

# ULNES WALTON PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD 11 APRIL 2005

### **In Attendance:**

Cllr D Ormerod (Chairman), Cllr Mrs D Todd, Cllr Mrs E Doran, Cllr P Mortimer, Cllr J Ascroft and Cllr D Williams

### **Also Present:**

Mrs L Rowett (Clerk)  
3 residents and 1 Borough Councillor

### **57/05 Apologies**

There were no apologies as all Members were present.

### **58/05 Declaration of Interest**

Members were asked to consider any personal/prejudicial interests they may have to disclose in respect of any matters under consideration at the meeting. There were no disclosures.

### **59/05 Minutes of the Last Meeting**

Minutes of a meeting held on 14 March 2005 were accepted and signed as a true record.

### **60/05 Matters Arising on the Minutes (not elsewhere on the agenda)**

#### a) The Old School (Item 41/05)

The flyers had been distributed, thanks were recorded to the deliverers.

#### b) Glover Close Development (Item 41/05c)

The site had still not been purchased a delay had occurred with the Home Office Solicitor.

#### c) Boundary Signs (Item 41/05d)

A decision was still awaited on the grant application, a delays had occurred due to the criteria being recently changed.

It was noted that sign had appeared in the verge on Ulnes Walton Lane where it was intended to locate the Heritage sign.

#### d) Transfer of Doctors (Item 41/05f)

The issue was now at a national level. There was little else the Parish Council could do unless the resident made a formal complaint.

#### e) Road Safety Issues – Ulnes Walton Lane (Item 43/05b)

A telephone call had been received from the County Council apologising for the delay in dealing with the business plan items, it had been requested that the matters be outlined again in writing and then they would be treated with priority.

#### f) The Green Centre

A letter had been received inviting representatives of the Parish Council to a meeting on the 14 April to discuss a business plan. It was agreed that it was too short notice to expect anyone to attend and make constructive comment especially as there was no agenda. Initial consideration of

the plan gave rise to some reservation and concern was expressed as there appeared to be an assumption that the Parish Council had agreed to join the project which was not the case.

It was resolved that further copies of the plan should be obtained with a view to circulating so that a more considered response could be formulated.

g) Green Partnership Awards – Celebration of Achievement (Item 45/05)

The Clerk would be attending accompanied by Pauline Coan, Janet and Peter Royle.

h) Parish Council/ Borough Liaison Meeting 20 January 2005 (Item 46/05)

There had been no reply to the letter regarding Planning Enforcement, it was agreed that before contacting the ODPM support for this issue was needed from neighbouring parishes and it was suggested this should be tabled as an item for the next LAPTIC Area Committee.

i) Parish Plan Implementation (Item 51/05) Twinning

There was still no progress with this matter.

j) Prison Screening (Item 54/05)

Regrettably there had been no reply to the Clerks letters, concern was expressed that after the initial constructive dialogue the issues were now being ignored.

It was agreed that the Minister for Prisons should be contacted.

#### **61/05 QP Investment Fund**

The Clerk briefed on the progress being made to spend the grant, most of the equipment had now been purchased, but the mobile loop system was presenting a problem.

#### **62/05 Parish Assembly**

Members approved the draft Annual Report and noted the arrangements for the Parish Assembly. A speaker had to be confirmed but it was hoped an Officer from HMP Wymott would be attending.

#### **63/05 Prison Liaison Panel**

Members noted the content of a very disappointing letter received from the Chief Executive of Chorley Borough in relation to the request that the responsibility for the Prison Liaison Panel be delegated to the Parish Council. Advice had been sought from NALC who had suggested making another approach with letters of support from those concerned and also the MP. It was agreed this should be the course of action.

The suggestion that a local panel be established was noted but concern was expressed that this would mean entering into the realms of double taxation.

#### **64/05 Dog Waste Bin**

Members are asked to note the disappointing content of an email from the Borough Council in relation to the request for a dog waste bin on the Wymott Estate. The Clerk was asked to point out to the Borough that this could have been an issue easily resolved by the Prison Liaison Panel.

#### **65/05 Sand Extraction – Euxton**

Cllrs Ormerod and Doran reported on the recent consultation event they had attended. The main impact for Ulnes Walton would be the increase in the number of vehicles using the road, but Tarmac had given assurances that this would be minimal. It was agreed that a copy of the planning application be obtained and if the closing date is short a special meeting be held to consider.

**66/05 Parish Plan Implementation**

Action for Ulnes Walton had secured a grant of £17,000 to deliver the Wild Flower and Bee Project. Work cannot commence until the letter of confirmation is received later in the month.

**67/05 CCTV System**

Members noted an invitation received from Cllr Mary Wilson Chair of the Community Safety Partnership to attend a demonstration of the new CCTV system in Chorley.

**68/05 Chorley and South Ribble District Hospital**

Members noted the content of the letters received from Lindsay Hoyle MP.

**69/05 Planning**

Application for the removal of an agricultural restriction of the Homestead Holker Lane had been withdrawn.

**70/05 Finance**

Approval was given to the following items - L Rowett £261.57 - salary March this included additional hours worked for Action for Ulnes Walton; Inland Revenue £73.77 – clerks tax element; L Rowett - £49.79; LAPTC subscription 05/06 - £173.68. Quality Parish Investment Fund - £18.00 Neill Thompson fixing cabinet; Evesham Technology – computer equipment £2511.85; NWA V – presentation equipment £481.16; L Rowett expenses - £21.78.

**71//05 Matters of Concern**

- a) Wymott and Garth Club AGM

The meeting had taken place recently and it had been announced that a 10 year lease had been agreed to be reviewed after 5 years. It was agreed that the Club Committee should be congratulated.

- b) Noise at the Prison

It was noted that the problems had arisen again and Cllr Ascroft intended to write on a personal basis to complain.

- c) Draft Housing Strategy.

Cllr Ascroft briefed on the comments made about the document and he was thanked for his efforts in taking the time to consider the document.

**72/05 Borough Councillors Report**

Cllr Iddon commented that the neighbouring villages were having similar problems with Planning Enforcement.

**73/05 Date and Time of Next Meeting**

It was agreed that the next meeting should be convened for Monday 9 May 2005 at approx 7.45pm, to be preceded at 7.00 pm by the Annual Parish Assembly.

Signed ..... Date.....