

## **Minutes of 904th Meeting -Wheelton Parish Council, Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2009**

### **Present:**

Councillors Wheale (Chair), Dickenson, Hayes, Scambler, Berry, Fowler. Wood  
Also present PC C Evans  
Various members of the public

### **Minutes of Meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2009**

The minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record

### **Apologies for Absence**

There were no apologies

### **Matters Arising**

217/04/09 – Councillor Dickenson stated that he been trying to contact Mr Hodge from Community Futures without success he will endeavour to contact him in the near future and report at the next meeting

218/04/09 – The Clerk was requested to review the procedure for Confidential items shown on the agenda and after consultation with the Borough Council revise as necessary

### **Clerks Report**

219/04/09 - Dog Fouling – Chorley Council forwarded a copy of their official poster and stated they would display this wherever the members thought appropriate throughout the village. Members were asked to give the Clerk details of own problem areas to forward to the Council

220/04/09 – Planning – The Clerk reported that after several attempts to obtain clarification on questions regarding maintenance and other related concerns on the Former Victoria Mill site he would now approach the Planning Director in person

221/04/09 – The Clerk and Councillor G Wood both signed the Councillors Declaration of Acceptance of Office prior to the start of the meeting

### **Police Report**

221/04/09 – PC Evans had to leave the meeting early but gave the Clerk the report which consisted of two major reported crimes in March 2009 – Forced entry into a garage on Millbrook Close and on the same night a break in occurred at the Dressers Arms It was also reported that crime in the Wheelton Rural Area is down by 10% on the previous year

### **Questions from the Public**

222/04/09 – The question from the public is covered under the Village Parking Issues

### **Financial Report**

223/04/09 – The accounts for payment were passed and the Clerk indicated that an item needed to be added to the income account for £209.10 from Chorley Council for Emptying Dog Waste Containers for 2009

224/04/09 – It was agreed that a donation of £25.00 be given to the Victim Support Organisation

### **A674 Traffic Management**

#### ***Cllr Wood declared an interest in this item***

225/04/09 – The Clerk informed the meeting that he had received confirmation from the Highways Engineer that 30mph speed limit repeaters signs had been ordered and that the 30mph Slow Down signs had been marked out in the area. It was suggested that one of the plates may need to be relocated and that the Engineer would consult and advise the members in due course

### **Village Parking Issues**

226/04/09 – The Chairman welcomed members of the public who had attended the meeting to discuss the Lancashire County Councils plans for parking restrictions in the village

It was conveyed to the meeting that the Parish Councils main concerns covered the safety of public especially on Victoria Street

After lengthy discussions with the members of the public for and against the proposals it was agreed that they set up a group to have further discussions regarding the parking problems to meet with Council members

The Clerk would forward a report of the discussions to the Highways Engineer

### **Enhancing Wheelton**

227/04/09 – Councillor Dickenson stated that the Playground needed to be looked at and he would endeavour to contact Mr Hodge

228/04/09 – Councillors Dickenson and Fowler would design a layout for the Victoria Street site and stated that any ideas from local residents would be considered if they contacted them

It was agreed that the tree should be felled and that a bench would be sited there on an experimental basis

The Clerk to contact residents informing them of their proposals

### **Planning**

229/04/09 - 09/00034/FUL - Demolition of existing dwellings and erection of a replacement dwelling and detached garage (amendment to previous approval 06/00905/FUL) Monks Hill Cottages Harbour Lane

230/04/09 - Demolition of existing front porch to form 2 storey extensions to enlarge upstairs bedroom. Worsley Cottage Victoria Street

### **Items for Consideration**

231/04/09 – It was agreed that the visit of the Standards Board Monitoring Officer scheduled for the meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2009 should be rearranged for either the June or July 2009 meeting owing to some members will not be present at the next meeting

**Items for Consideration**

232/04/09 – All items were noted

**Date of Next Meeting**

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2009 following the Annual Parish meeting