

Minutes of 925th Meeting -Wheelton Parish Council, Monday 7th March 2011

Present:

Councillors Dickenson (Chair) Wheale, Berry, Scambler, Fowler, Hayes
Borough Councillor A Hansford

Minutes of Meeting held on 7th February 2011

The minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record

Apologies for Absence

Councillor Dickenson declared that he was now no longer Promotions Officer for Age Concern

Matters Arising

519/03/11 – Councillor Hansford reported that the gullies had been cleared by the Borough Council and that progress was being made regarding the refuse bins on Albert Street The Clerk also stated he had written to the householder regarding the over hanging Ivy

Clerks Report

520/03/11 – The Clerk reported that the application for waiting restrictions at the Fish & Chip shop on Victoria St had been rejected due to high levels of objection The waiting restrictions at Stable Lane was now awaiting Legal advertising

521/03/11 – Village Hall Signs – LCC stated that unfortunately a white on brown "Tourism" sign would not be the appropriate sign for helping persons find the village hall. The most appropriate sign would be a local direction sign with black letters on a white background. There would be an application process and a cost involved. Clerk to forward to Susan Carroll – Village Hall Committee

522/03/11 – Whins Lane Walkway – LCC stated The issue of brambles overhanging the footway and causing an obstruction, near the pedestrian access between Whins Lane and Blackburn Road, will be assessed and any necessary work to cut back the offending vegetation will be ordered. At the same time, the condition of the nearby barrier mentioned will also be assessed to determine if any further repairs are necessary to it.

523/03/11 – The Clerk reported that the Villages Website had been financed by a previous member and was now due for renewal – The members decided to discuss the matter at the next meeting

Police Report

524/03/11 – There were no reported incidents during February 2011 in the village.

Questions from the Public

525/03/11 – Letters regarding the Playground covered under that heading

Financial Report

Cllrs Berry and Scambler declared an Interest in the Berry Account

526/03/11 – All three accounts were authorised and passed for payment

Enhancing Wheelton Project

527/03/11 – The members discussed the situation with the A boards advertising local businesses and decided that whilst they have no objections to businesses advertising and no complaints have recently been received they did have concerns that some of the A boards needed to be smartened up – The Clerk to write to the businesses involved to convey the Councils comments

H&W Playground Trust

528/03/11 – The refurbishment of the Playground was now under way – there have been no complaints regarding the climbing frame erected in the middle of the area being too high. Councillor Dickenson stated that the frame was less than the legal maximum and therefore no planning permission was required. Councillor Wheale would approach the contractors working on site to check out this and other issues with them and report at the next meeting

Planning Matters

529/03/11 – There were no objections to this application providing it is keeping with the environment and the footpath is retained
Planning Application - 11/00142/FUL - The erection of stables together with associated works Monks Hill House Harbour Lane Wheelton
The granted and refused applications were noted

Review of the Effectiveness of Internal Audit Report

530/03/11 – The Clerk outlined the need for a new Internal Auditor and the plans for the audit which was accepted and signed by the Chair

Risk Assessment Document for 2010/11

531/03/11 – The Clerk informed the members that the amendments had been made to the document and was therefore signed by the Chair.

Date of Next Meeting

Monday 4th April 2011