

NETHER WYRESDALE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes for the PC meeting of 27th January 2022, 7.30PM @ Scorton Chapel

**Present: Cllrs Hantom, Cottle, Drinnan, Collinson, Kenyon and Atkinson,
Mark Hothersall and Miles Gleave (North West Stages Rally), the clerk
and a member of the public**

1. Apologies:

Lancashire County Cllr Shaun Turner

N.B. Cllr Turner mentioned the full council meeting at Wyre Council as his reason for not attending and stated that this was likely to apply to Wyre Cllr Jonny Leech also. The clerk did not receive a direct apology from Cllr Leech.

2. Declarations of Interest:

Cllr Atkinson item 8.

3. Minutes from last meeting:

Signed as a correct record.

4. Matters arising (from previous meeting/s):

Village enhancement

Cllr Drinnan stated there is still no invoice from LCC.

He also agreed to email Mark O'Donnell (Highways engineer) for an update on the repair outside The Barn entrance.

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No further update.

Parking issues/traffic on the village

Cllr Drinnan stated there was no further update from Mark O'Donnell. He will contact him to ask for an update on the request for installation of passing places on Gubberford Lane.

11/00839/FULMAJ (Wyreside Hall)

The clerk stated she has received no further response from David Thow (Wyre Council) following submission of details of conditions the PC believe have not been met. The PC agreed that she should email him again to request an update.

It was confirmed that Lancaster City Council has also investigated.

Blocked PRow (off Oakencrough Rd) 2-19 FP32

The clerk has received a response today from Lancashire County Cllr Shaun Turner further to the previous reply from the Public Rights of Way (PRow) team, to establish a time scale for resolving. Response as follows:

“We currently have no-one covering the north of the County as we have 1 team member on sick leave and that leaves only 3 to cover all the public rights of way in Lancashire. However we have just recruited 2 extra staff to this role, 1 starting next month and 1 in May, and we are looking to resolve the sickness absence in order to be able to address matters like this.

I share the Parish Council's wish for a timescale but it would be misleading to try to give one at present – even if we had available personnel it would be difficult to give a timescale for resolving such an issue, only for starting the investigation which is not the same thing but I agree that this is something that we want to do once we have the team members in place.

This particular issue will be addressed as soon as we can – the person concerned will not be able to get rid of the path in this way.”

Blocked drain (Bobbin Mill, Long Lane)

The clerk reported the response from Highways on 13th December which states that on the 30th November, the gully was cleaned and jetted and the flow was restored.

Drain issue (Tithebarn lane)

The clerk reported the response from Highways (Emma Lane) on 22nd December which states that they are still corresponding with Cadent and Highways has indicated that they will carry out repairs towards the end of January.

5. Open forum:

North West Stages Rally

Representatives Mark Hothersall and Miles Gleave discussed this year's event summarized as follows:

- ❖ The event is scheduled for 18th and 19th March.
- ❖ The Saturday rally is identical to 2020 planned event which was cancelled due to Covid. They are mindful of Covid restrictions for this year's event.
- ❖ They are working with safety advisory groups from LCC, WC and other relevant parties.
- ❖ It was confirmed that there will be a spectator area at Nicky Nook.
- ❖ The consultation began in September 2021 and following feedback, they went back and conducted a door knocking exercise in November to disseminate information.
- ❖ They will attend a parish council meeting after the event for feedback (May meeting).

- ❖ From questionnaires circulated, 7 were completed. 5 were positive. Of the remaining two, one was concerned about the state of the roads but the PC was assured that these are checked before and afterwards and any potholes are reported. The other was concerned about copycat racers. The PC was informed that if any competitor was involved, they would be excluded from the event. There is also a police presence in the area before and after.
- ❖ A bond of £30,000 is paid to LCC prior to the event which is recoverable afterwards.
- ❖ £1000 will be donated to charity and PC's will be financially supported.
- ❖ A resident pack is provided which provides all information and there is access to a resident liaison officer. There are also resident access stickers. Within the booklet there are details of an APP which provides updates in case any part of the event is late. There are also timings for each stage.
- ❖ The road will be reopened at 6.10PM but LCC have granted the road closure until 7PM at the latest.
- ❖ The first car first visit will take place at 10.30AM, the second visit @ 13.37PM and the last visit @ 17.01PM.

Cllr Cottle stated that the playing field upgrade is very expensive and requested that they bear this in mind when considering the donation amount.

Station Lane (road surface)

A member of the public stated that it is in poor condition. It was confirmed that this has been raised several times before. Cllr Collinson stated the best course of action was to take a photo and report it. The clerk asked if he was familiar with reporting online to which he replied in the affirmative.

Blocked Drain (Cleveley Bank Lane junction with Long Lane)

A member of the public commented that this causes flooding.

6. Playing field:

Inspection report

As a result of an issue found in the report, the posts for the tyre swing were removed and replaced. Cllr Cottle circulated photos of the work and the end result. He stated that he is awaiting the new surfacing. He submitted 3 bills for the work (see finance item 15).

7. Bikes & Barrows:

Cllr Cottle is anticipating that he can obtain funding from Bikes and Barrows funds for the upgrade of the play area.

He also stated that as far as he is aware, no event has been planned for this year.

8. Correspondence/circulated items:

Refer appendix 1. Item to discuss:

WHP Telecoms LTD – Upgrade to radio base station M6 Scorton (Park Gate Farm)

The PC has no objections to the above.

