Whittington Parish Council

Minutes of open meeting followed by Parish Council meeting

Monday 6th March 2017 held in Whittington Village Hall

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Open meeting chaired by City Councillor Peter Williamson. Present were 5 Parish Councillors, the Clerk and 42 members of the public.

The Chairperson put the motion to parishioners that this parish meeting confirms its support of the Parish Council and the decisions made over the preceding 24 months.

Various views and issues were put forward by parishioners and discussed at length. Support from parishioners was accepted with regard to fiscal maintenance, an official Whittington Village website being established, improvement in communication and minute taking.

The motion was voted:- 39 voted in favour of supporting the Parish Council

1 voted against

2 abstentions

The open meeting was closed and a Parish Council meeting followed.

1300. Present: Cllrs Eric Pelter, Colin Hall, Edward Lawson, Stuart Close, Barbara Atkinson and the Clerk. Apologies for absence were received from City Cllr Peter Williamson. No members of the public were present.

1301. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting 16th January 2017 were read and an amendment to minute 1296 The precept increased by 10% not specifically to purchase a Speed Indicator Device. Proposal to purchase a SpID through Parish Champion Grant refused. Councillors to continue to discuss alleged speeding of vehicles through the village. The minutes were signed as a true record by Cllr Eric Pelter.

1302. Clerk's report (matter's arising): Minutes sent to Lancaster City Council and available at https://committeeadmin.lancaster.gov.uk/mgParishCouncilDetails.aspx?ID=420&LS=3.

Town Quarry gate repaired and posts replaced. WhittingtonClean17 litter picking session held on 11.3.17 arranged by parishioner Mike resulted in 30 volunteers collecting 30 large bags of rubbish. Flytipping of a mettress on Orbes corner was reported on FixMyStreet. Dog fouling on Public Right of Way footpath 10 The Long Walk between South Lodge and Church Street reported. Reminder to dog walkers to pick up their dog's faeces, place in a small sealed plastic bag and put in their grey bin at home. Pothole near Coneygarth Lane reported on FixMyStreet. Cllr Atkinson reported water bubbling up from a British Telecom manhole on Church Street near the B6254 junction which was also reported on FixMyStreet. The re-evaluation of the proposed Speed Indicator Device was discussed. Statistics from the 2 rubber strips recently installed on the B6254 for monitoring traffic volume and/or average speed through the village from Lancashire Constabulary has been requested.

Parish Councillors agreed to adjourn the meeting until

Wednesday 29th March starting at 7.00pm in Whittington Village Hall