

WRIGHTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

At the remote Meeting of the Parish Council (called under the provisions of the Coronavirus Act 2020, and The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020) of the Parish of Wrightington held on Friday 23rd April 2021 at 7.30 pm via the Zoom Platform the following were present:

Councillors: Mrs J Burton (Acting Chairman), Mr F Johnson, Mrs K Jukes, and Mr C House. Also present were members of the public

OPEN FORUM

(At this point in the Meeting members of the public present can report, ask questions, raise issues and make observations on parish matters or items appearing on the Agenda. Reports will also be received from the Police, District and County Councillors if attending – Once open forum is closed the Chairman will only suspend standing orders to allow public participation in extreme circumstances.)

There having been no specific requests to speak at the meeting received the Chairman asked members of the public present if there was anything they wished to raise. A resident referred to her letter of complaint under Report 1 and outlined the contents as follows: in relation to discussions at the January 2021 Meeting and the request for financial support from the Parbold Against Landfill group. She felt that the idea that 2 Councillors could veto a proposition, with the Chairman using a casting vote, was concerning. It was confirmed that the Chairman did not use a casting vote and that the proposal was amended and went through. With reference to the Parish Council website - it is never up-to-date and does not give sufficient notice of when things are happening and some items being uploaded to the incorrect place. It is felt that many people do not even bother looking at it as it is not up-to-date. The Parish Council accept that the website is not ideal and that it would be better if it was co-ordinated by someone from within the Parish Council. There is not a great deal of information which needs going on there and it was therefore suggested that maybe the Parish Council could find someone locally who would volunteer to take on this role. This will be discussed in more detail at the May Meeting and residents were asked to maybe think, look for, or suggest a suitable person for the May Meeting. The third issue raised was the payment of Honorariums to village hall officers for 2020/21 when the village halls were closed. It was again explained that despite the village halls being closed officers have still had to go to them, to allow access for the Police and to allow contractors to measure up for various jobs, to attend to the heating etc. In addition they have still taken telephone calls and gone to the bank. Councillor Johnson felt that this is a cheap way of getting the job done for the Parish Council. Councillor Jukes suggested the officers could have been furloughed. The Chairman did not think this would have been worth it as each officer only receives the equivalent of £4 per week from the honorarium. The Chairman suggested that this should be discussed by the Parish Council in the body of the Meeting. A second resident reported the following information to the Parish Council: in relation to West Quarry, and in particular to the unlicensed and unauthorised storage of combustible materials on the site. It is believed that the Fire Service produced a report which was sent to the Environment Agency in which the Fire Service did an analysis of the types of materials stored at West Quarry. He is further aware that there is evidence that as a result of the materials stored, there is a significant risk of pollution to water courses. It was suggested, and agreed by the Parish Council, that a Freedom of Information request be made to the Environment Agency (and the Fire Service) for a copy of the Fire Service report and a request for an investigation into the pollution coming from the contaminants. Councillor Jukes asked that the Parish Council put pressure on the Environment Agency as the enforcement authority regarding the removal of the combustible materials.

- 85. APOLOGIES** - Were received and accepted from Councillor Hodgkinson who has had some health issues during lockdown which continue at the moment.
- 86. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – Members were asked to consider any personal/pecuniary interest they may have to disclose in relation to matters under discussion at the Meeting.
Councillor Mrs Burton declared an interest in groundwork discussions at the village halls. Councillor Mrs Jukes informed the Council that she had resigned from the Stop Parbold Landfill Campaign Group. No further declarations were made at this point in the Meeting however, should a Councillor feel he/she has any interest in later matters he/she will declare it at that point.

87. **MINUTES** – The Minutes of the remote Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 18th January 2021 had been circulated in advance of the Meeting. **Resolved** – **The Minutes were accepted as a correct record, and will be signed by the Chairman.**
88. **UPDATE/PROGRESS WITH ISSUES RAISED AT THE PREVIOUS MEETING** – Nothing specific to report that will not be dealt with elsewhere on the Agenda.
89. **CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION ITEMS**
Items reported to, & noted by, the Council – no decision required: REPORT 1 – page 7-8 – ACCEPTED.

