

GOOSNARGH PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the Parish Council will be held
on **Monday 26th February 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 22nd Jan 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.
- Mark Hothersall the Event Director of Legend Fires NW stages rally will be attending to provide time schedules and copies of the residents' information packs.

5. CIL PAST AND PRESENT PROJECT

At the January meeting it was resolved under **MIN 23/24.52** that the next steps for the Past and Present project will be to

- Discuss the cost and mounting of the main board with Cllr Hayton
- Check if permission is required to put the board on Inglewhite Green and agree the exact location
- Walk the trails noting and recording any accessibility problems and the location of the additional signs
- Use the £500 PROW grant from LCC to carry out urgent repairs to stiles etc
- Update the financial records to show that there will be a £6 monthly charge for the upkeep of the web address and a cost to Outdoor Active – to be confirmed

Members are requested to confirm how and when these steps will be actioned.

6. WHITECHAPEL VILLAGE HALL

At the January meeting, Members were made aware of planning application [06/2024/0051](#) at Whitechapel Village Hall. In addition, the Village Hall Committee are in the process of submitting an application to the Lancashire Environmental Fund to install solar panels to the roof and floodlights to the MUGA – subject to the approval of the planning application. As part of the LEF submission, the Committee needs to include letters of support for the projects and they have requested that the Parish Council writes a letter to this effect.

Members are requested to confirm that the Clerk drafts the support letter.

The email also explains that the LEF grant covers 75 – 80% of the overall cost with the Committee required to make up any shortfall. With this in mind, the Committee wish to request that the Parish Council makes up the shortfall from CIL as Barton and Whittingham Parish Council have done to support their Village Halls.

As March is the Council's financial year end, the Clerk will be presenting a full CIL report to the Council which will cover CIL income and expenditure to date - along with any approved but unspent CIL allocations such as the Noticeboards and Speed Indicator Devices. This will give the Council an indication of the CIL balances going forward.

Based on the above, Members are requested to confirm whether CIL monies should be used to support the LEF grant - subject to confirmation of the CIL balances and the amount required.

Parish Councils may apply for a free, framed portrait of HM The King to celebrate His reign.

As the Parish Council does not have a public building, Members are requested to consider applying for the portrait to be displayed in the Village Hall if they so wish.

7. FINANCIAL STATEMENT 1st – 31st Jan 2024

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

8. BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION (BKV)

Paperwork has been received for the 2024 Best Kept Village competition and Members may recall the intention to submit a joint entry for Goosnargh Village with Whittingham Parish Council.

A BKV group has been formed and at a meeting on the **1st of Feb** they discussed an action plan of what needs doing. The BKV group have requested a donation of £250 each from both Goosnargh and Whittingham Councils for materials, plants etc.

Members are requested to consider the donation request of £250

9. BLACK & RED REFLECTORS – VILLAGE GREEN

It has been reported that red and black vehicle 'deflector' signs, to deter cars from driving on Inglewhite Village Green have been damaged.

It is understood that the Village Green is owned and maintained by the Parish Council and as such Members are requested to consider funding their replacement.

10. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

Members are requested to comment on the following application

06/2024/0135 Installation of 2no. package treatment plants to replace existing septic tank at Smithy Cottage, Inglewhite Road.

An email has been received regarding a caravan storage facility at School Farm on Camforth Hall Lane. A resident noticed that the facility was increasing in size, so they contacted the planning department as a planning application has not been submitted.

Planning have replied that as the original facility was set up without planning permission more than 10 years ago, a planning breach has not occurred. Furthermore, they concluded that the expansion of the storage area wasn't significant in size and had no impact on the surrounding area. Local residents disagree and state the development has a negative visual appearance when viewed from the surrounding houses and public footpath in the adjacent field.

Members are requested to consider writing to the Planning Department to support their objections and request that a retrospective planning application should be submitted.

11. 80th ANIVERSARY OF THE D DAY LANDINGS

The 6th June will be the 80th Anniversary of the D Day landings and several Beacons will be lit at 21:15 hrs as a token of the "Light of Peace". The "Beacons Champion" wishes to get towns, villages and cities involved to proudly "Light up Lancashire". More information is on the website - www.d-day80beacons.co.uk

Members are requested to advise if they wish to get involved, bearing in mind the Council will be responsible for the safety of any lit beacon.

12. UPDATE ON EXISTING ISSUES / MATTERS OF CONCERN TO MEMBERS

In addition to the following updates on existing issues, this item provides Members with an opportunity to raise any new concerns to be actioned by the Clerk or to be added to the next Agenda.

- It is hoped that LCC will be in a position to provide feedback on the SPID locations to the March meeting.
- The Clerk has sent a further email to LCC regarding the lack of action on the rumble strips on Button Street. In view of the time taken, the Clerk copied in Cllr Rupert Swarbrick the LCC Cabinet Member for Highways.

13. NEW CORRESPONDENCE

Members are requested to note the following items.

- A resident of Caraway Green informed the Clerk of a damaged footbridge on FP 0605007. The Clerk reported the matter to the PROW team and has advised the resident of the reference number and contact details to check on any progress.
- PCSO Chloe Pearson has confirmed there have been no changes to the rural policing team. Community Road Watches have been carried out in Goosnargh and the surrounding villages. To date, no volunteers have come forward to support the police with the road watch scheme.
- A reminder that the A6 James Towers Way from the Garstang Road / Whittingham Lane roundabout will be closed overnight from 2000 hours until 0600 hours on **23rd March 2024** until **15th April 2024** for asphalt preservation works.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 25th March 2024 in Whitechapel Village Hall at 7.30pm.

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