9. Borough Council & Lancashire County Council matters:

No representatives present.

10. Planning:

| Application number | Description | Resolved PC comments |
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11. Decision notices(status):

| Application number | Description | Decision |
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| 21/00687/FUL | Erection of new stable block, change of use of agricultural land to form riding arena and new internal track all for private use @ Hill View 27 Station Lane Scorton | Permitted |
| 21/01168/FUL | Erection of a three-car garage/log store with first floor home office and gym (variation of condition number 2 (plans) on planning application 21/00757/FUL) @ Snowhill House Snowhill Lane Nether Wyresdale | Permitted |
| 21/00067/DIS | Agreement of details reserved by condition 03 (contamination report) on application 21/00067/COUQ | Split decision |

12. Highways:

Litter (Higher Lane)

The PC agreed that the Wyre Council street cleaning team should be contacted.

13. Lengthsman:

Jobs undertaken

The clerk has received December's invoice & timesheet today and forwarded to PC members by email.

Jobs to be done

The PC agreed that he should undertake litter picking around the parish. Cllr Collinson will let him know.

14. Village Hall:

Cllr Cottle stated that there had been a change to the booking system.

15. Finance:

Account update as at 30/12/21 - £14,012.06

Items approved for payment:

Lengthsman invoice November - £784.00 Paid 09/12/21

Lengthsman invoice December – £315.00

Scorton School (donation for Christmas lights) - £21.99

Scorton School (donation for Christmas silhouette) - £129.99

M A Bell (post removal – tyre swing) - £432.00

S & J Lancaster Services LTD (concrete for tyre swing) - £726.00

Lengthsman J slinger – (Playing field work on tyre swing posts) - £698.00

16. Health & Safety:

No health and safety concerns raised.

17. Points of interest:

Sports provision in Garstang

The PC discussed further to Cllr Collinson's email. The clerk was requested to email Wyre Cllr Jonny Leech to ask him to find out if there is a plan to get new sports provision in Garstang and if so, what the funding arrangements are, including the section 106 money.

The Queens Diamond Jubilee

The PC agreed on the importance of having a village event. Cllr Cottle will make enquiries and report back at the next meeting.

Wyre Local Plan (call for sites) update

Cllr Drinnan stated he thought it was important to put details and links regarding this on the parish council website to inform the public. The PC agreed that the clerk should send the relevant details to Steve Elliott.

Website layout

The PC agreed that the clerk should ask Steve to remove any unnecessary templates in order to make things appear tidier.

18. Date of next meeting: **24th March 2022**

As there was no further business, the meeting concluded at 8.45PM

APPENDIX 1 – CORRESPONDENCE (EMAILED)

N.B. Due to the Christmas break between 18/12/21 and 03/01/22, only important emails were forwarded in the new year for this period.

NALC newsletter x 4

LCC – Winer stakeholder bulletin 19/11, 26/11, 5/12, 10/12, 17/12

WC – Press release: Christmas festivities are back on in Wyre

NALC – Chief executives bulletin 19/11, 26/11, 3/12, 10/12, 17/12

WC – Free social media support for Wyre’s businesses

WC – Licensing agenda & minutes 23/11 link

WC – Item published 23/11 link

WC – Audit minutes 16/11 link

WC – Cabinet agenda & minutes 1/12 link

WC – Planning agenda & supplement 1/12 link

Rural Services Network (RSN) Rural bulletin 23/11, 30/11, 6/12, 14/12, 5/1/22

LCC – Parish & town council conference presentation slides

Community Futures – Nov newsletter

WC – Press release: how can Garstang be improved?

LALC – Parliamentary debate next week- Local Electricity Bill

LCC – Rd closure Cleveley Bank Lane 28/02/22 x 2

WC - Press release: request for volunteers to help plant trees

WC – Council agenda & minutes 2/12 link

LALC – Newsletter

LCC – Rd closure amendment to Station Lane 31/12-4/1/22

LALC – Annual report

WC – Items published 30/11 link

WC – Schedule of executive decisions 30/11, 5/01/22

WC - Press release: Coming together to help tackle climate change (tree planting)

RSN – Rural funding digest Dec and Jan

Community Futures – Funding sources

LCR magazine

LCC – Trading Standards consumer alerts Dec x 2 & Jan

WC – Overview & scrutiny minutes 22/11 link

WC – Item published 2/12 link

WC – Portfolio holder decisions agenda 9/12 link

WC – Press release: Holiday clubs

LCC – Queen’s platinum jubilee celebrations – The Big Jubilee Lunch

WC – Flood forum documents and info

LCC – Winter 2021 Parish & town council newsletter

Community Futures – December information bulletin

LALC – Plan B update – ACRE (Covid)

WC – Wyre Voice

Community Futures – Village halls week 2022

WC – Portfolio holder decisions x 2 9/12 links

Community Futures – Connecting communities in Lancashire project update

Community Futures – Covid 19 update

WC – Items published 16/12 links

WC – Portfolio holder decisions agenda 23/12 link

Community Futures – Info bulletin issue 22

WC – Press release: extra help with fuel costs

LCC – Lancashire Constabulary/Nice investigate

LALC – December E-Newsletter

WC – Items published 04/01/22

WC – Cabinet agenda 12/01/22

WC – Planning agenda supplement 05/01/22

WC – Items published 05/01/22

Community Futures – Covid update