Items requiring discussion, observations or action by the Council:

- a) Responses received to emails sent by the Parish Council to officers at LCC, WLBC, Borough Councillors, County Councillor and the EA – A joint response has been received from Borough Councillors Mrs Baybutt and Mrs Evans. A response has been received from the Executive Director of Growth, Environment and Transport at LCC. A response has been received from the Principal Environmental Health Officer at WLBC. A response from the EA – **The Clerk read aloud all the correspondence received on this subject from the officers contacted. The Council will take up the offer from the Principal Environmental Health Officer at WLBC to contact LCC and the EA. Councillor House suggested that the Parish Council should invite Mr O’Dowd to attend a future Parish Council Meeting where he could be more open and explain his current activities to the residents possibly outline what his proposals are. It was suggested that a list of questions could be compiled at the next Meeting, which could be given to Mr O’Dowd in advance of his attendance. Resolved** – **That the Parish Council invite Mr O’Dowd to attend the June 2021 Parish Council Meeting. To facilitate the Meeting being held at Appley Bridge Village Hall in June 2021 the May Meeting will now be held at Mossy Lea Village Hall.**
- b) Update from Stop Parbold Hill Landfill Group regarding the application to infill Parbold Hill – confirming that as a result of their work LCC has asked the applicant to work with the EA to minimise the most harmful and controversial aspect of the application and hopefully lead to LCC’s consideration of a more acceptable, less destructive scheme for repair and maintenance at Parbold Hill which will hopefully retain the views important to West Lancashire – **Noted.**
- c) Emails from some residents raising concerns about recent and ongoing activity at East and West Quarry – **It was reported that pipe work has been exposed and is now being worked on. The Chairman spoke to Borough Councillor Baybutt and confirmed that the Tree Officer said that the tree work was acceptable. Councillor Jukes attended the Meeting, as a resident with Borough Councillor Baybutt, and confirmed that she is worried about the amount of trees which have been taken down reporting that the trees were put in place as a “buffer zone” to protect the residents backing on to West Quarry. It was reported that approximately 50% of the trees have been removed. The Parish Council will ask Mr Thornber, Tree Officer at West Lancs. BC, about the removal of the trees and whether any replanting will take place. It was reported that overgrowth from trees on the site onto Appley Lane North had been cut back. Residents think trees have been removed unnecessarily. Councillor Jukes reported that she had been exposed to the recent methane gas leak and had contacted her GP, and a number of other departments, reporting symptoms including headaches, dizzy spells and a general feeling of being unwell lasting approximately 10 days. It was confirmed that the EA did monitor this and did a good job in responding. The Parish Council will ask Borough Councillor Baybutt if planning permission is required for the concrete plinth installed at the rear of the buildings on East Quarry. Standing Orders were lifted to allow a resident to confirm that factually, pure methane has no colour or odour however, when coming from a landfill site it is likely that it has mixed with other noxious substances which could result in an odour. The Meeting was resumed.**
- d) Response from Director of Highways at LCC to reported flooding at the junction of Appley Lane North and Skull House Lane and that investigations will take place – **The 6-8 week period quoted has now elapsed so the Parish Council will follow this up.**
- e) Email applications to join the Parish Council as Appley Bridge Ward Councillors from

Mr Julian Chambers, Mr Roger Alexander and Ms Anne Fletcher. An application has also been received for the Mossy Lea Ward Councillor vacancy from Mr Allan Shaw – **The Chairman confirmed that the normal procedure is for applicants to attend 3 consecutive meetings following which they will be invited to join the Parish Council. Councillor Jukes pointed out that it is approx. 2 years since Mr Chambers first applied to join the Parish Council and that, although he has never managed to attend 3 consecutive meetings, he has attended more than 3 meeting in total and that this matter, along with the unprecedented times experienced over the past 12 months, must be taken into consideration. Councillor Burton felt that to be fair to everyone, all applicants should start from the beginning and attend 3 consecutive meetings. Councillor House suggested that a compromise be reached in view of the disruption caused due to the pandemic. Councillor Burton proposed, and Councillor Johnson seconded, that Mr Chambers attendance at the April and May 2021 Meetings be counted as 2 meetings and that attendance at the June Meeting would be his third meeting and his appointment as a Parish Councillor will be effective from the July 2021 Meeting. On a vote there were 2 in favour and 2 against this proposal. Councillor House suggested that recent circumstances around the pandemic have changed things and he proposed that attendance by Mr Chambers at the January, April and May Meetings be counted as 3 consecutive attendances, and that Mr Chambers could then join the Parish Council with effect from the June Meeting. This proposal was seconded by Councillor Jukes. After reconsidering and voting, it was Resolved – that Mr Chambers has attended the January and April Meetings and is required to attend the May Meeting following which he will be invited to join the Parish Council with effect from the June Parish Council Meeting. The other applicants will begin their attendance at 3 consecutive meetings from May. All applicants will be sent a copy of the Parish Council Standing Orders and Code of Conduct so they can familiarise themselves with the protocol of being a Councillor.**

