

The monthly meeting was held at the Village Hall, Union Street at 8pm on Monday, October 14th 2019.

Present Chair Newall, Parish Councillors Auwerx Evans, Fogarty, McDonald, Partington, Wood, Yates, and the Clerk.

Apologies Councillors Bell, Briscoe, B Higham and P Higham

The meeting opened at 8pm.

Visitors NA

1. Minutes

*19/10/01 The minutes of the previous meeting were approved, with 1 amendment & signed

2. Changes in Declarations of Interest

NA

3. Defibrillator checks

Water House Green – OK. Town Lane – OK. Hillside Crescent – No power to the unit. Chair Newall & Cllr Yates to investigate and advise Clerk if to be removed from the network until repaired.

The Chair also reminded the Clerk that Town Lane & Waterhouse Green both require replacement pads & batteries. Action – Clerk to order

4. Planning Matters

New

3 Parksyde Cottages Dawson Lane Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 7DS

Single storey rear extension and insertion first floor window in side elevation

Ref. No: 19/00883/FULHH | Received: Thu 12 Sep 2019 | Validated: Thu 12 Sep 2019 |

Status: Awaiting decision

Neutral comment - 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.

38 Berry Avenue Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 7FX

Single storey rear extension including first floor terrace with privacy screen Ref. No:

19/00867/FULHH | Received: Mon 09 Sep 2019 | Validated: Mon 09 Sep 2019 | Status:

Awaiting decision

Neutral comment - 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.

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

Application for works to protected trees - Chorley BC TPO 9 (Whittle-le-Woods) 1987: T2 Oak

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- Crown lift to 4M above ground level. T5 Sycamore - Remove three branches growing close to garage. T6 Oak - Prune two lower branches to give 2m clearance from garage. T7 Oak - Prune three lower branches to give 2m clearance from garage. Ref. No: 19/00838/TPO | Received: Sun 01 Sep 2019 | Validated: Thu 12 Sep 2019 | Status: Awaiting decision
Passed to Tree Warden

Land Bounded By Town Lane (To The North) And Lucas Lane (To The West) Town Lane
Whittle-Le-Woods

Application for Approval of Reserved Matters for 53 dwellings (Appearance, Landscaping, Layout, and Scale) following the grant of Outline Planning Permission 13/01055/OUTMAJ (Outline application (specifying the access) for residential development comprising up to 83 dwellings with vehicular access to be taken from Royton Drive).

Ref. No: 19/00830/REM | Received: Fri 30 Aug 2019 | Validated: Thu 26 Sep 2019 | Status: Awaiting decision - see comments in appendix.

47 Dunham Drive Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 7DN

Application for works to protected trees, Chorley BC TPO 7 (Whittle-le-Woods) 1996: T20 Sycamore - Fell; T21 Oak - Crown reduction to a maximum of 2M; T23 Oak & T24 Oak - Prune branches growing towards the house to a maximum of 1.5M; and T25 Oak - Crown lift to 4M above ground level.

Ref. No: 19/00826/TPO | Received: Tue 27 Aug 2019 | Validated: Thu 12 Sep 2019 | Status: Awaiting decision

Passed to Tree Warden

1 Leatherland Drive Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 7YD

Minor non-material amendment to planning permission 16/00509/FULMAJ (Residential development for the erection of 45 no. dwellings and associated landscaping and infrastructure) involving the conversion of existing garages to habitable accommodation involving alterations from garage doors to a window and door.

Ref. No: 19/00783/MNMA | Received: Mon 12 Aug 2019 | Validated: Fri 13 Sep 2019 | Status: Awaiting decision

Note from Cllr Higham – need to ensure that if the garage is to be converted to living accommodation then there needs to be sufficient off-road parking for the resident's cars

Brentwood Shaw Hill Drive Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 7PN

Application for works to protected trees - Chorley BC TPO 13 (Whittle-le-Woods) 2011 T3 Oak and T4 Oak - Prune branches growing towards house to give 2.5M clearance from property.

Ref. No: 19/00934/TPO | Received: Mon 30 Sep 2019 | Validated: Fri 04 Oct 2019 | Status: Awaiting decision

Passed to Tree Warden

Royal Oak Cottage Chorley Old Road Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 7NA

Application to discharge condition 5 (archaeological written scheme of investigation) of planning permission ref: 19/00371/FULHH (Two storey side extension following demolition of outbuildings).

Ref. No: 19/00927/DIS | Received: Fri 27 Sep 2019 | Validated: Tue 01 Oct 2019 | Status:

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Awaiting decision

Cllr McDonald declared an interest in this application.

