The monthly meeting was held at St Chads Primary School, on Monday 13th September at 7.30pm.

Present Chair McDonald; Parish Councillors Auwerx, Bell, Briscoe, Fogarty, B Higham, P Higham, Newall, Partington, Yates, Wood and the Clerk.

Apologies Councillor Evans

The meeting opened at 7.30pm.

Visitors Borough & County Councillor Riggott

The meeting was suspended at 7.32pm to allow Borough & County Councillor Riggott to address the Council.  
  
Cllr Riggott expressed his thanks to Cllr Newall and the Parish Council for the work that has gone into the Town Lane Planning Application Appeal. It is obvious that a lot of work and research has gone into the response and Whittle-Le-Woods was represented really well.  
  
Cllr Riggott asked if there are any issues in the area that he could possibly assist or advise on. The issue of parking around the Co-Op and along Chorley Old Road was raised. In particular the 2 cars and Camper van which park on the junction of Mill Lane and Chorley Old Road causing an obstruction. It was suggested that bollards along the footpath outside the Co-Op would discourage vehicles from being parked there rather than using the carpark.  
  
The meeting was reconvened at 7.41pm.

1. Minutes

\*21/09/01 The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

2. Changes in Declarations of Interest  
NA

3. Defibrillator checks  
All ok. Cllr Newall & Yates to advise tomorrow.

4. Planning Matters  
New  
1 Smith Street Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 7NE

Part two storey, part single storey side and rear extension

Reference 21/01057/FULHH | Alternative Reference PP-10175468

Application Validated Tue 31 Aug 2021 | Status Awaiting decision

*The Parish Council wish to ensure that due consideration is provided to the neighbours of the property. That all materials used are in keeping with the established dwelling and area, and that property boundaries are not encroached upon in any way.*

5 Tuson Lane Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 7FZ

Application for a certificate of lawfulness for a proposed single storey rear extension

Ref. No: 21/01021/CLPUD | Received: Sat 21 Aug 2021 | Validated: Mon 23 Aug 2021 | Status: Awaiting decision

*No comment required*

145 Town Lane Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 8AG

Part two storey, part single storey side extension

Reference 21/00238/FULHH | Alternative Reference PP-09556274 | Application Validated Mon 01 Mar 2021 | Status Awaiting decision

*The Parish Council wish to ensure that due consideration is provided to the neighbours of the property. That all materials used are in keeping with the established dwelling and area, and that property boundaries are not encroached upon in any way.*

68 Blackburn Road Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 8LH

Erection of one detached dwelling with associated landscaping and demolition of stables and store buildings (retrospective)  
Ref. No: 21/00896/FUL | Received: Wed 21 Jul 2021 | Validated: Wed 21 Jul 2021 | Status: Awaiting decision  
*The Parish Council object to this planning application.*

*It appears the applicant has made this planning application “more complicated” by including the plans that have been granted under 17/01124 and proposing / withdrawing the similar planning applications in the past.   
The size of the building is much larger (estimated to be 35 % to 45%) than original plans under 17/01124.*

*The building is not in keeping with the houses / buildings in area*

*The stables, which are still in use, and the store shed have not been demolished as per the original application.*

*The building appears to be occupied which it is thought is not in line with current planning regulations.   
Whilst the original application, dated in 2017 was based on removal of a stables and store shed, these stables were erected after 2014 and possibly modified without planning permission leading to the planning authority being misled.   
It also appears in this case; we may have a similar situation to what has occurred elsewhere where builders have erected house dwelling much larger than the original plans.*

145 Town Lane Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 8AG

Application for a certificate of lawfulness for a proposed detached outbuilding

Ref. No: 21/01040/CLPUD | Received: Thu 26 Aug 2021 | Validated: Thu 26 Aug 2021 | Status: Awaiting decision

*No comment required*

Brown Hill Farm Copthurst Lane Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 8LR

Outline application with all matters reserved for the replacement of stables with a dwelling.