- f) Notification that the nomination window for the 2022 Queens Award for Voluntary Service is now open with a closing date of 15th September 2022 – **Next Agenda.**
- g) Notification that the go ahead has been given to recommence work on the new Local Plan for West Lancashire with the first round of public consultation to take place in Autumn 2021 – **Councillor Jukes reported there are a number of sites proposed in Mossy Lea and Appley Bridge and that discussion on this should take place at the May Meeting.**
- h) Details from West Lancs. BC of the CIL Funding 2021 & Infrastructure Projects – **Noted.**
- i) Notification that the External Audit of the Parish Council Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2021 by PKF Littlejohn will take place on Friday 2nd July 2021. Plus, notification that Wrightington Parish Council has been selected as one of the random 5% sample subject to an intermediate review – **Noted.**
- j) Request for a donation from Bowland Pennine Mountain Rescue Team – **Resolved – that a donation of £25 be made to support this group.**
- k) Email resignation from the Parish Council from Councillor Critchley with immediate effect – **The Clerk confirmed that she will now inform West Lancs. BC about the casual vacancy following the resignation and will post the necessary notices on the Parish Council notice boards. If after the required time period no call for an election has been made, the Parish Council can co-opt to fill this vacancy. The timings around this should fit in with the new applicants’ attendance at 3 consecutive meetings before appointment.**
- l) Late items received which may require discussion/action/observations – No late items received

90. HIGHWAYS AND ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

- Removal of graffiti on the fence on Mill Lane has been raised again with West Lancs. BC, it is hoped that this will be addressed in May sometime.
- Hedges on both sides of Mill Lane need cutting back. They are obstructing the carriageway on one side and the footway on the opposite side.
- The bus stop sign on Skull House Lane needs replacing now the street light has been replaced.
- Speeding is once again becoming a serious issue on the following roads in the Parish – Appley Lane North, Tunley Lane, Moss Lane, Courage Low Lane and Toogood Lane. It was also reported that a recent accident on Mossy Lea Road was speed related.

- The culvert at the bottom of Broadhurst Lane remains either blocked or damaged and flooding remains an issue. Cones have been placed at this location for some time but no work has been undertaken. This issue was raised by Councillors at a site meeting with Andrew Davies some considerable time ago who said it would be addressed. To date, nothing has been done.
- Hazard markers on the grass verge opposite 355 Mossy Lea Road need attention. Some are damaged and others are missing. Long grass and overgrown hedges also obscures them.
- It was suggested that the use of SPIDs, whilst they do not stop them, are a deterrent to speeding motorists. Advice will be sought from the Police and LCC on initiatives that may be used to encourage motorists to slow down.
- It was confirmed that litter bins will be replaced and added to, but dates for this are unknown.
- Soil and detritus put on the old road adjacent to the BP garage by LCC still needs removing.
- It was reported that a resident of Appley Bridge litter picks in Shevington with support from Wigan BC by the provision of hi-viz waistcoats, litter pickers and bags. The Council will ask West Lancs. BC if they could provide similar assistance for volunteers.

91. REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES – Nothing to report.

92. PARISH PRECEPT FOR 2021/22 – Resolved – that the Parish Council, having assessed the Budget proposals put before them in February 2021, Precepted for 2021/22 before the grant £19,300, less Council Tax Support Grant 2021/22 of £613 equals a Precept for 2021/22 to be raised from Council Tax of £18,687. Therefore the Precept to be raised from Council Tax for 2021/22 is £18,687 with a tax base of 1,189.59 this gives a Band D equivalent Tax Level of £15.71, a decrease of 0.71% on the last year.