Neutral comment - 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.

Land Adj 6 Catley Close Whittle Le Woods

The Council is currently considering an application to purchase an area of land adj to 6 Catley Close Whittle le Woods. The resident has asked if the Council would sell the land to enable him to extend his driveway. The matter will shortly be formally reported for Council consideration but as part of the process, Ward Member(s) and Parish Councils are informed of such applications have been received.

There is no issue with the sale of this land, however it was proposed that there should be a caveat that the land cannot be used or sold on for development at any time in the future.

Granted

37 Delph Way Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 7TG

Application to discharge condition no. 5 (landscaping) of planning permission ref: 19/00442/FULHH (Side/rear extension and internal alterations).

Ref. No: 19/00750/DIS | Received: Fri 02 Aug 2019 | Validated: Thu 08 Aug 2019 | Status: Granted

9 Lea Road Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 7PF

Single storey rear extension (following demolition of existing conservatory) Ref. No:

19/00777/FULHH | Received: Fri 09 Aug 2019 | Validated: Fri 09 Aug 2019 | Status: Awaiting decision

1 Spring Crescent Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 8AD

Detached garage.

Ref. No: 19/00747/FULHH | Received: Wed 31 Jul 2019 | Validated: Wed 31 Jul 2019 | Status: Granted

4 Halls Square Whittle-Le-Woods Chorley PR6 8AQ

Single storey rear extension

Ref. No: 19/00515/FULHH | Received: Tue 28 May 2019 | Validated: Fri 31 May 2019 | Status: Granted

Land to The Rear Of 173, 175 And 179 Chorley Old Road Whittle-Le-Woods

Outline planning application for the erection of 2no. dwellings including access and layout. All other matters reserved.

Ref. No: 19/00467/OUT | Received: Tue 14 May 2019 | Validated: Fri 17 May 2019 | Status: Granted

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

Outline planning application for the means of access for up to 10no. residential dwellings,

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following the demolition of the existing dwelling and garage. All other matters reserved.
Ref. No: 18/00367/OUTMAJ | Received: Fri 13 Apr 2018 | Validated: Fri 25 May 2018 |
Status: Granted

5. Correspondence

Forthcoming Issues and Options Consultation - Central Lancashire Local Plan
Cllrs were made aware of the consultation and provided with copies.

Blackburn Road Crash Barrier – Letter received from Cllr Keith Iddon supporting the decision of the LCC Highways Officers.
LCC Highways Officers have been to site and assessed the barrier in line with the Vehicle Restraint Barrier Code of Practice. They will not be repairing the existing barrier due to several factors. It is recommended that the lighting columns on the route are all upgraded to be passively safe.

Invite to Annual Remembrance Service
Chorley - Civic party invitation, 10.10am 10/11/19
Whittle & Clayton Remembrance Service – St Johns School Play Ground at 1.45pm.

Request for Grant – St Johns Parish Church for the ADVENTure event in December. The Council discussed the project and the estimated cost of £1000.00. It was agreed that Whittle-Le-Woods Parish Council would provide a grant of £250 towards the event. Proposed by Cllr McDonald, seconded by Cllr Evans.

6. Committee Updates / Events

Scarecrow Festival

There were not many entries for the competition that was run jointly with Clayton-Le-Woods this year. It was felt that it would be better to return to a voluntary festival in the future, without making it a competition, and just for Whittle-Le-Woods. Perhaps having a designated area to show off the scarecrows, such as the canal basin footpath. It was also suggested that perhaps a different festival could be arranged such as a pumpkin festival for Halloween.

2020 Whittle-in-Bloom

Cllr Newall is to meet with Tim Burrows from Lancashire Wildlife Trust to discuss the Canal Basin project.

Victory in Europe Day – Friday the 8th May 2020 (Bank holiday moved)

There is no information available as yet as to the suggested celebrations. Clerk to research any information.

The Whittle walks / maps CIL project update

A sub-committee has been set-up to co-ordinate this project.
The pre-meeting discussed the scoping study provided by Nature Nurture at length. The proposals were positively received by the Council. The next steps will be to identify the possible paths to include in the project. The Clerk will request further A1 sized copies of the Whittle-Le-Woods map from CBC to allow further scrutiny and development.

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Christmas tree switch on event.

Waterhouse Green cottage residents have agreed to the idea of having lights on their properties, which will make the area much more festive. 6 sets of 12m lights will be required. Cllr Partington will arrange the lights. The tree is arranged for delivery on Saturday 23rd November. Clerk to request Cllr Bell to source a cherry picker for the installation of the lights. The band and Tipi are booked. Jayne Rae has confirmed she will be honoured to switch on the lights for the village.

