

ULNES WALTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Full Council Meeting held on Monday 11 October 2010 at the Old School, Ulnes Walton Lane, Ulnes Walton @ 7.30 pm.

Present: Cllr E Doran (Chairman), Cllr B Pickthall (Vice Chairman), Cllr D Ormerod and Cllr D Williams
In Attendance: A Partington (Clerk),

Cllr Doran extended her thanks to Cllr Pickthall for taking up the role of Chairman at the September 2010 meeting.

141/10 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Dorothy Todd and Cllr Graham Bird.

142/10 Declaration of Interest

Cllr Doran declared a personal interest in relation to agenda item 152/10 regarding Holker Lane. Cllr Doran declared she was related to some residents on Holker Lane.

143/10 Minutes of Last Council Meeting

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 13 September 2010 were accepted as being an accurate record of the meeting and the Chairman signed the minutes on behalf of the Parish Council.

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

144/10 Residents Surgery

The Clerk reported that at the recent LAPTC Chorley Area Committee, she had discussed with Inspector Harris the matter of empty drug packets/alcohol bottles being found near the River Lostock and the wish of the Parish Council to escalate the matter to a senior police officer. The Clerk advised that she has received an email confirmation that the matter is being addressed with the local community policing team and the resident involved will be kept fully informed.

It was suggested that the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme be promoted in the December newsletter. Suggested that information should be obtained from the Local Community Policing Team.

It was suggested that an item should be included on the agenda for the next meeting to discuss the potential youth council and how interest can be stimulated.

It was suggested that an item should be included on the agenda for the next meeting to discuss the responses received from the Prison Service regarding the grazing sheep in the wooded area surrounding the prisons.

The meeting briefly discussed an invitation received to attend a meeting in Croston on 9 November 2010 with Chorley Council, partners and other western parish councils to identify whether there are any intergenerational projects that could be developed in the area. Cllr Ormerod agreed to attend on behalf of the Parish Council.

The meeting noted that Cllr Doran had cleaned the bench near the bus stop at the corner of Leyland Lane and had cut back all the weeds. It was noted that maintenance would be required on this bench going forward and a suitable amount should be budgeted for when preparing the 2011 precept.

The meeting requested the Clerk obtain an update from Planning Enforcement regarding roadside advertising in Ulnes Walton. It was further suggested that the Clerk should seek an update regarding the tree at the entrance to Barlow's Trailers and advertisements which had been placed on the railings at the start of Ulnes Walton Lane.

The Clerk suggested that in preparation for the precept discussions, she would pull together some costings for a Lengthsman. The suggestion was to sub-contract the services of a Lengthsman from a neighbouring parish council, eliminating issues such as training, employment issues, insurance, etc, and merely sub-contract the services on a needs basis.

145/10 Updates from County and/or Borough Councillors

None present.

146/10 Police Update

None present and no update provided.

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

147/10 Planning

147.01/10 – Members noted the following decisions: -

Application #	Decision	Location	Development
10/00779/AGR	Application Withdrawn	Denizes Farm, Southport Rd, Ulnes Walton, PR26 8LP	Prior notification for the erection of a lean to extension

147.02/10 – New Applications

Application #	Location	Proposed Development
10/00779/AGR	Denizes Farm, Southport Rd, Ulnes Walton, PR26 8LP	Prior notification for the erection of a lean to extension
10/00778/FUL	Ring o Bells, Leyland Lane, Ulnes Walton, PR26 8LB	Erection of single storey rear extension to create a new dining kitchen plan area
10/00780/FUL	Denizes Farm, Southport Road, Ulnes Walton, PR26 8LP	Full planning application for the erection of a three sided agricultural building.
10/00722/FUL	Ridley House, Ridley Lane, Ulnes Walton	Erection of a first floor side extension to create new master bedroom and en suite. Erection of a single storey rear extension to create an enlarged kitchen. Amendment submitted to show the finishing on the proposed extension and confirmation of the demolition of the attached side garage.

The meeting reviewed the above applications and **RESOLVED** to approve with no comments.

