

Whittington Parish Council

DRAFT Minutes Parish Council Meeting Monday 15th January 2024 at 7.00pm

Preceded by a Public Meeting at 6.45pm in Whittington Village Hall

1 member of the public present - the following item was discussed: Open Gardens event 6th July 2024

Clerk: Gillian Newton, 14 Marton Drive, Bare, Morecambe, LA4 6RB. 07773678608 whittingtonclerk@gmail.com

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Present at the meeting: Cllrs Colin Hall, Iain Sutherland, Malcolm Fell, David Hutton City Cllr Ross Hunter and the Clerk, Gillian Newton. No members of the public were present.

1633 No apologies for absence were received.

1634 Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 20th November 2023 were read and agreed as a true record and signed by Cllr Hall

1635 Clerk's report – Signatories mandate to be discussed at next meeting; Clerks and Councils Direct newsletter available at <https://www.clerksandcouncilsdirect.co.uk/>

1636 **PACT.** 1 crime reported during October on or near Loyne Park – Violence and Sexual offence, includes offences against a person such as common assaults, grievous bodily harm and sexual offences – Investigation complete, no suspect identified.

Lancashire Constabulary representative PC 3511 James Hodgson, Lancaster, Lune Valley Rural Areas. <https://doitonline.lancashire.police.uk/ContactAnOfficer/Create?collarNumber=3511&firstName=James&lastName=Hodgson> The link to local crime figures available at <https://www.police.uk/your-area/lancashire-constabulary/upper-lune-valley/?tab=CrimeMap> Tel: 101 for non-emergencies, or from an internet connected mobile, 112. Download <https://what3words.com/about-us/> to identify your exact location eg: bus stop at village hall is **surprises:splashes:printers**

1637 Finance

- a) Interim budget forecast for 2023/24 presented to Cllrs
 - b) S137 donation requests, £8.41 per elector, 311 registered electors 2019 = maximum spend £2,615.51
 - c) Precept request £6,200.00 agreed by Cllrs
 - d) Shooting Rights £200.00 requested from Henry Armitage for 2024
 - e) Grazing Rights for 2024 from G.Sedgeley £50.00 received and lodged in bank
 - f) CHEQUE 690 Christian Douglass Accountants LTD CANCELLED, invoice submitted twice.
 - g) CHEQUE 691 £60 J.S.Close Christmas Tree agreed by Cllrs
 - h) CHEQUE 692 £44.85 G.Newton Clerk's expenses, ink, stationery and stamps agreed by Cllrs
 - i) CHEQUE 693 £150.00 Colin Hall replacement trimmer agreed by Cllrs, add to register of assets
 - j) CHEQUE 694 £600.00 Christian Douglass Accountants LTD, submission of RTI returns for the tax years 2018-19; 2019-20; 2020-21; 2021-22 and 2022-23. Appeal of penalties regarding the above named years
 - k) CHEQUE 695 £220.00 **S137** North West Air Ambulance donation agreed by Cllrs
 - l) CHEQUE 696 £80.00 **S137** Arkholme and District Womens Institute donation agreed by Cllrs
 - m) CHEQUE 697 £10.00 Colin Hall replace trimmer (incorrect amount initially submitted) agreed by Cllrs
 - n) CHEQUE 698 £50.00 Colin Hall Booths gift voucher (use of electricity for Xmas tree lights) agreed by Cllrs
 - o) Standing Order 6th January £350.00 Clerk's wages
 - p) Standing order 18th January £87.40 HMRC PAYE
- Current Account sheet 15/11/23 £11,984.09 Bonus Saver Account 15/11/23 £145.66

1638 Planning

- a) **23/01147/FUL** Change of use of agricultural land to residential curtilage for Candelisa Ltd., Whittington Farm, Main Street, LA6 2NX **Permission Refused**
- b) **23/01408/VCN** Outline application for erection of 18 dwellings with associated access and change of use of barn to a mixed use comprising a dwelling (C3) and a shop/tearoom (A1/A3) and relevant demolition of the existing agricultural buildings (pursuant to the variation of condition 2 on **16/00397/OUT** to amend the layout and appearance of the dwellings) for Candelisa Ltd, Whittington Farm, Main Street, Whittington, LA6 2NX **Awaiting decision**
- c) **23/01488/VCN** Outline application for the erection of 18 dwellings with associated access and change of use of barn to a mixed use comprising dwelling (C3) and a shop/tearoom (A1/A3) and relevant demolition of the existing agricultural buildings (pursuant to the variation of conditions 2 on planning permission **19/00245/VCN** to make amendments to the approved scheme) for Candelisa Ltd, Whittington Farm, Main Street, Whittington, LA6 2NX **Awaiting decision**
- d) **23/01392/FUL** Erection of a dwelling (C3) with associated hardstanding and landscaping for Mrs Fiona Benn, Land East of Tithe Barn, Main Street, Whittington **Awaiting decision**

Planning applications available for public viewing at <http://planapps.lancaster.gov.uk/publicaccess/>

1639 Correspondence

- a) **LALC/NALC** January newsletter; **Lancaster City and Lancashire County Council** City Cllr Hunter reported on City Council budgeting and funding available **Organisations across the Lancaster district are being invited to apply for funding from the latest round of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) and Rural England Prosperity Fund (REPF)** <https://www.lancaster.gov.uk/news/2024/jan/applications-open-for-funding-from-ukspf-and-repf> ; Consumer Alerts for December and January circulated electronically and displayed on noticeboards; Severe Weather Bulletin information circulated electronically and displayed on noticeboards; Temporary prohibition of through traffic along Fall Kirk, Gressingham from its junction with Fleet Lane to its junction with B6254 Kirkby Lonsdale Road 07:45 Monday 18th March until 15:45 Friday 3rd May or until completion of the works within this period. Traffic issues <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-travel/report-it/report-it-on-the-go/> Flooding down Church Street from blocked drains and gulleys near Hosticle Lane reported Ref 3805000; B6254 potholes temporarily repaired, further potholes reported 17/1/24 ref 3840350. Request to be made to County Councillor Matthew Maxwell-Scott to attend the next meeting. Electronic communication update. Contact 3 villages Email wagtailnews@gmail.com Subscribe to WhittingtonNews online blog, send contact details to whittingtonparish@gmail.com . Casual Vacancy discussed, to be carried forward to the next meeting. Whittington Village Survey to be discussed at the next meeting.

1640 Business introduced by Councillors

- a) Banking and Footpath Lune Valley Ramble collapsed, Cllr Fell to follow up.
- b) Cllr Fell reported on the proposed footpath between the village Hall and the church yard.

Date of next meeting **Monday 18th March** in Whittington Village Hall at **7:00pm**

preceded by a public meeting at **6:45pm**.

Dates of 2024 meetings on alternate Mondays 7.00pm start

20th May Parish Assembly, APCM start 6.30pm;

15th July; 16th September and 18th November

<u>Cheques signed this month-</u>	£	Signed by Cllrs -
691 J.S.Close Christmas tree	60.00	Hall & Sutherland
692 G.Newton expenses	44.85	Hall & Sutherland
693 Colin Hall strimmer	150.00	Sutherland & Fell
694 Christian Douglass Accountants	600.00	Sutherland & Fell
695 North West Air Ambulance S137	220.00	Hall & Sutherland
696 Arkholme & District W.I. S137	80.00	Hall & Sutherland
697 Colin Hall strimmer	10.00	Sutherland & Fell
698 Colin Hall gift voucher electricity	50.00	Sutherland & Fell