7. Reports from Representatives

(Chorley Liaison / Neighbourhood Area Meetings / Charity / Community Hall Trust / War Memorial / Planning & Environment / Grants /Finance / Staffing / Flooding)

Flooding committee – Cllr Partington has purchased equipment for the flood prevention scheme of £965.80.

Cllr Partington raised concerns regarding the proposed development 19/00830/REM and the very probable impact this would have on the flooding risk at Waterhouse Green and Town Lane.

Community Hall Trust

The duck race for 2020 will be moved to the second bank holiday in May to accommodate the VE celebrations.

The seniors Christmas party is planned for Wednesday 4th December.

War Memorial Committee

The AGM has been held. Eric Bell is the Chair, and the Vice Chair is a Clayton-Le-Woods Cllr.

Staffing

Appraisals have been held this week for the Lengthsman and the Clerk. Both employees of the Council received a positive outcome, and the thanks of the Council. The Lengthsman may require additional protective equipment, and will request this from the Clerk.

8. Clerks Report

Shaw Brow main sewer flooding – a letter has been sent to CBC planning, asking how this incident was allowed to occur, and what future preventative measures would be put in place.

Christmas Tree switch on – all booked and arranged.

Councillors Bios (Website) – Cllrs are requested to send the Clerk an updated biography and photo please.

Winter 2019 Newsletter

Cllr Briscoe Silent Soldier campaign.

Cllr McDonald Christmas Kids page.

Cllr P Higham Seniors Christmas Party.

9. Accounts

Outgoings to be approved / signed this meeting

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	Ref	JV	Payee	Detail	Total
*19/10/02	3021	19/20-057	Employee 2	Salary October	-£398.46
*19/10/03	3022	19/20-058	Employee 1	Salary October	-£428.14
*19/10/04	dd	19/20-059	LLC Pension	Pension payment	-£251.23
*19/10/05	3023	19/20-060	Nature Nurture	Whittle Walks Scoping Project	-£1,440.00
*19/10/06	3024	19/20-061	HMRC	PAYE Tax	-£127.53
*19/10/07	3025	19/20-062	JD Garstang	Mill Lane Coping Stones	-£50.00
*19/10/08	3026	19/20-063	PKF Littlejohn	Audit	-£480.00
*19/10/09	3027	19/20-064	David Hull	Maintenance Contract payment 2 of 4	-£717.25
*19/10/10	3028	19/20-065	C-L-W Parish Council	Scarecrow Festival	-£130.00
*19/10/11	3029	19/20-066	Dedrah Moss	Community Garden	-£20.29
*19/10/12	3030	19/20-067	Lisa Pickering	Printing Supplies	-£61.31
*19/10/13	3031	19/20-068	Neil Partington	Flooding Committee Materials	-£29.58
*19/10/14	100369	19/20-069	CBC	CIL Payment	£4,494.75
*19/10/15	BACS		Interest	Interest	£28.54

10. CIL Monies

Shooting Stars

This cheerleading group for children with special education needs is incorporated into Infinity Cheer & Dance, which is a business based on Kem Mill Lane. There was debate as to whether the requested CIL funding would actually support the business enterprise rather than provide equipment for the Shooting Stars team. Chair Newall to contact Helen Connolly to discuss further.

Chorley & South Ribble Shop Mobility

This application was discussed, but found that as this requires continual funding in the future it does not meet the criteria for a single provision of CIL funding. At this time the application will be declined.

11. Councillors' reports

- CLlr Yates Fence on Mill Lane in need of repair
Warburton's and Berry's lorries using Cow Well Lane to access Chorley Old Road
- CLlr Auwerx Pothole on Hillside Crescent – photo to be provided to Clerk
CLlr Partington Hedge on the corner of School Brow / Grassmere still hasn't been cut back
- CLlr Evans Manhole Cover on Chorley Old Road – photo to be provided to Clerk
Spring on Chorley Old Road – photo to be provided to Clerk
- CLlr Fogarty Potholes along Town Lane / Dark Lane – photo to be provided to Clerk
Grid on Town Lane – photo to be provided to Clerk
- CLlr Wood Provided information of Buckshaw Facebook pages to allow the Clerk to communicate with Buckshaw residents.
- CLlr Briscoe Lamp Post at the junction of Copthurst Lane & Town Lane has been knocked over by collision with a vehicle.