Ref. No: 21/00959/OUT | Received: Wed 04 Aug 2021 | Validated: Wed 04 Aug 2021 | Status: Awaiting decision

*The Parish Council advise that an application for a dwelling in the green belt would normally be refused.*

4 Moss Terrace Moss Lane Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 8AB

Minor non material amendment to planning permission 20/01242/FULHH (single storey extension to side and rear following demolition of conservatory) to increase the width of the approved extension to the common boundary and to incorporate flush guttering along this elevation.  
Ref. No: 21/00963/MNMA | Received: Wed 04 Aug 2021 | Validated: Wed 01 Sep 2021 | Status: Awaiting decision  
*No comment required*

7 Irvine Place Buckshaw Village Chorley PR7 7FL

Proposed two storey side extension and the erection of new front porch (Resubmission of 21/00722/FULHH).

Ref. No: 21/01038/FULHH | Received: Wed 25 Aug 2021 | Validated: Wed 25 Aug 2021 | Status: Awaiting decision

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14 Stamford Drive Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 7HP

Application for work to a protected tree - Chorley BC TPO 12 (Whittle-le-Woods) 1992: Pruning of Oak tree within rear garden.

Ref. No: 21/01025/TPO | Received: Mon 23 Aug 2021 | Validated: Thu 26 Aug 2021 | Status: Awaiting decision

*Passed to Tree Warden*

19 Burghfield Drive Buckshaw Village Chorley PR7 7FN

First floor extension over existing garage, single storey rear extension and flue to side elevation

Ref. No: 21/01014/FULHH | Received: Thu 19 Aug 2021 | Validated: Thu 19 Aug 2021 | Status: Awaiting decision

*The flue on the side of the property is completely out of place. The extensions make this property much larger than the surrounding properties and will look incongruous.*

Rustic Oak Farm Moss Lane Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 8AA

Extension and alteration of existing detached garage/store in order to facilitate the provision of ancillary living accommodation to be used in conjunction with Rustic Oak Farm   
Ref. No: 21/01011/FULHH | Received: Wed 18 Aug 2021 | Validated: Wed 25 Aug 2021 | Status: Awaiting decision

*This is a development in the green belt by a creation of a new dwelling.*

*The materials suggested in the application might not be in keeping with the area.*

Royton Drive Whittle-Le-Woods

Application for advertisement consent for the display of 2no. non-illuminated totem signs   
Ref. No: 21/00970/ADV | Received: Mon 09 Aug 2021 | Validated: Mon 09 Aug 2021 | Status: Awaiting decision  
*This sign is far too big for the area. Half size would be more acceptable.*

14 Welch Walk Buckshaw Village Chorley PR7 7HQ

Erection of a single storey rear extension

Ref. No: 21/00957/FULHH | Received: Wed 04 Aug 2021 | Validated: Wed 04 Aug 2021 | Status: Awaiting decision

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13 Burghfield Drive Buckshaw Village Chorley PR7 7FN  
Application for works to protected trees - Chorley BC TPO 3 (Whittle-le-Woods) 2007: G1 - 1No. Sycamore and 6No. Birch - reduce branches growing towards house by 1 metre; T1 Oak - 20% Crown thin; and G2 - 15No. Birch - thin group by removing selected branches

Ref. No: 21/00953/TPO | Received: Tue 03 Aug 2021 | Validated: Mon 09 Aug 2021 | Status: Awaiting decision  
*Passed to Tree Warden*

34 Delph Way Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 7TG  
A single story extension with roof terrace to rear of property Open for comment icon

Ref. No: 21/00913/FULHH | Received: Fri 23 Jul 2021 | Validated: Fri 23 Jul 2021 | Status: Awaiting decision  
*The Parish Council wish to ensure that due consideration is provided to the neighbours of the property. That all materials used are in keeping with the established dwelling and area, and that property boundaries are not encroached upon in any way.*

Lucas Green Lucas Lane Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 7DA

Demolition of the existing dwellinghouse and the rection of 9no. detached houses with double garages, including provision of passing places and additional lighting columns to Lucas Lane East.

