

CABUS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Cabus Parish Council meeting held in Cabus Village Hall on
Monday 16th January 2017 at 7:30pm

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

In attendance: Wyre Borough Cllr Lady Atkins, Wyre Borough Cllr T Balmain, P Whitaker (Lengthsman), L Banton (Clerk).

1649. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr J Hudson, Lancashire County Cllr S Perkins, Wyre Borough Cllr A Collinson, Police, John Bettle (for item 5)

1650. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

It was resolved that the minutes of the last meeting of Cabus Parish Council (held on 28th November 2016) be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

1651. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None declared

1652. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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

Wyre Borough Council

Cllr Balmain reported that there had been no meeting to date on which to report since the previous meeting of Cabus Parish Council.

Lancashire County Council

A written update had been received from County Cllr Perkins on the following: Speed problems on A6 at Forton – Police unable to place a speed camera, solution being pursued; speed limit at Bilsborrow being reduced to 30mph; Library showcasing of services on 23rd February.

Lengthsman

Mr Whitaker reported on his work within the parish and drew attention to the following: Parish Christmas tree has now come down; litter clearing at Fowler Hill/Woodfold Lane and stretch of A6; completion of repaired Snapewood Lane bench; clearing and widening of footpaths – noted that footpath from Snapewood Bridge to Snapewood Lane overgrown and would be flagged for attention; branch blew down off Snapewood Lane.

Flytipping Incidents Noted

Kitchen cooker found dumped by Bells Lane; boxes dumped at end of Fowler Hill Lane by Cabus Cross. Noted that authorities were unable to remove any reported items dumped on private land (e.g. tyres).

The meeting was reconvened at 7.45pm.

1653. FLY TIPPING SCHEME

Item deferred to next meeting.

1654. REPORTS AND INFORMATION

Neighbourhood Planning Seminar (30/11/16) Attended by Cllr Houghton, Hastings and Bruce and considered to be a useful event organised by Garstang Town Council. Cllrs were minded to engage with pursuing a Neighbourhood Plan for Cabus and to work in co-operation with Garstang Town Council if they were also minded to do so.

It was resolved to communicate this to Garstang Town Council.

Council Seat Vacancy – the Clerk reported receiving no expressions of interest to date. Please direct any enquiries to the Clerk.

Invitations and Diary Dates were noted as follows:

- LALC Wyre Area Cttee – Wednesday 25th January 2017 at 7.30pm. Cllrs Hastings and Bruce are the delegated representatives from Cabus but all Councillors are invited to attend if available.

- Churchtown Flood Conference – Saturday 28th January 2017 Myerscough College at 10am. Cllr Hudson is the delegated representative for the Wyre Flood Forum but this is a campaign organised conference. Cllr Jackson indicated she would attend if available to do so.
- Cabus Village Hall AGM – Thursday 26th January 2017 at 7.30pm. Noted that governance of Cabus Village Hall has changed and all non commercial regular users have a right to representation on the Village Hall Committee. Cllr Hastings volunteered and was therefore appointed as the Cabus Parish Council representative to attend the forthcoming AGM.
- LCC Parish & Town Council Conference – Saturday 25th February 2017 at 9.30am. Cllr Jackson agreed to attend the Conference as the Cabus Parish Council delegate. The booking form and event details were given to Cllr Jackson for registration purposes.

1655. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (PART 2)

Wyre Borough Councillor Lady Atkins arrived having come straight from a Meeting of Garstang Town Council (GTC). The meeting was adjourned at 8.25pm to allow for a period of public participation.

Garstang Town Council Meeting – Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Atkins reported that GTC would be writing to all neighbouring parishes who had attended the recent training seminar (Neighbourhood Planning) to see if they would be interested in pursuing the option of producing a Neighbourhood Plan. Cllr Hastings confirmed that Cabus Parish Council had indicated it would be interested in working in co-operation with GTC.

The meeting was reconvened at 8.28pm

1656. FINANCIAL MATTERS

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

It was resolved that the following be authorised for payment.

PAYEE	REASON	AMOUNT	CHEQUE NO.
HMRC	PAYE 3rd Quarter	£156	000761
Garstang Town Council	Neighbourhood Plan Training Seminar (contribution)	£40.00	000762
L Banton	Clerk's expenses: Broadband (Dec & Jan)	£21.00	000763
Houghtons	Lengthman's account – fuel/wood stain	£38.28	000764
P Whitaker	Christmas Tree and security fencing	£160.00	000765
P Whitaker	Lengthmans work (Dec-Jan invoices)	£230.00	000766
Grosvenor Estate	Christmas tree (20ft)	£192.00	000767

AUTHORISED PAYMENTS SINCE LAST MEETING

Cllrs noted the following: Clerk's Salary - £232.26 – 28th Nov 2016 and £232.26 – 28th Dec 2016

BUDGET AND PRECEPT – 2017/2018

It was resolved that the Precept for 2017/18 be set at £9000.

1657. PLANNING MATTERS

No new applications had been received for consultation although Cllrs reported not having received notification of 16/01076/FUL which the Clerk was understood to have distributed via email prior to Christmas. **It was resolved that the clerk would double check action undertaken and circulate the application to Cllrs.**

It was noted that Gubberford Lane residents had received notice of a Restrictive Covenant pertaining to 16/00477/OUT.

Planting Cherry Trees and Wild Flower Seeds – locations throughout Cabus were suggested and the Clerk was asked to establish land ownership and permissions required. Guidance regarding wild flowers to be sought from Millennium Green Group by Cllr Bruce.

1658. NEXT MEETING

The date for the next Meeting of Cabus Parish Council was confirmed as Monday 27th March 2017 at 7.30pm in Cabus Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.20pm

Signed:
Chair of Cabus Parish Council

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