

CABUS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Cabus Parish Council meeting held in Cabus Village Hall on
Monday 22nd May 2017 at 7:30pm

Record of members present: Parish Cllrs R Hastings (Chair), R Bruce, J Hudson, L Jackson, M Houghton.

In attendance: LCC Cllr S Turner, P Whitaker (Lengthsman), L Banton (Clerk).

Three members of the public were present.

Opening Address from the Chairman

Cllr Hastings welcomed newly elected Lancashire County Councillor Sean Turner to the Cabus Parish Council meeting and on behalf of Cabus Parish Council expressed sincere thanks to Cllr Sandra Perkins for all the hard work she had undertaken during her period of elected office at LCC.

1709. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Wyre Borough Cllrs Balmain, Lady Atkins and Collinson.

1710. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

It was resolved that the minutes of the last meeting of Cabus Parish Council (held on 27th March 2017) be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record. All actions previously attributed to Cllr Perkins would be followed up by the Clerk for succession planning purposes.

1711. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None declared

1712. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The meeting was adjourned to allow for a period of public discussion.

Lancashire County Council

County Cllr Turner confirmed his appointment as Lead Member for Health and Adult Services and that he had access to a small grant for local initiatives/projects.

Parking on Grass Verges outside commercial premises

Raised by members of the public (see also previous minutes): cars continuing to be parked outside commercial premises creating public footpath access difficulties. Cllr Turner agreed to take the matter up with Highways and to liaise with the Clerk when response received.

Light pollution of local commercial premise on A6

Raised as being out of keeping with rural area as premise lit throughout the night (see also previous minutes). Cllr Turner to take the light pollution matter up with Wyre Planning Office.

Planning Application 17/00435/OUT

Concerns were raised by members of the public present regarding the number and type of dwellings proposed in the outline application - not being in keeping with the local area. Parking problems had also been experienced in the area with cars from Old Holly Farm parking on grass verges at peak times and the continued necessity for the overflow car park (28 days appeasement for parking overflow) on the field opposite Old Holly Farm (land adjacent to Inglewood Cabus). The outline application was extremely limited in detail and Cllr Turner agreed to ask the case officer to provide further details – if available.

Members of the public and Cllr Turner departed.

The meeting was reconvened at 8.15pm.

1713. REPORTS AND INFORMATION

LALC Wyre Area Committee – 26 April 2017 attended by Cllrs Hastings, Bruce and the Clerk. Written report circulated by email after the meeting.

Planning Workshop – 11 May 2017 attended by Cllrs Houghton and Bruce. Noted that presumption is in favour of planning unless strong reasons against.

Canal Towpath Project Meeting – 18 May 2017 attended by Cllrs Hastings, Bruce and Houghton. The Lancaster Canal Towpath Renovation Project Report circulated by hardcopy (electronic copy awaited) was received and discussed.

Comments as follows: lack of attention in the report to the detail that had been provided by Cabus Parish Council and financial elements considered to be unrealistic, investment in another parties asset by raising the precept not considered appropriate, 2.5m wide towpath is too wide. Response to be drafted with clear message that Council not willing to engage further in the project whilst in its current form.

It was resolved that the clerk draft a letter in response.

Chairman’s Report

Civic Sunday Service for WBC Mayor Elect attended on 14th May 2017

Neighbourhood Planning Discussion for Cabus Parish Councillors took place 24 April 2017. Local Plan Timetable subsequently received and noted.

Lengthsman

Mr Whitaker reported on his work within the parish and drew attention to the following: hedge oppoeunite Crofters has at last been cut back (sides) , drains on A6 all cleaned, manhole on Fowler Hill Lane very loose and requires notification to highways (Clerk to action). Copy of Lengthsmans insurance available and will be passed to the clerk.

1714. FINANCIAL MATTERS

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

It was resolved that the following be authorised for payment.

PAYEE	REASON	AMOUNT	CHEQUE NO.
Lorna Murdoch	Internal audit yr ending March 2017	£70	000775
Houghtons Filling Station	Lengthsmans account	£50.90	000776
L Banton	Clerk’s expenses: Broadband (March & April)	£21	000777
R. E. Hastings	Chairman’s chain (Carrs and Carol’s Tailoring)	£32	000778
Chris Rycroft	Website hosting and domain renewal 2017-2018	£62.14	000779
Paul Whitaker	Lengthsmans Work (March)	£148	000780
Paul Whitaker	Grass Cutting 2 cuts (out of 8)	£575	000781
Paul Whitaker	Lengthsmans Work (April)	£148	000782
AON UK	Council Insurance 2017-2018	£367.47	000783

AUTHORISED PAYMENTS SINCE LAST MEETING

Clerk’s Salary - £232.26 – 28th March 2017; £231.03 – 28th April 2017

1715. Trees and Wildflower Planting Scheme

Photos of sparse areas and report of mapped areas for potential planting received with thanks from Mr Whitaker. Clerk to scan and circulate report.

It was resolved to invite Lara Hurley (plant specialist) to next meeting.

1716. Planning Application Consultation

Application Number: 17/00435/OUT

Proposal: Outline Application for four dwellings

Location: Land Adjacent Inglewood Cabus Nook Lane Cabus Lancashire PR3 1AA

Comments/Resolution: Concerns were expressed regarding the lack of detail provided on the outline application, the type of housing being proposed, the lack of footpath on Cabus Nook Lane, increased traffic and parking on grass verges outside Old Holly Farm and the potential loss of the overflow car park to provide safer parking and obviate the need to park on Cabus Nook Lane during busy periods (see 09/00059 OHF/DA 28 Jan 2009).

1717. NEXT MEETING

The date for the next Meeting of Cabus Parish Council was confirmed as Monday 17th July 2017 at 7.30pm in Cabus Village Hall (apologies received from Cllr Hudson).

The meeting closed at 9.45pm

Signed:
Chair of Cabus Parish Council

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