

GOOSNARGH PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the Parish Council will be held
on **Monday 25th November 2024 at 7.30pm**
in Whitechapel Village Hall

A G E N D A

1. APOLOGIES

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are **reminded of their responsibility** to declare any interests in respect of matters contained in the agenda noting that there may be statutory restrictions on the right to participate and vote on that matter – see Standing Order 2023 (11)

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Members are required to approve the attached Minutes of the Oct Council meeting.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION INCLUDING POLICE MATTERS

Members of the public wishing to raise matters in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders should raise them here. The length of the adjournment is at the Chairman's discretion.

NOTE: Matters requiring a Council decision must be included as a specific Agenda item. For more details, please contact the Clerk.

- The Police, County and City Councillors are routinely invited to every meeting.

Further to the October request for crime information, the police stated that there were no crime reports although they were monitoring reports of antisocial behaviour at Beacon Fell. They also advised that a new PCSO will be joining the area shortly.

5. CIL PROJECTS

Further to the October meeting, the Clerk queried the lack of CIL monies relating to the Swainson House Farm development. Preston City Council have replied that the developer (McDermott Homes) was able to carry out some works without triggering CIL but the City Council have reminded them to submit a commencement notice once they start work on the foundations. Notwithstanding that, the CIL monies will not be received until April.

1) PAST & PRESENT

The number of fingerposts required is still to be confirmed and Members are requested to confirm the type required. At the LCC conference the Clerk established that a grant application of up to £750 may be submitted to Champion Bowland Champion by 31st Dec 2024..

Members are requested to approve the submission of the grant application.

2) SPID

The SPID pole has been erected on Inglewhite Village Green, however, although a local resident confirms seeing the consultation, they did not realise the pole would be visible from their window and they have requested that it is moved. LCC have been asked to comment but in the meantime, **a Councillor is requested to meet with the resident to understand the concern.**

Elan City have delivered the devices and in accordance with MIN 24/25.43 **Members are requested to advise who will erect them so the Clerk can drop them off.**

Cllr Butler is also requested to confirm progress for the second pole on Inglewhite Lane

3) WHITECHAPEL VILLAGE HALL AND HILL CHAPEL

Letters of thanks have been received from both applicants. Funds will be released once the Clerk receives a copy of the invoice for the proposed works.

6. FINANCIAL STATEMENT 1st – 31st Oct 2024

The Chairman is requested to verify that the monthly finance statement has been reconciled against the bank statements.

7. INFLATIONARY PAY INCREASE

The Clerk is employed in accordance with the National Joint Council terms and conditions for Local Government staff. The NJC has agreed a flat rate increase of £1,290 on each pay point with effect from 1 April 2024 as per the **attached** letter. As the Clerk works part time, this represents an increase of £14.53 a month. As the salary will remain below £5,000, the Council should not be impacted by the increase in National Insurance.

Members are required to note the pay increase.

8. ACCOUNTS

Members are required to approve the following accounts for payment

DETAILS	PAYEE	AMOUNT	
Grounds maintenance	Nurture Landscapes	£288.00	BACs
Nov salary (new rate)	Mrs J Buttle	£300.54	BACs
PAYE	HMRC	£75.20	BACS
1 x solar and 1 x battery SPID	ELAN City	£5,014.78	BACs

9. CONSIDERATION OF 2025/26 BUDGET ITEMS

At the October meeting, Members were requested to identify new budget items for consideration at this meeting. No new items were proposed and the Clerk has produced the **attached** draft budget to reflect increases to existing fees. Additional items or alterations may be noted at the meeting and a final version will be brought to the January meeting where Members will be required to set the 2025/26 Precept.

Members are requested to consider the DRAFT budget paying particular attention to existing and proposed expenditure increases shown in green.

10. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

Members are requested to comment on the following summarised applications

06/2024/0966 1no. self-build dwelling with attached garage and modified access on land adjacent, Bonds Farm, Horns Lane,

06/2024/1087 Extension to agricultural livestock building at Rigg Farm, Rigg Lane, Preston,

06/2024/1136 Garage and workshop to accommodation at Colbourn Cottage, Inglewhite Road

11. MATTERS OF CONCERN TO MEMBERS

This item provides Members with an opportunity to raise any new concerns to be actioned by the Clerk or added to the next Agenda.

LCC will be hosting an information event in Goosnargh Village Hall regarding the proposal to expand Goosnargh Oliverson’s School. The event will be held on Weds 20th & 27th November at 6.30pm. Details are on the Parish Council website.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 27th January 2025 in Whitechapel Village Hall at 7.30pm.

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