

HEATH CHARNOCK PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the parish council was held on Thursday, 13 August 2015 at the Community Centre, Railway Road, and beginning at 7.30.

Apologies Cllr Ashworth

Present Cllrs Oakes (Chair), Davison, Hendrickson, Adams, Styles, Williams., Borough and County Councillor Snape

There were no declarations of any pecuniary interests.

51/15 Minutes Proposed by Cllr Styles seconded by Cllr Williams that the minutes of the last meeting be approved as a correct record.

52/15 Matters arising

Land at Skew Bridge

The Section 215 notice has not been fully complied with. Refer to Enforcement.

Hole House Bridge

This has been inspected by LCC and found to be satisfactory. Blocked gullies have been cleared.

Temporary signage

Not all of this has been removed. Refer to LCC.

WW1 commemoration

There were 14 casualties from Babylon Lane. A blue plaque was suggested by Cllr Styles.

60 Rawlinson Lane

Inspected by Enforcement; no further information to date.

53/15 Planning

Permission granted

15/00555/FUL, Lee House, Back Lane: extensions.

15/00530/FUL, 16 Long Lane: extension

New application

15/00726/FUL, barn, E. of 16 Long Lane. No objection.

54/15 Newsletter

It was resolved that Cllr Adams will edit the newsletter. Cllr Adams will also compile an article on recycling. Cllr Williams asked for a reference to the In Bloom projects. The clerk will compile an article on the history of the parish council.

55/15 Accounts

Passed for payment:

Clerk's salary and expenses for July and August £533.58

HMRC for PAYE £127.60

Balance @ Yorkshire Bank 25 June was £10004.82.

56/15 Annual Return

There were no issues arising from the external audit, and no charge.

57/15 Correspondence

LALC: email asking whether the council is yet compliant with the Transparency Code. To ask for further information.

Scarecrow Festival organisers: email asking for support in principle for a scarecrow festival in 2016. To confer with Adlington TC.

Skylarks Network: This is an initiative to provide support for people with long-term illnesses etc. by forming choirs. Support was requested, and it was agreed to look at this at the November budget meeting.

58/15 Matters of interest

Cllr Hendrickson referred to the flowering cherry trees on council land. These require professional pruning. It was agreed to look at this at the November budget meeting.

Cllr Hendrickson has resigned from the Community Association Committee.

Cllr Davison referred to parking on Babylon Lane, after the double yellow lines and on a bend. It was agreed to photograph the site and refer to LCC.

Cllr Adams referred to the new lighting system on Babylon Lane, which throws the area between lighting columns into deep shade. To refer to LCC.

Cllr Adams also wished to check that pothole patching on Long Lane is going ahead, as referred to in emails to Cllrs Snape and Williams, 18 July.

Cllr Styles referred to the Community Road Watch survey of traffic which had taken place in Babylon Lane, and asked for a request to be submitted for a similar survey on the 20mph section of Rawlinson Lane.

Cllr Styles asked for a request to be made to Chorley Council for regular mowing of the verge on Nick Hilton's Lane.

Cllr Styles referred to the matter of a notice board for Chorley Road (Hole House Bridge). The old board has been taken down, but the posts are still in situ. This could be a problem for the installers, and it was agreed to refer to them before placing an order. A new notice board for Limbrick will be discussed at the November budget meeting.

Cllr Styles referred to a van, frequently parked adjacent to the junction of Chorley Road and Rawlinson Lane and obscuring sight lines. Agreed to refer this to the parking services.

Cllr Styles informed the members that he is to leave the district in September. As he will be within the 3 mile limit of the parish boundary, he will remain on the council until May, but not seek re-election.

Cllr Williams reported that the drain/gully at the junction of Chorley Road and Waterford Close is blocked. To refer to LCC.

Next meeting: 10 September

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