93. ACTION REQUIRED TO SATISFY AUDIT REQUIREMENTS - It was noted that: The Parish Council confirm the following action has been taken throughout the year to satisfy audit requirements: i) The Risk Assessment/Management Plan/Register – were reviewed and adopted at the May 2019 Parish Council Meeting and carried over to 2020 due to Covid-19 as allowed by Covid-19 legislation. ii) The effectiveness of the Internal Audit was confirmed – the Internal Auditor is both competent and independent, has no relationship with the Clerk or Councillors. The Audit trail is detailed, planned and the broad scope of the internal audit covers all aspects of the Councils business including financial, administrative, practical and procedural matters. Any issues arising from both the internal and external auditors are reported to the Parish Council at the earliest opportunity and the appropriate action taken. It was Resolved – That Mrs Stewart be appointed to undertake the 2021/22 Parish Council Internal Audit.

94. ACCEPTANCE OF ANNUAL AUDIT PLAN FOR THE FORTHCOMING YEAR AND REVIEW DOCUMENTATION IN PARISH COUNCILLORS INFORMATION PACK Resolved - The Parish Council act in accordance with the terms of the Local Government Act 1972 and the Localism Act 2011 and accept the Annual Audit Plan for the forthcoming year. Documents in the Parish Councillors information pack were reviewed. Documentation will be re-adopted at the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council to be held in May 2021.

95. VILLAGE HALLS

MOSSY LEA – The problem of damp in the main hall remains an issue. To resolve this new gutters and downspouts are required at the rear of the village hall. The wall will then be allowed to dry out following which any remedial work to the internal plastering will be carried out. The Clerk reported significant issues with the central heating boiler which she had been dealing with during the village hall closure on an almost weekly basis, however, with the reopening of the village hall the plumber has recommended that the boiler be replaced, as was necessary at Appley Bridge Village Hall in 2019/20, at an approximate cost of £1800. A quotation for extending the heating into the chair store and small meeting room at the same time is approx. £350. Chemical treatment of moss on car park will be required again this year at a cost of £25. **Resolved – that the work outlined above proceed at the earliest opportunity.**

APPLEY BRIDGE – A decision is required on whether to proceed with the following at the village hall: To either – maintain the car park and grass to include leaf clearance, regular mowing of grass area and spraying of weeds on the car park and surrounding area £680. Improving grass area with overseeding

£60 pa. Cleaning moss off the car park £240. Keeping on top of the moss on the car park with chemical treatment £80pa. Pressure washing flags and steps £70. Alternatively, grass area being made into a wildflower meadow £620. A price will then be required for leaf clearance and weed spraying car park.

Resolved – That work proceed to retain the grass area with regular mowing and improve with over seeding (£680+£60). Proceed with pressure washing of the flags and steps (£70). Look at the small area currently only soil for wildflower planting. Councillor Jukes will check on the amount of moss on the car park and monitor any growth and possibly make a decision on this in the future.

MLVH & ABVH - Planting of 7 planters (MLVH x 4, ABVH x 3) 3 times per year £870 – **Resolved** – the contractor will be instructed to proceed with this in 2021/22.

Additional work in the Parish: – Bus Shelter opposite Wrightington Bar, clear, tidy, remove overgrowth and paint and tidy £155. – **The Clerk will check if this is something the West Lancs. BC Clean and Green Team can assist with.** Replace notice board on bus shelter Mossy Lea Road (near Pensioners Hall) with a black framed 750mmx750mm notice board £239+VAT + £75 installation – **a price will be obtained for a free standing notice board in this vicinity, possibly out of direct sunlight and maybe with the agreement of the Pensioners Association, behind their fence.**

In addition it was Resolved – that replacement pads and rescue packs be purchased for the defibrillators. 2 x pads and 4 x rescue kits. Hand sanitiser will be purchased for both village halls as they re-open. A price will be obtained for a large sensor controlled security light on the front of Appley Bridge Village Hall to better illuminate the car park on dark nights. A price will be obtained to sand and re-finish the floor in the hall at Appley Bridge Village Hall.

The Clerk reported that enquiries in to relocating the gas meter and water meters from the cellar at Appley Bridge Village Hall to the kitchen make this work cost prohibitive. To move the gas meter will be a minimum of £3000-£4000 as the existing supply would need to be cut off and re-piping would be required to the new location. To move the water meter there would be a survey required costing £130.70 and a minimum cost to relocate the meter of £506.21. There was a suggestion that smart meters for both utilities would mean that physical readings would not be required. Standing Orders were lifted to allow a resident to report that if the Council choose smart meters they must insist on a Series 2 meter to prevent difficulties in the future if they decide to change suppliers. He further suggested that the Parish Council consider installing a Hydrogen ready Worcester Bosch boiler at Mossy Lea Village Hall so that changing from gas to hydrogen in the future will be less costly. Councillor House agreed to read the gas and water meters if the Clerk needs help with this.