148/10 Finance

148.1/10 Payments

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

Value	Payable To	Description
£132.99	A Partington	September 2010 Salary
£33.25	Inland Revenue	Tax for September 2010
£66.46	A Partington	Postage & Norton 360 Subscription for PC
£141.00	BDO LLP	External Audit for Year Ended 31.03.10

£373.70

148.2/10 Monitoring Statement

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the monitoring statement for the period to 11 October 2010 and the Chairman signed the copy on behalf of the Parish Council.

149/10 Correspondence (for information purposes)

A list of correspondence received from 14.09.10 to 11.10.10 was tabled to the meeting.

150/10 External Audit – 31 March 2010

Members noted that the Audit for the year ended 31 March 2010 was now concluded by BDO LLP and the relevant statutory notices would be displayed in the Parish. It was **RESOLVED** to approve and accept the Annual Return for the Year Ended 31 March 2010. Members received a copy of issues arising from the audit issued by BDO LLP which made recommendations with regards to the future disclosure of fixed assets and the level of fidelity guarantee insurance. It was **RESOLVED** that the current level of fidelity guarantee insurance at £6,000 per annum was adequate and the Clerk should continue the practice of raising the matter with the Parish Council if this needs to be re-addressed and that the Clerk should discuss with the Auditors the disclosure of fixed assets in future years. It was noted that the Parish Council's fixed assets only consisted of some small amount of office equipment. It was **RESOLVED** to approve the payment of the audit fees in the sum of £141.00.

151/10 2011/12 Precept Process/Timetable

It was **RESOLVED** to create a sub group (consisting of all Members) to draw up the 2011/12 budget and to determine precept requirements for consideration by the Parish Council. It was **RESOLVED** that the following process and timetable would be followed: -

Task	Target Date
Clerk to draft up worksheet illustrating current year spend, anticipated outcome at the end of the current financial year and commitments for 2011/12.	Early November 2010
Sub group to meet to review 2011/12 budget and precept requirements.	25 November 2010 @ 7.30pm
Clerk to distribute 2011/12 budget and precept requirements to all Members.	7 December 2010
Parish Council to formally receive, consider and agree recommendations for 2011/12 budget and precept requirements.	13 December 2010
Clerk to submit precept requirements to Chorley Borough Council.	ASAP following December 2010 Parish Council Meeting but before 4 February 2011.

Cllr Ormerod raised with Members the Council Tax referendum recently put out for consultation where Government are proposing to allow local referendums to veto excessive council tax increases as an alternative to capping by central government and suggested we should consider this when considering the precept requirements for next year.

152/10 Holker Lane

Members discussed complaints received by the Chairman regarding large vehicles using Holker Lane during the middle of the night and the level of noise. Members discussed the matter and it was noted that Members of the Parish Council have observed dangerous maneuvers by large trucks turning out of Holker Lane onto Ulnes Walton Lane on a recurring frequency. Concern was raised regarding noise, road safety, highway deterioration, pressure on utility piping, etc. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk should seek clarity from Planning Enforcement on the type of business that is being run from the Farm on Holker Lane.

153/10 Diversion of Public Footpath No. 6, Ulnes Walton, Chorley Borough (For Information)

Members acknowledged receipt of confirmation of a Public Path Diversion Order as confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on 20 September 2010, a copy of which was circulated with the agenda to all Members and a copy displayed in the Parish.

154/10 Updates from External Meetings (For Information)

- 154.1/10 NHS Central Lancashire – Unfortunately Cllr Ormerod was not able to attend the AGM scheduled for 30 September 2010.
- 154.2/10 The Clerk provided the meeting with an update of the LAPTC Chorley Area Committee Meeting held on 4 October 2010 and circulated papers and notes from the meeting.

155/10 Date of Next Meeting (for information)

The date of the next Parish Council Meeting is scheduled for Monday 8 November 2010, commencing at 7.30 pm. It was noted that the PACT meeting would also be on Monday 8 November 2010, at the Old School commencing at 7.00 pm.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at approximately 9.15 pm.

Signed:

Dated: