

# **WHITLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

## **Minutes of Meeting held on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2009 in the Village Hall at 7.30pm**

**Present:** C. Straw (Chairman)  
J Cooper  
S Tolson,  
C.Ure  
T Pitchford  
District Councillor M.Byram  
J Shaw (Clerk)

**1. Apologies** T Moore, J Critchley & District Councillor N. Wright

### **2. Minutes of Meeting of 7<sup>th</sup> September 2009:**

The minutes were agreed and signed by the Chairman

### **3. Matters arising:**

Concerns have been expressed about the increase in traffic on the A559 if the proposed waste incineration plant is sited in Wincham. No permission has yet been granted for either Lostock or Wincham. Copies of the Property and Financial Risk Assessment reports were given to all Councillors. It was agreed that maintenance work required should be carried out on the properties. The Financial Risk Assessment report was accepted and copies of both reports are attached to these minutes.

The Chairman and Clerk had attended the CHALC AGM and the Chairman reported that six resolutions had been accepted and one refused. A copy of the CHALC Annual Report will be circulated. The BT offer to sell the red telephone box on the A559 to the Council for £1 was discussed. Professor Frank Sale and Mr David Critchley, residents who had been approached, felt that it should only be retained if a use could be found for it. The Council felt they could not make a decision and the subject was deferred to the next meeting.

The phone box on the A49 has still not been removed and the Clerk has advised BT again.

There has been no response to the notice in the Village News asking for applications for the position of Parish Clerk. It was suggested that notices should be placed in the Village Hall and the Clerk would attend to this.

### **4. General correspondence received since that meeting:**

Spatial Planning News October Issue 1.  
Partnership West October edition 9.  
Plunket Foundation.  
Rural Touring Network autumn season brochure.

Land Registry information for Parish Councils. The Chairman will make enquiries regarding land at No 1 Pitt.  
Community Select Panel meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> September. The Chairman had attended and reported that the Local Charter will remain and cost savings had been achieved.

### **5. Highways A49 and A559:**

A letter to Mr Naylor from Highways was circulated to Councillors at the meeting. The letter and Mr Naylor's reply were discussed and it was agreed that Mr Naylor's reply should be sent to Highways. The Chairman and Clerk had received copies of correspondence between Mrs Cairns the police and highways regarding the A49. The Chairman will write to Mrs Cairns to thank her for the tremendous time and effort she has put in trying and make the authorities take action on the A49.

### **6. Finance:**

Bills to be paid:

Copy Centre, Village News	£42.10
WMT Services grass cutting first cut Oct	£75.00

Bills Paid:

WMT Services, Grass Cutting Sept	Chq 784	£150.00
Clerk ½ year salary	Chq 785	£550.00

Received:

VAT reclaim	£1570.68
Bank interest	£2.29

Balance of Current Account at 26 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2009	£ 100.00
Balance of Reserve Account at 26 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2009	£15130.89

### **7. Planning:**

#### **Applications Received.**

09-01415-FUL Bentley Lodge, Normans Lane.  
Single and two storey rear extension.  
No objection.

09-01760-FUL Brackendale, School Lane.  
Alterations & extension including increase in roof height and addition of dormer windows.  
No objection.

09-01868-FUL. Whitley Village Hall, Village Lane.  
Erection of two lighting columns in car park.  
Those Councillors who are also VH committee members declared an interest and took no part in any discussions of or decision upon the application. No objection.

APP/A0665/A/09/2114810 Rouge Farm, Normans Lane.  
Change of use of land to domestic curtilage. Appeal of application  
07-0726-COU. Objection, the same grounds as before.

**Applications Permitted.**

09-01415-FUL. Bentley Lodge, Normans Lane.  
Single and two storey rear extension.

09-01760-FUL. Brackendale, School Lane.  
Alterations & extension including increase in roof height and addition  
of dormer windows.

**Applications Refused.**

09-01419-FUL. Yew Tree Nurseries, Normans Lane. Erection of  
agricultural workers dwelling.

APP/A0665/A/09/2102089. Hatton View Farm, Tarporley Road.  
Change of use from vacant/agricultural building to veterinary therapy  
clinic. Appeal of application 09-00063-COU

**8. No.2 Pit Update:**

The plans have been received from Cheshire East and it is necessary to  
establish who is responsible for the Donlan's fence.

**9. Lower Whitley Copse Project:**

The wild flowers are doing well and the WI may possibly be interested  
in planting a bee garden. The possibility of further tree work will be  
investigated.

**10. Community Pride Competition:**

The results of the Best Kept Village competition have been received  
and we finished in third place in our group. In many categories we  
were excellent and overall the result was encouraging. The report will  
be published in the next edition of the Village News.

**11. School Governance:**

Mrs Pennington has kindly agreed to be the Councils nominee on the  
Whitley School Governors Board.

**12. Parish Council Elections:**

Next elections will be in 2011.

**13. Business for the Next Meeting**

Budget 2010/11  
Red Phone Box  
A.O.B

**14. Date of Next Meeting:**

Monday 7th December 2009 at 7.30pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.10pm

Signed..... Chairman

Date.....