Ref. No: 21/00900/FUL | Received: Thu 22 Jul 2021 | Validated: Thu 22 Jul 2021 | Status: Awaiting decision  
*Objects: The surface water drainage system seems to be very similar to that installed at Hill Top View, Hill Top Lane.*

*The Parish Council know from experience that this does not work as the manhole cover there is constantly raised during heavy rainfall.*

*We know all this surface water will end up in the River Lostock and there does not seem to be any reference in the application to what the implications would be at Waterhouse Green in terms of the flooding impact.*

*A detailed report of this needs to provided before this application can be fully considered.  
There is no information on this application on dealing with surface water drainage. There will be a direct impact on the stream that runs along Town Lane and into the River Lostock. There appear to be attenuation tanks on the plan, but it is known from experience in the locality that these do not work.*The Clerk is requested to email Cllr Kim Snape to bring this application to her attention. The application is in direct opposition to the appeal regarding the Town Lane Planning Application, and the LCC Highways response to keeping Lucas Lane as a ‘Green Lane’.

Rustic Oak Farm Moss Lane Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 8AA  
Change of use from equestrian use (part of a sand paddock) to wood storage (Use Class B8) (retrospective)

Ref. No: 21/00784/FUL | Received: Tue 22 Jun 2021 | Validated: Thu 12 Aug 2021 | Status: Awaiting decision

*The Parish Council feel that they are not in a position to comment on this application and will defer to the Chorley Planning Authority in this case*

125 Preston Road Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 7PJ

Single storey side and rear extensions (amendment to approved application 19/00227/FULHH including enlargement of previously approved extensions, changes to roof style and tiles - part retrospective)

Ref. No: 21/00754/FULHH | Received: Tue 15 Jun 2021 | Validated: Wed 11 Aug 2021 | Status: Awaiting decision

*The Parish Council wish to ensure that due consideration is provided to the neighbours of the property. That all materials used are in keeping with the established dwelling and area, and that property boundaries are not encroached upon in any way.*

Granted

Canalside 1B Dark Lane Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 8AE  
Minor non material amendment to planning permission 19/01080/FUL (Erection of 1no. dwelling) involving changes to window and door openings and boundary treatment details

Ref. No: 21/00879/MNMA | Received: Thu 15 Jul 2021 | Validated: Tue 03 Aug 2021 | Status: Granted

Refused  
Land 17M West Of 4 Halls Square Whittle-Le-Woods

Erection of 2no. sheds (following demolition of 2no. existing sheds)

Reference 21/00706/FUL | PP-09898455 Application Validated Thu 08 Jul 2021   
Status Refused, Decision Refuse Full Planning Permission, Decision Issued Date Wed 01 Sep 2021

5. Matters Arising  
It was unanimously agreed that a Whittle-Le-Woods Skip Day should be planned for as soon as possible. Clerk requested to liaise with CBC to ascertain the next available date for a skip day event to go ahead.

Parking on Chorley Old Road is becoming more and more of an issue, especially around the Co-op and Mill Lane junction. Agreed that the Clerk will write to the local PCSO in the first instance and request advice on enforcing more considerate parking

The next Parish Council Newsletter will be issued in November. The Clerk has suggested that it includes articles on the following topics, and requested that Councillors assist by providing content for some of the articles. Flood Action Group – Cllr Partington. Whittle Walks Project – Cllr Newall. Hockey Club – Cllr Wood. Other articles will cover the Queens Jubilee Event / Duck Race / Christmas Lunch for Seniors / Local Scout & Brownies groups.  
The Clerk requested that all articles be submitted by mid-October ready for inclusion in the Newsletter. It was suggested that those groups that have received CIL monies should be asked to contribute to the Newsletter.  
  
Queens Platinum Jubilee celebrations. Discussion was given to the celebrations planned for the 2nd June 2022, in particular the lighting of a beacon. The Clerk has researched hiring a gas fuelled Beacon rather than creating a bonfire. Cllr Briscoe suggested that a Laser could be used as an alternative to a Beacon. It was also discussed that there could be several Beacons or Lasers around the Village. Locations suggested are Pawsons Field; The Football Pitch behind St Chads School; St Johns Church.  
Clerk to look into the availability, cost and permissions requirements for either a Beacon or Lasers.  
  
