

Minutes of 919th Meeting -Wheelton Parish Council, Monday 6th September 2010

Present:

Councillors (Chair), Dickenson, Wheale Berry, Scambler, Fowler

Minutes of Meeting held on 5th July 2010

The minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record

Apologies for Absence

Cllrs N Hayes, G Wood

Borough Councillors Alison Hansford

Matters Arising

428/09/10 – It was pointed out that a request from the Highways Department for information as to whether any traffic management statistics that have taken on the A674.-This as now been done

Clerks Report

429/09/10 – The Clerk informed the meeting that all the Planning applications received during the summer recess had been scrutinised by the Sub Committee

430/09/10 – Parking Millbrook Close Green – The Clerk informed the members that Chorley Council –according to Lancashire County are responsible for signage and that he would now have to approach the Borough Council again

431/09/10 – The Annual Audit produced one matter for consideration that being the Review of effectiveness of internal audit should have been signed prior to the 31st March and not when the Clerk returned from leave

This was noted and the Clerk also stated that a new internal auditor would be required for the 2010/11 accounts

432/09/10 – The Clerk informed the meeting that the Village Hall now had a new treasurer – Susan Carroll who replaces Bill Geddes

Police Report

433/09/10 – The Clerk received a report stating that there had been no recorded crimes during August 2010

Questions from the Public

434/09/10 – The Hogweed on land adjacent to the Dressers Arms on Blackburn Road is becoming a problem once again – Clerk to inform the necessary Authority to get it remedied also the weeds on Victoria Street is overgrown and need attention

435/09/10 – There is a street light on Buckholes Lane which is lit all day – Clerk to report to the appropriate Highways Department

Financial Report

436/09/10 – All accounts with the exception of the Caretakers Retainer were approved and the Clerk requested that an Account from Chorley Council for the uncontested Election for £339.33 be approved for payment which was agreed by the members. The income from the RBS was also noted

437/09/10 – The members were informed that The Caretaker – Mr Butterworth - was no longer available to carry out these duties and therefore the Parish Councils needed to appoint another Caretaker. In the interim Councillor Wheale will carry out the duties

At this point the Chairman asked Councillor Wheale to leave the room

The Chairman asked the members to approve an honorarium for Councillor Wheale for carrying out the duties until a successor can be found – This was unanimously agreed – Cllr Wheale returned to the meeting and informed of the decision.

It was also agreed that Mr Butterworth be paid the retainers fee from April 2010 Until September 2010 and the Clerk –on behalf of both parish councils – write a thank you letter to Mr Butterworth for his services

H&W Playground Trust

438/09/10 – Councillor Dickenson informed the meeting that Chorley Council had approved 75% of the finance request by the Parishes subject to ratification and will inform the members as and when the grant is rubberstamped
Councillor Dickenson also stated he would need to consult the other trustees regarding the balance of finance required

Enhancing Wheelton

439/09/10 - It was decided that councillors Dickenson and Fowler set up a meeting with residents regarding the Victoria Street site prior to the next parish meeting in October

Planning Matters

440/09/10 - 10/00690/FUL – Erection of a two storey side/rear extensions the conversion of existing garage to create additional living space

7 Millbrook Close – members have concerns regarding overdevelopment would create further parking problems in an already congested road

441/09/10 – ***Councillors Berry & Scambler declared an interest in this item***

10/00593/LBC – Refurbishment of listed buildings including internal/external alterations – erection of porch – installation of roof lights and photo voltaic roof slates - 12/13/14 Albert Street – members had no objections to this application providing it was in keeping with the surrounding environment

442/09/10 - Extension of time limit for applications 07/01258/LBC -

07/01069/LBC - 07/01071/LBC - All at Miry Fold Farm Briers Brow

Members noted this and stand by any objections previously made on this development

443/09/10 – The withdrawn application was noted

Items for Information

444/09/10 – All items were noted

Date of Next Meeting

Monday 4th October 2010