

## ULNES WALTON PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES** of the Full Council Meeting held on Monday 13 July 2009 at the Old School, Ulnes Walton Lane, Ulnes Walton @ 7.30 pm.

**Present:** Cllr D Todd (Chairman), Cllr E Doran, Cllr B Pickthall, Cllr D Ormerod and Cllr D Williams

**In Attendance:** A Partington (Clerk) and 4 Members of the Public

### 119/09 **Apologies**

Apologies received from Cllr G Gill.

### 120/09 **Declaration of Interest**

No declarations of interest declared.

### 121/09 **Minutes of Last Council Meeting**

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Council Meeting of 6 June 2009 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.

### 122/09 **Residents Surgery**

The Parish Council welcomed four members of the Wymott Social Club Committee to the meeting. Following the issues experienced during May, a brief update was provided on the measures put into place, especially the video surveillance system and wrist band policy. All present were pleased to note that no further incidents had occurred since the last parish council meeting and the Committee of the Wymott Social Club was commended for their prompt attention to matters. The Parish Council offered their appreciation to the Club and thanked the Committee Members for their attendance at the meeting. CBM Plummer confirmed that from a police perspective, all measures implemented had been successful and the wrist band initiative is to be rolled out as part of the Pub Watch Scheme.

#### 122.01/09 **Email Communication Received from a Resident**

Members acknowledged receipt of an email communication from a resident advising that a request will be made to Chorley Council to discharge a Section 52 Agreement currently in place for Eccleston Equestrian Centre, Ulnes Walton and also the previous site at 1 Lydiate Lane, Eccleston. The Clerk advised that a Section 52 Agreement is the old name for what is now called a Section 106 Agreement under the 1971 Planning Act. The Clerk was asked to send an acknowledgement to the resident and await formal notification from Chorley Council.

### 123/09 **Borough Councillors Update**

Borough Councillors S Moulton and D Dickinson sent their apologies for absence.

### 124/09 **Police Update**

CBM Plummer provided Members and residents with a crime and incidents report for the month of June 2009 which consisted of a burglary on Southport Road. Suspicious activity has also been noticed on Ulnes Walton Lane where a vehicle had been seen pulling up and looking at property/vehicles/trailers. All residents are asked to remain vigilant and report any suspicious activity.

Forensic evidence has been secured for the criminal damage to vehicles on Willow Road, which occurred during the Wymott Club incidents in May. However, no evidence has been secured for the vehicles that were damaged on Ulnes Walton Lane.

CBM Plummer agreed to contact Longton Riding Club to remind them that excessive parking on Moss Lane, when events are being held, is not permitted.

Parking on the double yellow lines on Southport Road/Leyland Lane has been noted and the police team will speak to the business owner. Whilst the police do not enforce double yellow line offences (which is carried out by another agency), they are able to book vehicles for unnecessary obstructions.

The introduction of the roaming PACT will commence in September and will begin in Croston. The PACT meeting will come to Ulnes Walton in October and will be held at the Old School at 7pm the

same night as the parish council meeting. CBM Plummer will provide the Clerk with a schedule of dates/locations for the remainder of 2009 and 2010 which will be displayed on the notice boards and web site.

At this point, 4 members of the public left the meeting.

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

## **125/09 Planning**

### **125.01 – Decisions Made**

<b>Application #</b>	<b>Decision</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Use</b>
None notified.			

### **125.02 – New Applications**

Members considered the following application: -

<b>Application #</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Proposed Development</b>
09/00429/FUL	Glover House Farm, Ulnes Walton Lane, Ulnes Walton	Proposed single storey extension and alterations to outbuilding, including driveway adaptations.

Members reviewed the application using the planning matrix to consider all material considerations. This application was supported with no comments.

## **126/09 Finance**

### **126.1/09 Payments**

It was **RESOLVED** to pay the following payments. Cllr D Ormerod and Cllr E Doran inspected the invoices and signed the cheques on behalf of the Parish Council.

<b>Value</b>	<b>Payable To</b>	<b>Description</b>
£196.94	A Partington	Salary for June 2009
£49.23	Inland Revenue	Tax Deducted from AJP for June 2009
£50.00	D Todd	Printing/Folding Annual Report and Newsletter
£196.94	A Partington	Salary for July 2009
£49.23	Inland Revenue	Tax Deducted from AJP for July 2009

### **126.2/09 Monitoring Statement**

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the monitoring statement for the period to 13 July 2009 and the Chairman signed the copy on behalf of the Parish Council.

