

Minutes of 883rd Meeting -Wheelton Parish Council, Monday 14th May 2007

Present - Councillors T. Dickenson, R. Wheale, K. Berry, S.Monaghan, R. Scambler N Hayes
Councillor T Dickenson having vacated the Chair the meeting opened with the election of Officers for 2007/8

Chairman – Councillor T Dickenson

Vice-Chairman – Councillor R Wheale

LAPTC Chorley Area Committee representatives - Councillors S Monaghan and N Hayes
(Substitutes – Councillors T Dickenson and J Ross-Mills)

Heapey and Wheelton Village Hall Committee representative – Councillor S Monaghan

Heapey and Wheelton War Memorial Trustees - Councillor R Wheale and Mrs D Gorton

Heapey and Wheelton Charity Trust Trustees - Councillors R Wheale and T Dickenson

Village Playground Fund representative -- Councillors T Dickenson and R Wheale

Tree Warden - Councillor J Ross-Mills

Press Officer - Councillor T Dickenson

Communications Co-coordinators - Councillors T Dickenson and S Monaghan

Wheelton Web Site Co-coordinator - Councillor S Monaghan & T Dickenson

Minutes of Meeting held on 2nd April 2007

The minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record

Apologies for Absence – Councillor J Ross-Mills

Matters Arising

69/05/07 – Councillor Monaghan will meet with Chorley Council regarding the location of the Dog waste Container on Whins Lane this week

Clerk requested to follow up the erection of signs regarding Dog Fouling

Police Report

70/05/07 – In the absence of a representative from the Lancashire Constabulary Councillor Dickenson informed the meeting that there were two reported crimes during April 2007 these being a Stolen Vehicle in the Withnell Fold area and Damage to the canal bridge details from the PACT meeting 1st May 2007

Questions From the Public

71/05/07 – There were no questions from the public

Financial Report

72/05/07 – It was agreed that the Clerk write to Home Start to establish what support if any is attributed to Wheelton residents and invite a Home Start representative to a future meeting to put forward there case for funding

73/05/07 – It was agreed that the Heapey & Wheelton Village Hall Committee produce a breakdown of use and funding to enable the Council to decide on future donations

74/05/07 – All payments were accepted

Traffic Issues – A674

75/05/07 – The members considered the letter from Ulnes Walton Parish Council and decided to adopt a similar strategy and the Clerk was requested to contact the residences representatives to whether they are willing to participate

The Clerk read out a message from Lancashire County Council stating they were still awaiting a report from the Officer who visited the site but were under stretched at the moment and not therefore allocate any staff to the case

Planning Matters

75/05/07 - 07/00478/OUT - Former Victoria Mill Building 10m South West Of 23 Millbrook Close

Both the owner and residents attended the meeting to put forward their views on this application to the Council

After consideration the members decided to strongly oppose the application on the grounds that it would not be in keeping in structure with the existing properties in the surrounding area also that the proposed development would be to close to existing properties

The members also had concerns relating to the access to the development thus creating road safety issues and that there was a case for overdevelopment of the site

76/05/07 - 07/00495/FUL - Golden Lion Hotel the members had no objections for this application

Quality Parish Council

77/05/07 – The Clerk gave the members the information regarding the cost and available dates for the LAPTC workshop.

It was decided to invite another Parish Council to the Workshop to make up the allotted number and to share the cost

The Clerk to write to Heapey Parish Council to see if they wished to attend

Items For Consideration

78/05/07 – The Clerk indicated to the members that the Revised Code of Conduct had now been produced and he would circulate copies to the members for their comments

The Clerk also stated that Chorley Council's Monitoring Officer intends to hold a seminar for all Parish Councillors and Clerks in the Borough regarding the Code of Conduct in the near future

79/05/07 – Playdale have produced four options regarding the upgrade of the play area which will be discussed at the next meeting

Items for Information

80/05/07 – All items were noted and apologies were to be forwarded to Chorley Council for the Community Forum meeting

Date of Next Meeting

Monday 4th June 2007