12. Confidential items

Clerk annual leave – 28/10/19 – 01/11/19 (5days)

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The meeting closed at 9.23pm. The next Parish Council Meeting will be held at the village hall on Monday 11th November at 7.30pm

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Appendix

19/00830/REM - Consultation from Chorley Council

Due to the constricted text allowed on the online comments section of the Planning Portal, please find the full comment below.

Whittle-Le-Woods Parish Council was first consulted on this development in 2011, application reference 11/00992/OUTMAJ. The application was refused in February 2012. At this time the Parish Council commented as follows:

The Parish Council feel very strongly that this application by Redrow should be refused. There are already plans in store for adequate housing throughout Chorley for the next 10 years and this would be an unnecessary development for Whittle-le-Woods.

Our comments relating to the Local Development Framework apply - see a link to the comments provided:

<http://www.whittlelewoodsparishcouncil.org.uk/October%202011%20Sites%20for%20Chorley%20Parish%20Council%20responses.pdf>

We would like to reiterate that we should not be building on this type of land at this stage - this land shouldn't be released for development within the next ten years. It is too early, and pre-empts the need. It is a purely green field sites, and brown field sites should obviously be prioritised.

Representations relating to the 'Sites for Chorley': Issues & Options Discussion Paper
My representation relates to a specific site suggestion

The Site Reference Number is: CH0016

Land to West of Lucas Lane 9.9 hectares

Proposed: Housing Comments October 2011:

The decision has been made to allocate this site for housing (site allocation HS1.44). The Parish Council stand by previous comments and do not accept that this site is appropriate for the proposed use.

Previous Comments January 2011: If development of housing was to take place on this land, it is likely that a footpath and World War 2 bunker would be lost. The necessary access from Town Lane would increase traffic here enormously. Whether taking a left or right turn from this proposed development area, it would make the already difficult junction worse. This is also a rain catchment area and an increase to the number of buildings would potentially cause problems with flooding. The flood water would be directed into the culvert on Town Lane but it would not be big enough to deal with the increased flow. This is an area which is liable to flooding, as in 1987. There is inadequate infrastructure in this area for a housing development of this size.

The Parish Council therefore do not accept that this site is appropriate for the proposed use.

Since that time the application has been resubmitted with various amendments, then the Parish Council was consulted on application reference 13/01055/OUTMAJ on 20/11/13. This application was tabled at the meeting on the 09/12/13. The Parish Council responded with a similar response as that above.

It was disconcerting to find that the same application was to be considered at the Development Control Committee on 10/09/19, almost 6 years after the last consultation of the Parish Council.

The application reference has now been amended to 19/00830/REM, which means, it is noted, that the original comments both Public and Consultee are no longer connected to this new reference.

In response to the consultation received on the 26/09/19 and discussed at the Parish Council meeting on 14/10/19 the Parish Council comments:

The flood risk to the lower lying areas of Whittle-Le-Woods will increase significantly. There has been a number of 'flood events' since the completion of the Redrow development on Lucas Lane/The

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Royals. The agreed planned balancing pond was instead changed to a storm drain, which does little to minimise the impact of the flood risk downstream of the Lostock. There is also a major electricity sub-station located at Waterhouse Green – the area probably most at risk of flooding. Any agreement to this application must include committed and enforceable flood risk management.

The planned access route is via Royton Drive, which is a narrow quiet residential street. There are concerns of safety and of the impact upon the local infrastructure of additional vehicles exiting the estate onto the A6 from Royton Drive, and of the additional resident’s impact upon the already stretch local infrastructure.

In summary: the impact to a beautiful green field site; the loss of historical sites – the footpath and WWII bunker; the previous report that historic trees should not be removed; the impact on the Historic Hamlet of Lucas Green which will finally lose its rural setting; the Lucas Lane Pasture Local Wildlife Site (Lancashire Biological Heritage Site (BHS 52SE09)); Chorley Council’s required Enhanced Boundary Treatment in 2013; and the approved application 17/00377 to provide up to 12 houses on land adjacent to Lady Crosse Drive all give rise to the conclusion the Whittle-Le-Woods Parish Council object to this application.

