

# WRIGHTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

At the Interim Meeting of the Council of the Parish of Wrightington held on Monday 15 August 2016 at Mossy Lea Village Hall at 7.30 pm, to discuss specific matters arising between scheduled Parish Council Meetings, the following were present:

Councillors: Mrs J Burton (Chairman), Mr F Hodgkinson, Mr F Johnson, Mr J Clinch and Mr P Gartside. Also present Sgt Andy Bramhall.

47. **APOLOGIES** - Were received and accepted from Councillor House (Holidays).
48. **POLICING FOR REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 2016** – Sgt Bramhall outlined that there were so many Police Officers deployed to assist with Policing the large number of Remembrance Day Parades and gatherings in West Lancashire in 2015, that there were insufficient numbers of Police Officers left to attend to 999 calls on that day. Sgt Bramhall is therefore looking at a way of rationalising the way Remembrance Sunday events are policed. Traditionally, some officers give up their rest days to Police these events. However, this year Sgt Bramhall is looking at sending teams of officers from one event to the next so that all the events can be covered using only 12 officers. He is aiming to achieve the same objectives with fewer officers. In order to achieve this however, 2 Parishes have received a request to change the time of their event, Wrightington being one of those asked. Sgt Bramhall explained that in his opinion after 2018 Policing at Remembrance Sunday events will cease unless it can be shown that adequate Policing can be undertaken using as few personnel as possible. Sgt Bramhall asked whether it may be possible to start the Wrightington Remembrance Parade early otherwise, he will need to secure 2 more officers to Police our event. Councillors explained that our event goes well every year and the feeling was that our Parish was being penalised for the benefit of other areas. Some felt that it was completely out of the question to change the time of the Remembrance Day Parade as the whole point of the parade is that those attending walk to the War Memorial for the service and the act of Remembrance at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour, as is tradition. To move the timing forward would be ridiculous. Others present felt that it was unnecessary for the Police to be present for the duration of the whole event and suggested that the Police escort participants down to the war memorial, then they leave to attend the Remembrance Day gathering in Upholland, following which, they would return to Appley Bridge to escort participants back up Appley Lane North to the Village Hall. It was stressed that there had been no incidents at the Remembrance Day Parade in the past 20+ years and pointed out, that some inconsiderate motorists have tried to ignore the road closure order even when there is a Police presence. The Chairman asked Sgt Bramhall if he could ask Upholland PC if they could adjust the timing of their gathering to coincide with adjustments to ours if this will allow Police Officers to Police both events safely or, ask his Inspector to allocate 2 more officers to Police the Wrightington Remembrance Day Parade. Sgt Bramhall agreed to do this and report back to the Clerk. The Chairman thanked Sgt Bramhall for attending and for his patience during discussions.
49. **UPDATE/PROGRESS WITH THE PURCHASE OF DEFIBRILLATORS** – The Clerk confirmed discussions with the defibrillator company & cabinet manufacturers and prices quoted by Mrs Murrin Bailey as correct. The Clerk reported on more expensive defibrillators suggested by the Ambulance Service. They are more complicated to look at and some have verbal prompts whilst others have pictures to prompt. Councillors present were concerned that in the event of an emergency, anyone finding themselves using a defibrillator could be confused or panicked if there is too much going on, and they are trying to listen to, and act on, instructions from the ambulance service. It was confirmed that the Lifepack CR+ is simple to use and robust, it does the job, has an 8 year guarantee and, if/when they stop manufacturing them suppliers are obliged to support them for a further 6-7 years. These models are also compatible with North West Ambulance Service models. The Parish Council agreed to purchase the Lifepack CR+ defibrillators as they are the same as those already in the village halls. This will mean training delivered will all be on the same model of defibrillator. Key coded cabinets, with lighting and heating to prevent freezing in the winter months, will be purchased to house a total of 5 defibrillators.

**50. PLANNING** To discuss the following applications:

- 1) 2016/0750/FUL Erection of agricultural building (resubmission of planning permission (Case 1981200) 2015/0397/FUL. Tunley Brook Barn, Mossy Lea Road, Wrightington. **Resolved: No objections.**
- 2) 2016/0587/FUL Erection of stable building and extension to existing menage. Charity Farm Smithy Brow, Wrightington. **Resolved: No objections.**
- 3) 2016/0743/FUL External refurbishment and extension of shop. BP Connect Crow Orchard Service Station, Crow Orchard Road, Wrightington. **Resolved: The Parish Council object to these proposals as they are likely to increase the number of vehicles visiting the site which will compromise the safety of both motorists and pedestrians using the garage and shop. The Council also object to the loss of parking spaces to the left hand side of the shop. Parking provision will therefore be totally inadequate for the facility they are proposing to create. This area is currently used by delivery vehicles, staff parking and Police vehicles. Nowhere in the proposals is there mention of where these vehicles will now park.**
- 4) 2016/0768/FUL Proposed side extension, pitched roofs to existing garage and dining bay, new vehicular access and hardstanding. 128 Appley Lane North, Appley Bridge. **Resolved: No objections.**
- 5) 2016/0603/FUL Change of use of roof from built up felt flat roof to pitched tiled roof with attic storage to existing detached garage. Mayholme, 17 Broadhurst Lane, Wrightington. **Resolved: No objections.**
- 6) 2016/0840/FUL Alterations and extensions including external work. 1A Appley Lane South (Case 1981217) Appley Bridge. **Resolved: No objections.**

Adjoining Authority application – L/2016/0332/AAA – 16/00614/FUL – Chorley Council Planning Application - Part-retrospective application for the change of use of barn to use for corporate entertainment in connection with a shooting school, and an office and storage space for use in connection with the farm businesses, and associated car parking. Swifts House Farm Bentley Lane Heskin Chorley. **Resolved - The Parish Council object to these proposals, as they have done in the past, as the access to the site is completely inadequate with extremely poor sight lines and, the proposals would result in over development of the site which would have a detrimental impact on the Green Belt and rural nature of the surrounding land.**

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

**For Payment:**

AB Pensrs Soc. Club	Donation		£100.00
Collings & Darwell	Newsletters		£175.00
CSI Security	PAT Testing and Fire Alarm Testing – ABVH & MLVH		£369.00
United Utilities	Water Charges – ABVH		£59.94
Mrs Cross	Reimburse cost of printer inks (50%)		£14.40
Mrs C A Cross	Clerk's Salary – Net		£733.77
HM Rev. & Customs	Tax & NI due by Clerk	£24.56	
	NI due by Parish Council	£11.36	£35.92

**Resolved: Payment of the above accounts be approved.**

**52. DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING**

RESOLVED: That the next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 19 September 2016 at Mossy Lea Village Hall at 7:30 pm.

Minutes 47 to 52 will be accepted as a correct record and signed by the Chairman at the Meeting to be held on Monday 19 September 2016.

Members of the public are welcome to attend

Meeting Closed: 9.30 pm

Chairman:

Date: