

Whittington Parish Council

DRAFT Minutes Parish Council Meeting Monday 18th September 2023

No members of the public attended the public meeting.

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Present at the meeting: Cllrs Colin Hall, Iain Sutherland, David Hutton, City Cllr Ross Hunter and the Clerk, Gillian Newton. No members of the public were present at the PC meeting.

1618 Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Kormanic and Fell.

1619 Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 17th July 2023 were read and agreed as a true record and signed by Cllr Hall.

1620 Clerk's report – Clerks and Councils Direct newsletter Issue 149 available at <https://www.clerksandcouncilsdirect.co.uk/> Cllr Fell to complete Change of Notification of Interests, if any, and Declaration of Acceptance of Office at next meeting.

1621 **PACT.** 1 crime reported during June; criminal damage and arson, includes damage to buildings and vehicles and deliberate damage by fire, on or near Main Street, crime under investigation. Lancashire Constabulary representative PC 3511 James Hodgson, Lancaster, Lune Valley Rural Areas. <https://doitonline.lancashire.police.uk/ContactAnOfficer/Create?collarNumber=3511&firstName=James&lastName=Hodgson> The link to local crime figures available at <https://www.police.uk/pu/your-area/lancashire-constabulary/upper-lune-valley/?tab=CrimeMap> Tel: 101 for non-emergencies, or from an internet connected mobile, 112. Download <https://what3words.com/about-us/> to identify your exact location eg: bus stop at village hall is **surprises:splashes:printers**

1622 Finance

- a) Signatories mandate – Cllrs Hutton and Kormanic to be added as new signatories, S.Close and L.Morgan to be removed, countersigned by 2 Cllrs who are currently signatories. Cllrs Hutton and Kormanic will receive Email from “**hooyu**” 10 days from bank receiving mandate, Cllrs can go to local Nat West branch with Photo Identification AND proof of address, eg recent utility bill, bank to stamp as certified in order to proceed. Form to be completed at next meeting.
- b) Notice of penalty assessment HMRC £200.00 - Notification of cancellation 29/09/2023
- c) CHEQUE 681 £40.89 G.Newton, Clerk's expenses, agreed by Cllrs.
- d) CHEQUE 682 £154.00 I.Sutherland, Defibrillator pads, agreed by Cllrs.
- e) CHEQUE 683 £cost to be confirmed M.Fell, 2 gazebos for village events, agreed by Cllrs.
- f) CHEQUE 684 £140.00 C.Hall, raffle prize donation for summer event, agreed by Cllrs.
- g) Standing Order 6th October £350.00 Clerk's wages
Current account 15/08/23 £12,756.38 Bonus Saver Account 15/08/23 £145.14

1623 Planning

23/00364/FUL Demolition of existing porch and car port, erection of a two storey side extension, erection of a single storey rear extension, erection of a single storey detached garages, installation of a package treatment plant, re-grading of land and alterations to existing access for Mr&Mrs P Haslam, Sellet Mill Cottage, Mill Lane, Whittington, LA6 2OG **Application Refused**

23/00317/FUL Erection of a single storey rear extension for Mr G Bennion, 2 Croft View, Main Street, LA6 2NX **Application Granted**

Planning applications available for public viewing at <http://planapps.lancaster.gov.uk/publicaccess/>

1624 Correspondence

- 3 **LALC/NALC, Lancaster City Council** none this month. **Lancashire County Council** Consumer Alerts for August & September circulated electronically and displayed on noticeboards. Traffic issues <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-travel/report-it/report-it-on-the-go/> Love Clean Streets report Ref 3552067 completed minute 1618 last meeting report of broken or dislodged manhole cover and draining grids needed clearing. Potholes on B6254 ongoing issues. Electronic communication update. Contact 3 villages Email wagtailnews@gmail.com Subscribe to WhittingtonNews online blog, send contact details to whittingtonparish@gmail.com D-Day Anniversary 6th June 2024 – beacon lighting to be discussed at next meeting. Lune Valley Ramble – state of disrepair to be discussed at next meeting. Morecambe Town Council weed spraying and requesting locations and availability of outdoor water supply, Cllr Hall volunteered his bore hole. Dates and start time of meetings in 2024 agreed by Cllrs.
- Whittington Gardening Competition** – Hanging Baskets 1st Ingledene, 2nd 1 Chestnuts, 3rd Church Hill; Container & Tubs 1st Church Hill, 2nd T’Owd Rose Tree, 3rd St. Michael;s House; Front Garden 1st Old School House, 2nd Hillside, 3rd Croft House; Secret Garden 1st Cockin Barn, 2nd 2 Crosslands, 3rd Croft View; OVERALL 1st Church Hill, 2nd Old School House, 3rd Ingledene. Thanks to all those who took part, Congratulations to the winners and many thanks to the judges. Email received from the Clerk at Burrow Parish Meeting regarding knotweed and the state of disrepair to the banking opposite the Lune Valley Ramble., to be discussed at next meeting. Cllr Kormanic noted the Whittington Village Survey completed in 2000, Cllrs to locate original survey and discuss at a future meeting; Possibility of introducing a scheme to look after elderly and vulnerable during Autumn and Winter, eg: shopping, etc similar to the scheme implemented during COVID19, to be discussed at next meeting; Church grounds voluntary strimming service to be discussed at next meeting; Footpath linking the church towards the village hall to be discussed at next meeting; Whittington Dog Show to be discussed at next meeting; State of local highway eg: potholes, etc Cit Cllr Hunter to take comments to City Council and to be discussed at next meeting. Cllr Hall reported concerns of parishioners of increase in traffic through the village, particularly at weekends, City Cllr Hunter to take to City Council meeting. City Cllr Hunter reported the Budget of Lancashire County Council and cuts requiring to be made; 1st round of the Development Fund completed, 8 projects approved including Carnforth swimming pool and Silverdale beach trail. 2nd round of funding available in 18 months.

Date of next meeting **Monday 20th November** in Whittington Village Hall at **7.00pm**

Preceded by an open public meeting at 6.45pm

Dates of meetings 2024 Mondays at 7pm 15th January; 18th March; Annual Assembly & APCM & PC meeting 20th May start 6.30pm; Mondays at 7pm 15th July; 16th September; 18th November.

Cheques this month Signed by Cllrs Hall, Sutherland and Fell as appropriate.

	681	£40.89	G.Newton	Expenses
	682	£154.00	I.Sutherland	Defibrillator pads
S137	683	£cost tbc	M.Fell	2 x gazebos for summer events
S137	684	£140.00	C.Hall	raffle prize donations for summer event