

## NETHER WYRESDALE PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes for the PC meeting of 25th January 2024, 7.30PM @ Scorton Chapel

**Present: Cllrs Collinson, Elliott, Atkinson, Thompson, the clerk,  
Mark Hothersall (Legend Fires) and 3 other members of the public**

1. Apologies:

**Wyre Cllr Charlotte Walker**

**Cllr Stephen**

**Cllr Gledhill**

**PCSO Denise Creighton** (notified prior to meeting but picked up after.)

2. Declarations of Interest:

**Cllr Elliott item 11, plan 23/01218/FUL**

3. Minutes from last meeting:

**Signed as a correct record.**

4. Police report:

**Not received in time for meeting.**

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

**Changes to bank account**

It was confirmed that Cllrs Gledhill have been added as signatories.

**Tree planting (Church field)**

Cllr Gledhill provided a further update by email 23/01/24:

*“The PC now has permission from the diocese to plant a hedgerow (phase 1) to the top right of the field to follow the line of the post and wire fencing finishing at the top corner adjacent to the field which borders the motorway. This would be done in November now. We await a decision about planting phase 2/3/and 4.*

*The meeting with the diocese has delayed the application to the Woodland Trust for free hedging plants until the next round of applications which begins early next month. Jo Taylor has said that she would let the Head at the school know so that they can get involved in the planting later in the year.”*

## **SpID**

Cllr Gledhill provided an update regarding funding for the sign via email 23/01/24:

*"I contacted Mike Howes in the village to share his thoughts on how to approach and access funding streams to purchase two signs for the village -Gubberford Lane and Station Lane.*

*During the conversation Mike pointed out the opportunity of someone making contact with the Lancashire Policing Volunteer Team who provide specialist training which involves someone working alongside the local PCSO to monitor traffic speeding in a particular area.*

*I made contact with Denise Creighton to ask about this and she in turn has passed me on to the liaison officer for the Lancashire team. I am now in the process of being 'vetted' by the police in order to potentially join the team of volunteers.*

*With this I mind I have held off making any application to the Chief Constable's £600K fund as discussed at the last meeting. I should be able to update the PC at the next meeting on how my application to the Volunteers team goes."*

## **Notice board**

The clerk stated that there does not have to be a noticeboard but that notices have to be placed in as conspicuous location such as a shop window.

It was felt that Cllr Thompson should look into notice board options to report back at next meeting.

## **Tithebarn Lane (Rd surface between Cadent gas box and the motorway bridge)**

Highways has responded on 9<sup>th</sup> Jan to say this has been inspected and they did not find any defects which meet the criteria. Full response as per appendix 2.

It was stated that some work has been done.

## 6. Open forum:

### **24/00054/FULMAJ**

2 members of the public discussed with the PC. Refer item 11 for PC comment.

### **Station Lane Rd Surface**

A member of the public stated the road is in poor condition. Cllr Collinson said she thought it had been included in a future programme of works by Highways. She will have a look through previous responses.

### **Drain issues**

Also see Highways item 13.

A member of the public stated that the drains at the bottom of Tithebarn Lane and the railway bridge (on Gubberford Lane) cannot take the amount of water when it rains and this causes flooding. There is also an issue with the drain outside the entrance to Wyre Farm (also on Gubberford Lane, bridge over Tithebarn Brook).

## **North West Stages Rally**

Mark Hothersall provided information about the event on the 23<sup>rd</sup> March. Salient details as follows:

- ❖ He circulated a car time schedule with map for consideration (suggestions were made by the PC to post notices of the event in key locations).
- ❖ They will be advertising details of spectator areas. They are expecting an increase number of spectators and have accommodated for this accordingly.
- ❖ A half hour window will be allowed for residents to gain access.
- ❖ Congestion mitigation measures have been factored in.
- ❖ The event is similar in most respects to the event held in 2022.
- ❖ Leaflets for residents will be ready at the end of February.

Cllr Collinson requested posted notices for the benefit of residents who do not have access to social media. Mark Hothersall made note (see first point above).

Mark also confirmed that all cycling clubs will be contacted.

### 7. Playing field:

#### **Commemorative benches**

Cllr Collinson has not positioned bench yet. She was asked by the clerk to let her know of any changes in relation to play equipment and positioning of bench so she can update the asset register. Deferred until next meeting.

#### **Play equipment review & funding**

Cllr Collinson stated that Katie Woods has submitted a good funding bid with an excellent video. Cllr Collinson stated she was optimistic that this would be granted. The potential amount would be £40,000 with the PC having to pay 20%. A decision is due on 27<sup>th</sup> March.

Cllr Collinson has also had an on site meeting with Kompan to discuss options.

### 8. Bikes & Barrows:

**None**

### 9. Correspondence/circulated items:

Refer appendix 1. Item to discuss:

#### **HedgehogsRus – Hedgehog Highway project**

The clerk was asked to respond thanking her for her email and confirming that the parish has a few hedgehog encouraging measures and is already hedgehog friendly.

10. Borough Council & Lancashire County Council matters:

**None**

11. Planning:

**20/00182/FUL WC Planning Enforcement update**

The clerk stated that she has been in touch with Roger Longden on 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan, who has confirmed that they have received a letter stating that the reason the path has not been finished, is that the developer is applying for further funding in order to complete works. A grant application has been submitted to Forest of Bowland for this purpose. This update was as of October 2023.

The clerk was asked to clarify whether the car park was for use by the general public (there is a sign that gives the impression it is for café customers only).

<b>Application number</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Resolved PC comments</b>
<b>23/01133/FUL</b>	Erection of two dwellings following demolition of existing buildings (resub of 22/01045/FUL). @ Ashbourne Cottage Cleveley Bank Lane Scorton	<b>Notification of no objection sent 04/01/24</b>
<b>23/01218/FUL</b>	Erection of a stand-alone modular building to provide additional classroom facilities and associated works @ Scorton C Of E School Snowhill Lane	<b>The head teacher submitted a document for the PC's consideration, following which, they commented as follows:</b>  <b>The Parish Council is broadly supportive of building extra capacity on site but as well as this solution, the PC ask that they consider costs as well as pros and cons of an extension at the opposite end of the school building (purchasing some land from the church for this purpose).</b>

<b>23/01157/FUL &amp; AMENDMENT</b>	Change of use of existing agricultural shippon to form dining hall (Class E(b)) with reception, bar, storage areas and two toilets @ Wyresdale Park Snowhill Lane Nether Wyresdale	<b>It was noted that this is a retrospective application.</b>
<b>23/01158/LBC &amp; AMENDMENT</b>	Listed Building Consent for change of use of existing agricultural shippon to form dining hall (Class E(b)) with reception, bar, storage areas and two toilets. @ Wyresdale Park Snowhill Lane Nether Wyresdale	<b>The PC has no objection.</b>
<b>24/00054/FULMAJ</b>	COU of land to allow siting of up to 9 holiday lodges and construction of associated infrastructure. (Resub 23/00439/FULMAJ) @ Brook Lodge Oakencloough Road Nether Wyresdale Scorton	<b>The PC has no objection.</b>

12. Decision notices(status):

<b>Application number</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Decision</b>
<b>23/00439/FULMAJ</b>	Change of use of land to allow siting of up to 16 holiday lodges and construction of associated infrastructure @ Brook Lodge Oakencloough Road Nether Wyresdale	<b>Refused</b>
<b>23/00966/FUL</b>	Two storey rear extension and replacement front porch @ Flat 7 The Chapel The Square Scorton	<b>Permitted</b>
<b>23/00438/FULMAJ</b>	Redevelopment of Taylors Farm equestrian centre incl provision of B & B guest accommodation with facilities, function rooms and reception @ Taylors Farm Long Lane Scorton	<b>Permitted</b>

23/00954/FUL	Erection of an agricultural building, 2 x polytunnels, 2 x seed storage containers 1 x welfare unit, creation of hardstanding, and creation of new vehicular access off Tithe Barn Lane. (resub of 23/00363/FUL) @ Greenark Woodland Nursery, Tithe Barn Lane, Scorton	<b>Refused</b>
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### 13. Highways:

#### **Drains various areas**

The below stated areas have had a problem identified following rainfall:

- ❖ The Square (outside The Priory and school house) – Drain collapsed. Also near Kettlewell, water bubbling up from the drain.
- ❖ Wyresdale Crescent/Factory Brow – Deep flooding.
- ❖ Long Lane (between Tuft Cottage and Park Gate) – Flooding.
- ❖ Cleveley Bank Lane (near Blands Cottage) junction with Long Lane – Flooding to the extent that it has become unpassable.
- ❖ Oakenclough Rd (outside The Smithy and Forge) – Water pours out of the drain which is blocked.

#### **Love clean Street APP**

It was stated that often there is a message to say that a particular job is done when there is still an issue and that jobs can't be reported more than once. The clerk to include in her response to Highways.

#### **Tithebarn Lane Bridge repair**

Cllr Collinson stated that the repair has been done to a poor standard and the brickwork is not aligned. The clerk to include in her response to Highways.

Regarding some of the above, Cllr Collinson will send images to the clerk for her to report to Highways.

### 14. Lengthsman:

#### **Jobs undertaken**

The clerk circulated the latest time sheets via email prior to the meeting.

### **Jobs to be done**

The PC agreed that he should undertake roadside litter picking generally throughout the parish.

#### 15. Village Hall:

**No update**

#### 16. Finance:

**Account update:** As of 4<sup>th</sup> January is **£22,153.33**

Item approved for payment :

**The Play Inspection Company (Playing field inspection) - £99.00**

Items paid:

**Lengthsman invoice November - £450.50** (including £51.00 PRow) paid 6/12/23

**Lengthsman invoice December - £433.50** paid 09/01/24

#### 17. Health & Safety:

**No health and safety concerns raised.**

#### 18. Points of interest:

##### **Dog Fouling (Nicky Nook)**

Cllr Collinson discussed. PC agreed that the clerk should contact Wyre Council for their action. Cllr Atkison stated that she would make enquires about signage from Hettie Byrne (AONB).

##### **Wyre Council tax base**

The clerk was asked to seek clarification as to how this is calculated for the different areas.

#### 19. Date of next meeting: **21<sup>st</sup> March 2024**

**As there was no further business, the meeting concluded @ 9.15PM**

## **APPENDIX 1 – CORRESPONDENCE (EMAILED)**

**WC – Press release: Remembrance services taking place in Wyre**

**WC – Council minutes 26/10 link**

**WC – Audit and Standards agenda supplement 14/11 link**

**WC – Planning minutes 1/11 link**

**WC – Press release: funding secured for Wyre’s pools**

**Rural Services Network (RSN) – Rural bulletin 7/11, 14/11, 21/11, 28/11, 5/12, 12/12**

**War memorials bulletin**

**NALC – Newsletter 8/11/, 29/11, 6/12, 13/12**

**NALC – Chief executives bulletin 9/11, 16/11, 23/11, 30/11, 7/12, 14/12, 21/12**

**WC – Press release: Wyre business winners 2023**

**WC – Wyre Voice publication 2024 request for content**

**LCC – Winter stakeholder bulletin 10/11, 17/11, 8/12, 29/12**

**LCC – Rd closure Abbeystead Rd, Dolphinholme 11/01/24**

**LCC – Rd closure Tithebarn Lane 13/11/23-15/11/23**

**WC – Overview & Scrutiny agenda & minutes 20/11 link**

**WC – Licensing agenda, supplement x 2 & minutes 22/11 link**

**Flood Forum meeting dates 2024**

**WC – Register of Electors Dec 2023**

**WC – Audit and Standards agenda supplement & minutes 14/11 link**

**WC – Portfolio Holder decisions agenda 23/11 link**

**WC – Cabinet agenda 29/11 link**

**WC – Council agenda & minutes 30/11 link**

**WC – Portfolio holder decisions x 3 23/11 links**

**WC – Licensing agenda 4/12 link**



**LCC – Rd closure Tinker’s Lane 27/11-29/11**

**LCC – Crowdfund Lancashire advice session Garstang Library 7<sup>th</sup> Dec**

**WC – Flood Forum meeting 14/12**

**WC – Planning agenda, supplement and minutes 6/12 link**

**WC – Press release: Council plan statement**

**WC – Items published 1/12 links**

**WC – Schedule of executive decisions 1/12, 2/1/24 links**

**LCC – Lancashire devolution newsletter**

**RSN – Rural Funding Digest Dec**

**LCC – Bus info**

**LCC - Rd closure Tithebarn Lane 08/01/24 -26/01/24 x 2**

**WC – Press release: holiday activity & food clubs in Wyre**

**LCC – Trading Standards consumer alerts Dec**

**WC – Planning Policy newsletter**

**WC – Flood Forum meeting info for meeting 14/12**

**LCC – Rd closure for Legend Fire’s Event 24/04/24**

**WC – Portfolio holder decisions agenda 21/12 link**

**LCC – Bus service changes Dec (incl Christmas & New Year) & Jan**

**WC – Items published 2/1 links**

**WC- Cabinet agenda 10/1 link**

**LCC – Crowdfund Lancashire**

## **APPENDIX 2**

### **Response from Highways Laura Barlow on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024 regarding Tithebarn Lane:**

As you may be aware, we inspect all the county's adopted roads and footways for safety at least once a year, and more often on busier routes. We will also carry out additional inspections in response to reports we receive. In line with our maintenance policy, we will repair any carriageway defect identified during these inspections which is at least 40mm deep and 150mm in diameter. Any defects found upon inspection, which meet the aforementioned criteria, will be repaired. This will help to ensure that the carriageway remains safe and serviceable. We also welcome reports of potholes from members of the public, and we address these in the same way.

We inspect Tithebarn Road annually with the next inspection due before the end of January 2024. However, in light of your email we carried out an additional inspection of the specific area mentioned between the gas box and motorway bridge on 4 January 2024. This inspection did not identify any defects which met the above criteria. We will continue to monitor Tithebarn Lane in accordance with our Highways Safety Inspections and carry out repairs to defects which meet our minimum investigatory levels.