband		£23.95	£26.72													£10.13
	Sanitary Products																
	Window Cleaning			£20.00													
	Extinguishers																
	Gas Safety Cert.																
	Cleaning Materials																
	Work at the VH	£1,500.00													£626.00	£874.00	CR
	Drain Cleaning																
	Installation of Hand Driers			£626.00													£125.20
	Honorarium to VH Officers	£600.00		£575.00											£575.00	£25.00	CR
	MLVH - Planting & Maintenance	£800.00													0	£800.00	CR

ABVH	Running Costs		£4,400.00					)	£1,261.70	£3,138.30		CR
	Gas			£541.50	£588.52			)				£120.91
	Electricity)				
	Water			£39.76	£41.25)				
	Broadband			£23.95	£26.72			)				£10.14
	Sanitary Products)				
	Window Cleaning)				
	Extinguishers)				
	Gas Safety Cert.)				
	Cleaning Materials)				
	Lease of ABVH)				
	Christmas Tree)				
	Work at the VH		£1,500.00					)	£1,050.00	£450.00		CR
	Replace Security Light			£60.00)				£12.00
	Installation of Hand Driers				£990.00)				£198.00
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	Honarium to VH Officers		£600.00		£625.00)	£625.00	-£25.00		CR
	ABVH - Planting & Maintenance		£1,550.00		£350.00)	£350.00	£1,200.00		CR
Additional Items Budgeted For 2023/24:												
	Car Park ABVH		£1,500.00					)		£1,500.00		CR
	Picnic Tables AB play area incl install		£1,500.00					)	0	£1,500.00		CR
	Website & Email addresses		£0.00)				
	Hand Driers (Capital Bid if successful)		£485.00)		£485.00		CR
TOTAL EXPENDITURE			£41,611.81						£10,148.85	£31,462.96	496.75	
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Estimated Income 2024/25												
	Precept (incl. top up grant)		£22,300.00									
	Concurren same		£2,381									
	VAT reclaimed											
	Bank Interest											
	CIL		£1,940.57									
Biodiversity Grant												
	West Lancs. BC - CIL											
	WLBC Capital Bid	est. 1131	£1,131.00									
Total Known Inc. 2024/25			£27,752.57									
										CHAIRMAN:		
										DATE:		