## **127/09 Correspondence (for information purposes)**

A list of correspondence received from 09.06.09 and 13.07.09 was tabled to the meeting.

## **128/09 Roadside Advertisements**

The Clerk circulated a summary of a verbal update received from Planning Enforcement on the sites (principally on Southport Road) identified where roadside advertising was becoming a concern. Progress is being made with the relevant land / business owners on the specific sites. The Clerk is to ask Planning Enforcement to review a further site on Holker Lane.

## **129/09 Ulnes Walton Trail**

The Clerk advised that a purchase order has now been issued by Chorley Council to Groundwork to undertake the work on route 4 of the trail in the sum of £7290 which will be carried out during the month of August. Work will involve scraping mud and debris from the path surface, adding a new top dressing of stone and leveling to remove pot holes.

A further purchase order has also been issued to the Parish Council in the sum of £3295. This will be used to purchase and install gates and bollards at various points in the trail. The Clerk is liaising with Dominic Rigby at LCC for guidance on suppliers, prices, styles of gates/bollards. Cllr Ormerod offered to meet with Dominic Rigby on site to confirm locations. Clerk to arrange convenient date and liaise with both parties.

Members briefly discussed the fishing ponds at the back of the prisons. It was noted that overnight fishing was taking place at the ponds. There have also been numerous reports of fly tipping in and around this area. Members asked for this matter to be included on the September or October agenda and requested the old SITA landfill planning applications be reviewed to determine whether

there are any conditions attached regarding the ponds. The Clerk to also consider liaising with the Countryside Officer at LCC regarding this matter.

**130/09 Improvements to Wymott Park**

Members noted that the climbing frame and ground surface work was almost complete. A swing unit has also been installed. The Clerk is to liaise with Chorley Council Open Spaces to establish whether the climbing frame could be painted in colours that blend with the environment better and clarify whether a part is missing as Cllr Williams mentioned that it appears that a connecting ladder to get onto the equipment has not yet been installed.

**131/09 Voluntary Protocol on Parish Member – Employee Relations**

Members considered a voluntary protocol on Parish Member/Employee Relations drafted by the Chorley Standards Committee. Some Members felt the Code of Conduct and other controls the Parish Council has in place were sufficient. The Parish Council agreed to re-consider this document at either the October or November meeting.

**132/09 Communities in Control**

Cllr Ormerod reminded Members that the theme off the government paper entitled ‘Communities in Control’ is citizen involvement and empowerment and the summary paper he had prepared for Members several months ago identified the key issues that have an impact to the Parish Council.

Members noted that a Working Party had been created consisting of Cllr Ormerod, Cllr Pickthall and Cllr Williams and residents had also been invited to join the working party, via an article in the newsletter. The Clerk confirmed no interest had been received. It was therefore agreed that the working party would now make arrangements to meet and develop a plan on how the parish council can play a part in this initiative and come back to the October Parish Council meeting with recommendations.

**133/09 Lancashire Link**

Cllr Ormerod reminded Members that the Parish Council is a member of the Lancashire Link and since August 2008 it has been run by an interim board. In August 2009, this will be replaced by a newly elected board. The Parish Council has the ability to nominate a representative to stand for election to the board. No representatives were forthcoming and therefore it was agreed that no nominees would be submitted. It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Ormerod and the Clerk had delegated responsibility to send a vote on behalf of the Parish Council, once all candidates for the board are known.

**134/09 Neighbourhood Working – Drop in Session – 30 July 2009**

Members noted that in conjunction with Chorley Council, an Ulnes Walton Community Project Day would be held on 30 July 2009 at the Old School between 2.30 pm and 6.30 pm. The development action plan for the Neighbourhood Initiative will be available for inspection and Chorley Council have arranged for various officers (Neighbourhood, Open Spaces, Play Rangers) to engage residents in looking at and helping to prioritise projects that the Parish Council and local groups are working on. All community groups have been invited to attend to promote their organisations and activities they engage within the parish. The Clerk will be in attendance during the event and Members were asked to attend if possible.

**135/09 Date of Next Meeting (for information)**

The date of the next Parish Council Meeting is scheduled for Monday 13 September 2009, commencing at 7.30pm.

The meeting concluded at approximately 8.50 pm.

**Signed:** .....

**Dated:** .....