Lisa Pickering
Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer to Whittle-Le-Woods Parish Council

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Whittle-le-Woods Parish Council																		
Accounts for 2019 / 20																		
Date	Minute ref	Receipt / Payment	Reference	R	JV	Payee	Detail	Admin	Salaries	War Mem	Loan	Maint	Grants	Project/Misc	Interest	VAT	CIL	Total
31/10/2019	*19/10/02	Payment	3021		19/20-057	Employee 2	Salary October		-£ 398.46									-£ 398.46
31/10/2019	*19/10/03	Payment	3022		19/20-058	Employee 1	Salary October		-£ 428.14									-£ 428.14
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14/10/2019	*19/10/05	Payment	3023		19/20-060	Nature Nurture	Whittle Walks Scoping Project							-£ 1,200.00	-£ 240.00			-£ 1,440.00
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14/10/2019	*19/10/07	Payment	3025		19/20-062	JD Garstang	Mill Lane Coping Stones					-£ 50.00						-£ 50.00
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14/10/2019	*19/10/10	Payment	3028		19/20-065	C-L-W Parish Council	Scarecrow Festival							-£ 130.00				-£ 130.00
14/10/2019	*19/10/11	Payment	3029		19/20-066	Dedrah Moss	Community Garden							-£ 20.29				-£ 20.29
14/10/2019	*19/10/12	Payment	3030		19/20-067	Lisa Pickering	Printing Supplies	-£ 61.31										-£ 61.31
14/10/2019	*19/10/13	Payment	3031		19/20-068	Neil Partington	Flooding Committee Materials							-£ 29.58				-£ 29.58
09/10/2019	*19/10/14	Receipt	100369		19/20-069	CBC	CIL Payment										£ 4,494.75	£ 4,494.75
30/09/2019	*19/10/15	Receipt	BACS			Interest	Interest								£ 28.54			£ 28.54
October Month Totals								-£ 461.31	-£ 1,205.36	£ -	£ -	-£ 767.25	£ -	-£ 1,379.87	£ 28.54	-£ 320.00	£ 4,494.75	£ 389.50

2019 / 20 Summary of Monthly Bank Accounts, and Monthly Budget Monitoring

Categories	19/20 Budget	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Totals	Spend against Budget
Admin	£6,950.00	£0.00	£0.00	-£264.48	-£807.00	£242.01	-£3,824.80	-£461.31						-£5,115.58	£1,834.42
Salaries	£15,365.00	-£2,370.42	-£1,184.82	-£1,184.82	-£1,084.83	-£1,184.83	-£1,077.83	-£1,205.36						-£9,292.91	£6,072.09
War Mem	£2,500.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00						£0.00	£2,500.00
Loan	£5,040.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	-£2,519.98	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00						-£2,519.98	£2,520.02
Maint	£17,310.00	-£1,787.00	£0.00	-£592.00	-£717.25	£0.00	£0.00	-£767.25						-£3,863.50	£13,446.50
Grants	£500.00	-£94.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00						-£94.00	£406.00
Project/Misc.	£16,760.00	-£1,300.50	-£29.98	-£5,183.22	-£450.00	-£473.33	£0.00	-£1,379.87						-£8,816.90	£7,943.10
Interest		£27.67	£31.74	£28.12	£31.98	£28.31	£28.54	£0.00						£176.36	£176.36
VAT		-£166.03	£0.00	-£1,042.83	£0.00	-£16.67	-£606.85	-£320.00						-£2,152.38	-£2,152.38
Total	£64,425.00	-£5,690.28	-£1,183.06	-£8,239.22	-£5,547.08	-£1,404.51	-£8,494.48	-£4,133.79						-£31,678.88	£32,746.12
CIL	£106,697.71	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	-£2,985.00	£4,494.75						£1,509.75	£108,207.46

Summary of bank accounts	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
41346412 - Balance at 26th of previous month	£865.13	£737.73	£1,090.79	£1,161.56	£347.48	£648.14	£776.00	£1,000.94				
41346420 - Balance at 26th of previous month	£110,270.61	£187,604.60	£185,632.27	£177,664.01	£175,692.13	£171,724.11	£163,752.42	£166,275.71				
Precept / CIL Amount to deposit account	£91,315.73	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£4,494.75					
Payments this month	-£5,717.95	-£1,214.80	-£7,929.23	-£5,579.06	-£3,821.36	-£8,824.63	-£4,133.79					
Receipts this month	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£31.98	£227.00	£0.00	£28.54					
Unpresented Receipts	-£100.00	-£100.00	-£100.00	£0.00	-£73.00	£0.00	-£25.00					
Unpresented Payments	£8,291.19	£304.47	£131.74	£2,761.12	£0.00	£980.80	£2,383.73					
Balance at month end (26th)	£188,342.33	£186,723.06	£178,825.57	£176,039.61	£172,372.25	£164,528.42	£167,276.65					

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