Update on the Appeal Hearing for the Town Lane Development.  
Cllr Newall provided a summary of the appeal.  
Sir Lindsay Hoyle advised the Inspectorate that in essence enough is enough and the area has more than enough housing.  
CBC reviewed the numbers of properties built and argued that this additional application on current safeguarded land was against the current local plan and agreements in place.  
LCC Highways looked at the safety perspective of the application, citing access for Emergency Vehicles was too steep and also that the access for people with disabilities is in adequate.  
The Inspector did listen to all of the presentations made . There is no date provided for the conclusion of the Appeal as the Inspector will visit the site at some point prior to the conclusion.  
Cllr Yates thanked all those that have been involved in the Appeal and have represented Whittle-Le-Woods.

6. Clerks Update  
Insurance Quotes for Parish Council Insurance Renewal. Previous premium was £2678.77.   
Quotes received:  
BHIB - £2709.78 (3-year LTA £2543.22)  
Zurich – declined to quote due to timescales – cannot provide quote by the renewal date.  
Came & Co. – (Hiscox insurance) £3384.25 (3-year LTA £3,217.54)  
Unanimous decision. Resolved to instruct BHIB under the 3-year long term agreement.

Quotes for the Carwood Lane footpath – drainage & resurfacing.  
2 quotes received:  
Bedrock Landscapes – £1870.00 plus VAT (install 2 culverts which will run under the existing pathway and then re stone the pathway)  
Envirocare - £1295.00 plus VAT (To Replace worn away footpath with fresh gravel, two areas require work. The path will need to be raised up in order to prevent water logged areas from reaching the top of the path. The area next to the horse paddock will require stoning and also re boarding the edges. The area near hill top lane requires stoning only. Both areas will require the path to be cambered up to avoid flooding of the path)  
Resolved to instruct Bedrock Landscapes to carry out the requested works. Proposed by Cllr Newall, seconded by Chair McDonald.

Town Lane Hedges from Halls Square to Canal Bridge have been cut by request of LCC. There has been concern from residents that the height of the hedge is too high, but unfortunately there are no restrictions on the height of a hedge.  
Weeds along the same stretch of road have also been reported to CBC.

Nature Trail. The Tree Survey Report has been received from Treexpert. The Council found the report to be very comprehensive and informative. The Clerk advised that she had requested a quote to carry out the works required, and for this potentially be broken down by the urgency of the work required. Cllr P Higham advised that T1 (to the side of the Co-op) is actually the property of Mr Richard Ormisher, and he will seek Mr Ormishers permission for the Ivy to be cut back on this tree.  
The Clerk is to request a quote from Treexpert and a date for the start of the works.  
  
Christmas Event 2021. The event is planned for the first Sunday in December 05/12/21. Chair McDonald suggested that it would be great to invite 2 or 3 vendors to come along and provide food / Christmas goods during the event. Cllr Partington suggested that between 4pm and 8pm would be an ideal time. Cllr Newall advised that permission would be required from the Roebuck Inn.  
The Clerk will look into the required permissions and licences and research available street vendors.  
Cllr Partington advised that lights would be required for the Cottages on Water House Green.  
Cllr Partington also mentioned that there is a Bush on the bridge at Water House Green which needs to be cut back as it is blocking the footpath.

Maintenance Update, David Hull  
1. Cut the grass on Cow Well Lane x2  
2. Cut the hedge, strimmed lower vegetation, littered picked, cleaned up footpath and removed waste on Brewery Fields footpath.   
3. Cut back bushes, strimmed lower vegetation, cleaned up the footpath leading from Springs Crescent to the A674   
4. Strimmed footpath from Lady Crosse Drive to the A6  
5. Strimmed lower vegetation, cleaned up and removed waste on Carwood Lane.  
6. Weeded Rockery behind notice board on Chorley Old Road.  
7. Strimmed footpath and cut back bushes from Lady Crosse Drive to the Redrow estate.  
8. Strimmed Smith Street footpath.  
9. Cleared fence line on Hill Top Lane

7. Accounts  
 Outgoings for approval this meeting  
  
 Payments to be authorised via email to Clerk by 2 Bank Account Signatories

8. Any Other Business  
Chair McDonald Stile in need of repair (Lovers Lane)- Previously reported to LCC  
 Weeds along the stretch including Church Hill bus stop  
 The footpath to Smithy Fields needs spraying for weeds. Clerk

requested to report.  
Jake McDonald has requested the Hedgehog wildlife signs to be placed around the village by LCC. The signs make drivers aware of wildlife in the area, and also have the added benefit of persuading drivers to slow down.

