

ULNES WALTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Annual General Meeting and Full Council Meeting held on Monday 10 May 2010 at the Old School, Ulnes Walton Lane, Ulnes Walton @ 7.30 pm.

Present: Cllr D Todd, Cllr E Doran, Cllr B Pickthall, Cllr D Ormerod, Cllr D Williams and Cllr G Bird
In Attendance: John Dalton, Chairman of Youth Engagement Working Party

Cllr D Todd opened the meeting and chaired item 071/10.

071/10 Election of Chairman and Signing of Acceptance of Office

It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr E Doran be nominated to the office of Chairman for the year 2010/11. Declaration of Acceptance of Office was duly signed.

Cllr Doran took the Chair.

072/10 Election of Vice Chairman and Signing of Acceptance of Office

It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr B Pickthall be nominated to the office of Vice Chairman for the year 2010/11. Declaration of Acceptance of Office was duly signed.

Members declared a vote of thanks to Cllr Dorothy Todd for her contribution and direction as Chairman over the past 12 months. A further vote of thanks was extended to Cllr Derek Ormerod for taking the minutes of the previous parish council meeting.

073/10 Apologies

None.

074/10 Declaration of Interest

No declarations made.

075/10 Minutes of Last Council Meeting

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Council Meeting of 12 April 2010 were accepted as being an accurate record of the meeting and the Chairman signed the minutes on behalf of the Parish Council. A minor grammatical amendment was recorded in item 061/10.

The Council **RESOLVED** to adjourn the Parish Council Meeting to allow public participation.

076/10 Residents Surgery

A request was made to include the item of a village clean up day/skip day on a future agenda.

077/10 Updates from County and/or Borough Councillors

There were no reports from District or County Councillors.

078/10 Police Update

There were no reports from the local neighbourhood Policing team.

079/10 Progress on Youth Engagement Project

The Chairman welcomed Mr J Dalton to give a progress report on the Youth Engagement project. The project is progressing with enthusiasm. A suggestion was made to invite the young people to a parish council meeting in autumn to continue the work that has already started with this sector of our community.

The Council agreed to re-convene the Parish Council Meeting to continue with Parish Council business.

080/10 Planning

080.01/10 – Members noted the following decisions: -

Application #	Decision	Location	Development
None			

080.02/10 – New Applications

Application #	Location	Proposed Development
None		

081/10 Finance

081.1/10 Payments

It was **RESOLVED** to pay the following payments.

Value	Payable To	Description
£132.99	A Partington	April 2010 Salary – Clerk
£33.25	Inland Revenue	Tax April 2010 Salary – Clerk
£72.79	Chorley Council	Dog Bin Annual Charge
£2726.00	Groundwork Lancashire West & Wigan	Groundwork on Trail (gate / bollards)
£1821.25	Hill Climb Activities Ltd	Youth Engagement Day Activities

The meeting noted that the dog bin annual charge would need to be included in the precept for future years.

The meeting noted that in relation to the cheque for Groundwork, the Clerk was to seek agreement with them before sending the cheque, that once the dispute with the Worden Estate was resolved satisfactorily, Groundwork would deploy a team to ensure the gate was adequately strengthened and the hinges were in full working order and the gate was not sagging/dropping in any way. The Clerk was asked to email LCC Land Agent to seek an update on progress with the Worden Estate.

Authority was given to the Clerk to raise cheques during the next month for the Youth Engagement Day activities if required. A full account of this would be presented at the next meeting.

The issue of electronic banking was briefly discussed. It was noted this item should be included on a future agenda and the October meeting was suggested.

081.2/10 Monitoring Statement

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the updated financial monitoring statement for the year ended 31 March 2010 and the monitoring statement for the period to 10 May 2010. The Chairman signed both copies on behalf of the Parish Council.

081.3/10 Annual Return for Year Ended 31 March 2010

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the Statement of Accounts and Annual Governance Statement on the Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2010. The Chairman and Clerk signed the Annual Return on behalf of the Parish Council. The Clerk will now progress with the Internal Audit.

081.04/10 Precept 2010/11

The Clerk confirmed receipt of the annual precept for 2010/11 from Chorley Council in the sum of £5,365.00.

082/10 Correspondence (for information purposes)

A list of correspondence received to 14.05.10 was tabled to the meeting. Cllr Ormerod provided a brief overview of the NHS Ownership Programme and suggested individuals may wish to register.

083/09 Appointment to LALC Chorley Area Committee

It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Todd and Cllr Doran would continue to be the Parish Council's representatives on the LALC Chorley Area Committee and attend meetings for the next year. The Clerk was asked to request a schedule of meeting dates.

084/09 Borough/Parish Liaison Meetings

It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Williams and Cllr Ormerod would be the Parish Council's representatives on the Borough/Parish Liaison and attend meetings for the next year. A schedule of meeting dates would be provided to the Councillors.

085/09 Meeting Dates for 2009/10

It was **RESOLVED** that the meeting dates for 2010/11 would be 12 April 2010, 10 May 2010, 12 May 2010 (Annual Parish Assembly), 14 June 2010, 12 July 2010, *August - No Meeting*, 13 September 2010, 11 October 2010, 8 November 2010, 13 December 2010, *January – No Meeting*, 14 February 2011, 14 March 2011, 11 April 2011 and 9 May 2011.

086/10 Planning Committee

Members reviewed the current arrangements in place for reviewing planning applications. Currently a Planning Committee is in place which can be convened within 3 working days if application deadlines fall outside the normal parish council meeting dates. A quorum of 3 members is required for this committee to be lawful and they have the authority to respond to the relevant planning

authority on behalf of the Parish Council for all matters considered. It was **RESOLVED** to maintain this arrangement. If any applications arrive in between parish council meeting dates, the Clerk is to email all Members and circulate the plans and if required arrangement for a Planning Committee Meeting to be called.

087/10 Insurance Renewal

Members reviewed the insurance arrangements for the year 2010/11. It was **RESOLVED** to renew the insurance arrangements with Allianz Insurance in the sum of £321.83. [Note: this premium was further reduced to £288.14 following further negotiation].

088/10 Annual Report

Members considered and reviewed the Annual Report and approved the content. It was **RESOLVED** to approve the cost of £34.00 for printing. Copies are to be made available at the Parish Assembly and then distributed with the next newsletter.

089/10 Holker Lane

Members discussed the increasing volumes of commercial vehicles using Holker Lane and the problems it causes with oncoming traffic on Ulnes Walton Lane when turning. Members felt the carriage way was sinking and severely being damaged. Members agreed to take photographs of the damaged highway and send to Lancashire Highways to ask what remedial repairs could be undertaken.

090/10 Bowland Pennine Mountain Rescue Team

After consideration and a review of the financial position, it was decided that the Parish Council were unable at this time to offer a donation to the Bowland Pennine Mountain Rescue Team. The meeting briefly discussed the possibility of funding being available from the YED activity.

091/10 Date of Next Meeting (for information)

The date of the next Parish Council Meeting is scheduled for Monday 14 June 2010, commencing at 7.30 pm to be held at the Old School.

Cllr Ormerod offered apologies for absence for the meeting on 14 June 2010.

Cllr Doran offered personal thanks to Cllr Todd for being Chairman over the last 12 months.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 9.30pm.

Signed:

Dated: