

HEATH CHARNOCK PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the parish council was held on Thursday, 12 June 2014 at the Community Centre, Railway Road, and beginning at 7.30.

Apologies Cllr Oakes

Present Cllrs Ashworth (in the Chair), Styles, Davison, Hendrickson, Adams, Williams; Borough and County Cllr Snape; police volunteer Ms Chamberlain

There were no declarations of any pecuniary interests.

Police matters Ms Chamberlain reported that there had been two thefts in Heath Charnock in the previous month.

44/14 Minutes Proposed by Cllr Davison, seconded by Cllr Adams, that the minutes of the last meeting be passed as a correct record.

45/14 Matters arising

There were no matters arising other than those on the agenda

46/14 Freedom of Information

This is now finalised.

47/14 Annual meetings procedures

Deferred to a future meeting.

48/14 Parish Plan

Deferred to a future meeting.

49/14 Planning

Application withdrawn

14/00299/COU. 4 Chorley Road: change of use, bed & breakfast to children's home.

New applications

14/00524/FUL, 11 Eller Brook Close: 2-storey side extension. Refer to neighbours.

Gipsy, Traveller and Showpeople's sites

The preferred options consultation document was received after the publication of this meeting's agenda. The options were discussed and it was noted that there had been objections to the Cowling Farm, Chorley, site from Heath Charnock residents in Flag Lane. It was agreed by a majority of members that the parish council would support the Cowling Farm site, which is the choice of Chorley Council. Cllr Styles voted against this course of action on the grounds that it had not been on the agenda, and due consideration had not been given to the other sites identified in the consultation.

Land off Babylon Lane

To preclude any speculation, it was resolved to place on record that the parish council would oppose any proposal to develop the safeguarded land.

50/14 Accounts Passed for payment were:
Cllr Styles for the website domain £38.26
Clerk's salary and expenses £251.52
HMRC for PAYE £62.00

Balance @ Yorkshire Bank, 23 May was £8589.86

51/14 Donation towards book

The Millennium Committee requested confirmation that the parish council would contribute £1000. It was agreed that the parish council should see a draft of the book before making a decision.

51/14 Bank account

The interest rate at the Credit Union is low, and the Yorkshire Bank does not offer an interest-bearing account which would be available to the parish council. It was resolved to defer the matter until such time as interest rates recover.

52/14 Correspondence

SELRAP newsletter (Settle & East Lancs. Railway)

Notice that the Borough/Parish Liaison meetings have been incorporated into the 3-tier structure. (Previously circulated to members by email.)

53/14 Matters of interest

Matters referred from the May meeting to the Chief Executive, were explained by the CE and the reply was circulated to members by email. It is hoped that the traveller site will be resolved following the consultation on preferred options, without the need for further time. The legal process with regard to Skew Bridge was to begin 19 May.

Cllr Styles reported on the World War 1 Commemoration meeting. He offered to put the clerk's research onto the Heath Charnock website, and this was agreed.

Next meeting: To be arranged (14 August)

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.30.