

# CABUS PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of the Cabus Parish Council meeting held in Cabus Village Hall on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at 7:30pm

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

**In attendance:** County Cllr S Perkins, Borough Cllr T Balmain, P Whitaker (Lengthsman), L Banton (Clerk).

One member of the public was present.

### 1631. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr J Hudson, Wyre Borough Cllr D Atkins, Police

### 1632. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

It was resolved that the minutes of the last meetings of Cabus Parish Council (held on 25th July 2016) be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

### 1633. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None declared

### 1634. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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

#### Planning Concerns: ref - 16/00642/FUL

It was noted that the PC had not objected to this application but had submitted observations. Attention was drawn to additional concerns regarding breaches of existing planning conditions (specifically, but not limited to, activities outside of daylight working hours).

#### Park Home Developments

Attention was drawn to the number of electorate in Cabus Park Home Developments.

#### Lancashire County Councillor

Cllr Perkins reported on the following:

Library – secured despite funding cuts and will be extended to accommodate new services

A6 – road markings by Barratt Home development (travelling south) are wrong

A6 - road safety considerations now stretch up to Forton following recent road accident and currently no progress regarding plans to reduce A6 speed limit

Recycling Centre – feedback regarding soil waste to be raised at forthcoming meeting, noted that all white good now accepted

Hedges – still not cut, photos provided by Lengthsman to be sent electronically to Cllr Perkins

Old Council Offices – community room not fit for purpose, conservation report has been logged

#### Wyre Borough Councillor

Cllr Balmain reported on the meetings he had attended: Audit Committee (Audit Report received, full confidence) and Full Council but nothing pertaining to Cabus in either meeting. Question raised as to why Planning Committee agenda for 5<sup>th</sup> October not on planning website as yet.

#### Lengthsman

Mr Whitaker reported on his work within the parish and drew attention to the following: bench near Claylands repaired, photos taken of hedges within parish which would be labelled and sent electronically to Cllr Perkins; problems with gully on Woodfold Lane fording the lane and flytipping on Fowler Hill field noted.

#### Police

No police present and email circulated previously explaining area change of PCSO.

The member of the public left.

**The meeting was reconvened at 8.30pm.**

**1635. REPORTS AND INFORMATION**

Flood Forum – Cllr Hudson had submitted a report concerning the flooding on the A6 and Gubberford Lane.  
Canal Side Bins –canal & rivers trust (CRT) volunteers to install signage, multiwaste bins due to be installed by CRT in September, and CRT education team liked suggestion about ‘Bin It/Take it Home’ campaign.  
Fowler Hill Wood – possibly up for sale again, further enquires suggested  
Canal Bridge 69 – works completed and barriers to be removed, response to traffic calming measures received via Highways but not looking promising as regulations prohibit speed humps near canal bridges, noted that temporary traffic lights had worked to slow traffic and request that Cllr Perkins explored this option as a permanent solution with Highways.  
Replacement Trees Outside Spar Shop - Cllrs discussed replacing the trees which had been chopped down and agreed Cllr Hastings to enquire about replacement trees from Woodland Trust and Clerk to find to about the necessary permissions required to undertake work and replace trees.  
Canal Tow Path – Shaping Your Neighbourhood – meeting tomorrow to explore potential canal tow path improvement project throughout parishes from Bilsborrow to Cabus stretch (2 mile stretch in Cabus). Appetite for engagement - primarily to facilitate access onto towpath - was sought and agreed that engagement would be tempered by potential costs but further information to be gathered.

**1636. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

**It was resolved that the following be authorised for payment.**

PAYEE	REASON	AMOUNT	CHEQUE NO.
Paul Whitaker	Lengthsmans Work (Aug-Sept)	£422	000754

AUTHORISED PAYMENTS SINCE LAST MEETING

Cllrs note the following: Houghtons Filling Station – Lengthsman’s account £72.98 (000753)  
Clerk’s Salary – £198.73 – 28<sup>th</sup> July 2016 (SO)  
Clerk’s Salary – £232.26 – 28<sup>th</sup> August 2016 (SO)

BUDGET UPDATE – 2016/2017 ACCOUNTS

**It was resolved to note the budget update (as at 1st<sup>h</sup> September 2016)**

AUDIT REPORT (2015/2016)

**It was resolved to accept and approve the received Annual Return (unqualified audit opinion).**

PREPARATION FOR CHRISTMAS TREE

**It was resolved to purchase the Christmas tree and to invite the Parish Lengthsman and Jon Cuff Electrical to put the tree and lights up again this year.**

**1637. PLANNING MATTERS**

New Planning Website – Cllrs discussed the new planning website with a view to providing feedback and agreed that whilst the request to clearly indicate no login was required to the site had been met, the site was not end-user friendly (public or statutory consultee) and the lack of prior consultation to develop a site which assisted end-users as well as Wyre Borough Council would have been helpful. It was requested that receipt of emails to notify statutory consultees of the release of weekly lists and the individual letters sent by email inviting statutory consultation on individual planning applications should also be preserved.

PLANNING APPLICATION

Application Number: 16/00755/COUQ  
Proposal: Prior approval for a change of use of an agricultural building to a dwelling (class C3)  
Location: Kiln Trees Farm Cabus Nook Lane Cabus Preston Lancashire Grid Ref: SD348290 448530

Noted that access to new planning search website to review application had proved challenging but no concerns raised regarding this specific application for change of use.

**1638. NEXT MEETING**

The date for the next Meeting of Cabus Parish Council was confirmed as Monday 28th November 2016 at 7.30pm in Cabus Village Hall.

**The meeting closed at 9.10pm**

Signed: .....  
Chair of Cabus Parish Council

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