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**DRAFT Minutes** **Parish Council Meeting** **Tuesday 17th September 2024**

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2 members of the public were present at the public meeting preceding the Parish Council meeting. Items discussed were the purpose of the public meeting; the indistinct road markings at the bottom of Church Street and the rumble strips at either end of the village; the river path, Lune Valley Ramble, which is very muddy and almost impassable.

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

1. No apologies for absence were received.
2. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 15th July 2024 were read and agreed as a true record and signed by Cllr Hall.
3. Clerk’s report – Clerks and Councils Direct newsletter Issue 155 available at <https://www.clerksandcouncilsdirect.co.uk/> Cllr Preston to complete Notification of Interests, Pecuniary Interests by the next meeting and has completed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office at this meeting.
4. **PACT**. No crimes reported during April, May or June. 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/pu/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
5. **Finance**
6. Signatories mandate – Cllrs Hutton and Preston added as new signatories, S.Close and L.Morgan removed. B.Atkinson still to be removed, mandate to be completed at next meeting.
7. CHEQUE 707 £350.00 Colin Hall S137 donation for Beacon lighting event agreed by Cllrs.
8. CHEQUE 708 £59.99 Gillian Newton for Microsoft 365 update on computer.
9. Standing Order 6th October £350.00 Clerk’s wages.
10. Clerk’s eP60 to 5th April 2024
11. Notification from SBA PKF Littlejohn of exempt status , no review to be performed.
12. **In addition to the agenda**: Gardening Competition - Donation from Mr Kaye, Secret prize winner of £50.00 and £10.00 returned from prize funds as only 2 secret garden entries.

Current account 15/08/24 £15,409.00 Bonus Saver Account 15/08/24 £147.24

1. **Planning**

**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**

**24/00521/FUL** Demolition of existing shed and erection of replacement shed for Mr Andrew Brenan, 1 Rectory Gardens, Church Street, Whittington, LA6 2NS **Awaiting decision**

**24/00600/FUL** Demolition of existing agricultural building and erection of an agricultural livestock building and **24/00599/FUL** Erection of an agricultural livestock building for Mr David Airey, West Hall, West Hall Lane, Whittington, LA6 2PO **Awaiting decision**

**24/0135/TCA** Notice of Intention to Carry Out Works to Trees; Weeping willow-removal of some branches and re-balance tree crown for Jon Parsons, Pearson House, Hutton Roof Road, Whittington, LA6 2NT **Awaiting decision**

**24/00871/LB** Listed building consent for replacement of timber windows with timber sash windows for Mr and Mrs Mackereth, Whittington Farm, Main Street, Whittington, LA6 2NX **Awaiting decision**

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

1. **Correspondence**

LALC NIMBLE e-learning training: Understanding precepts £15; Data protection essentials GDPR £15; Anti-bribery essentials £15; Stress manage Equality, diversity and inclusion £15; Environmental essentials £15; Introduction to planning £15. **Lancaster City Council** none this month. **Lancashire County Council** Consumer Alerts for August & September circulated electronically and displayed on noticeboards & County Councillors poster circulated electronically and on noticeboards. Traffic issues: Cllr Preston – Traffic Management, public voice of concern over speeding vehicles through the village; B6254 near to Whittington Farm issue, degradation of road surface reported direct to Lancashire County Council Highways Dept. Ref: 598176. Newton Holme Lane flooding reported Ref: 4285266. Indistinct Church Street road markings and rumble strips at either end of village reported Ref: 4289570. Electronic communication update. Contact 3 villages Email [wagtailnews@gmail.com](mailto:wagtailnews@gmail.com) Subscribe to WhittingtonNews online blog, send contact details to [whittingtonparish@gmail.com](mailto:whittingtonparish@gmail.com) Whittington Parish Council Website; Contract signed; Direct Debit arranged; new e-mail addresses; competition from the public for a photograph header minimum 2,000 pixels, images to sent to the Clerk;

**1685 Business introduced by Cllrs** Compliments received for the recent upgrade and maintenance of the Lune Vally Ramble, Cllr Fell to strim the hedge and view the muddy patch reported; Cllr Fell to discuss and research a suitable covering for the proposed path between the Village Hall and the Church; Cllr Hall to research maintenance of the village benches.

Date of next meeting **Monday 4th November** in Whittington Village Hall at **7.00pm**

**Please note change of date.**Preceded by an open public meeting at 6.45pm

Dates for 2025 20th January, 17th March, 19th May, 14th July, 15th September, 17th November

Cheques signed this month by Cllrs Hutton and Preston.

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