Cllr Bell The Hedges on the Zigzag still haven’t been cut. Request the  
 Clerk to follow up  
 The footpath from Brewery Fields to Paradise Close still haven’t   
 been sprayed for weeds. Request the Clerk to follow up.  
 The Clerk is requested to write to Gary Hall with respect to the   
 barge on the Canal Basin  
Cllr Briscoe Request the Clerk to follow up on the removal of the Beech Tree   
 on the Junction of Dark Lane and Town Lane, plus the repair to   
 the stone wall on Town Lane.  
Cllr P Higham Cllr Higham advised that a property on the Cross Keys estate has

made changes to the property boundary. This could potentially provide vehicular access to the rear of the property, which would contravene the covenant placed on the Crosskeyes Estate. The boundary of Carwood Lane is to be kept as hedgerow, or in this area grass, and the boundary fences of the properties on Crosskeyes Drive are to be set back by 1 metre from the line of the hedgerow. The resident on Carwood Lane affected by the changes has been in discussion with CBC and will potentially be seeking enforcement action.

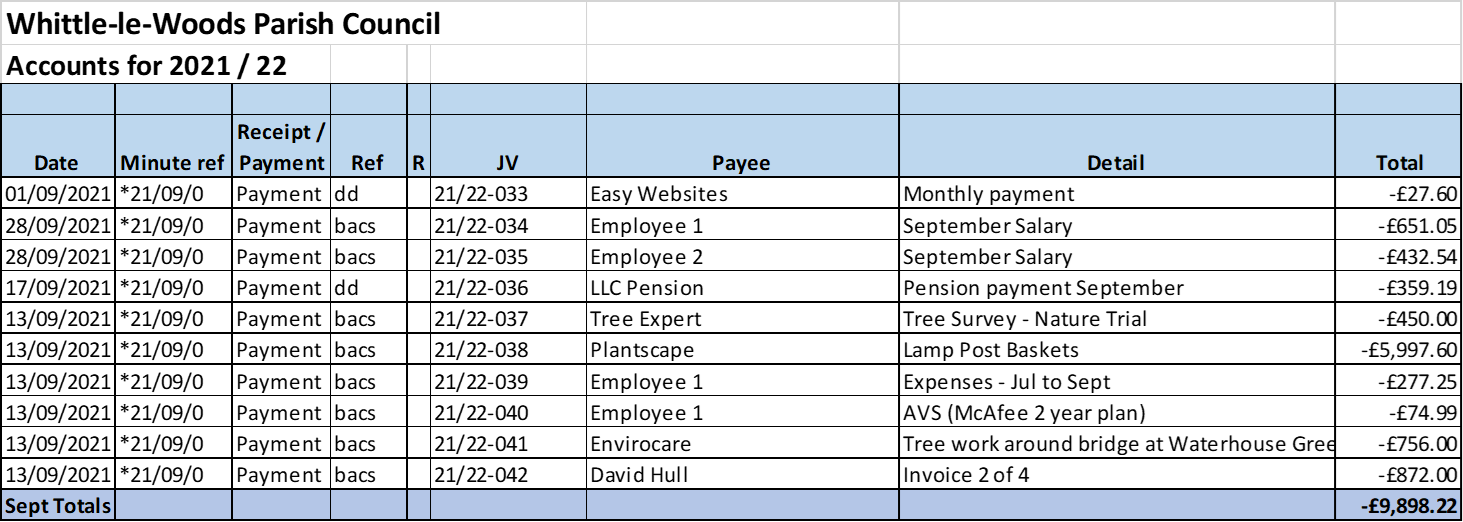
Cllr Fogarty Will provide photos of the potholes on Dark Lane to the Clerk  
Cllr Partington Quotes have been received for the Telemetry equipment. There   
 is a choice of a 1-year agreement or 3-year agreement. The   
 renewal date is 15/10/21. The Clerk is requested to note that  
 payment will be required for this service.

9. Confidential Items

Lengthman’s Leave Requested 24/08/21 to 03/09/21

The meeting closed at 20.49pm. The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 11th October at 7.30pm at St Chads School.

Payments & Receipts



Budget Tracking