The Village Halls can re-open for almost all other classes, organisations, activities and meetings provided Covid guidelines on social distancing and the wearing of masks where required are adhered to with effect from Monday 17th May 2021. Addition terms and conditions to ensure compliance with Covid-1 guidelines will be issued to village hall hirers to ensure the safety of all village hall users.

Confirmation the application for business support grant for loss of earnings at the village halls following closure due to Covid-19 was successful. Monies received must be put back into the business generating the lost income. It will be necessary to transfer funds to the village hall bank accounts from the business support grant received to compensate for lost income and to cover day to day expenditure and cleaning. The Clerk confirmed that the business support grant could be used to install extractor fans required in the toilets at Appley Bridge Village Hall and possibly look at replacing the 2 remaining windows in the small meeting room and the fire door on the right hand side of the building. Quotations have been requested for this work which will be reported in due course – **Noted.**

96. PLANNING To discuss the following applications:

REPORT 2 (page 8-9) – planning applications and responses submitted during the period when meetings were cancelled – **Resolved** – **responses submitted were approved.**

Applications for discussion:

- 1) 2021/0229/FUL Erection of a single-storey, detached garage with duo-pitched roof. 8 Spring Bank, Appley Bridge. **Resolved** – **No Objections provided the proposals satisfy all the relevant planning & legislative criteria for development in a conservation area.**
- 2) 2021/0172/FUL Addition of front porch. Addition of pitched roof to existing dormer. 2 Hinds

- Head Avenue, Wrightington. **Resolved – No Objections.**
- 3) 2021/0282/FUL Remodelling of existing house, including new windows, doors, flat roof and front extension. 4 Tunley Lane, Wrightington. **Resolved – No Objections.**
- 4) 2021/0305/FUL Single storey rear extension after demolition of existing conservatory. Lee Cottage, Stocks Farm, Mossy Lea Road, Wrightington. **Resolved – No Objections.**
- 5) 2021/0336/FUL Proposed side/front single storey extension to facilitate the care of and living of an elderly relative. 7 Millbank, Appley Bridge. **Resolved – No Objections.**
- 6) 2021/0388/FUL Single storey rear extension following demolition of existing conservatory, first floor dormer extension. 10 Manse Avenue, Wrightington. **Resolved – No Objections.**

97. LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS – Area Committee Meeting, via zoom, on Thursday 15th April. Email re: remote Meetings Evidence – Councillor Burton had hoped to attend the Area Committee Meeting but urgent work commitments prevented it.

98. ACCOUNTS - To receive the following list of accounts for Approval: REPORT 3 (Page 9) – Resolved: Payment of the accounts during the period when meetings were cancelled is approved.

For Payment:

Whitehill Direct	Notice Boards at MLVH and ABVH		£2586.00
Waterplus	Water Charges – ABVH		£68.16
Mrs C A Cross	Clerk’s Salary – Net		£822.56
HM Rev. & Customs	Tax & NI due by Clerk	£3.48	
	NI due by Parish Council	£12.29	£15.77
Bowland Mntn. Resc.	Donation		£25.00
D/D Plusnet	Internet MLVH		£26.39
D/D E.on	Electricity supplied to ABVH		£140.15
D/D E.on	Electricity supplied to MLVH		£184.72
D/D British Gas	Gas supplied ABVH customer readings have been submitted for up to date bill		
D/D British Gas	Gas supplied MLVH customer readings have been submitted for up to date bill		

Receipts:

HMRC	VAT reclaimed for 2019/20	£1344.72
West Lancs. BC	Business Support Grant Payments (ABVH)	£9241.07
West Lancs. BC	Business Support Grant Payments (MLVH)	£9241.07
(There is possibly a further payment of £2097 per village hall but this is unconfirmed until the bank statement is received up to 31/3/2021)		
West Lancs. BC	Parish Precept – 1 st half	£9956.50

Resolved: Payment and Receipt of the above accounts, together with the Bank Reconciliation Statement up to 31/12/20, is approved.

99. DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED: That the next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 17th May 2021 at Mossy Lea Village Hall, 7.00 pm Annual Parish Meeting and 7.30pm Annual Meeting of Parish Council

Minutes 85 to 100 will be accepted as a correct record and signed by the Chairman at the Meeting to be held on Monday 17th May 2021.

Members of the Public and Press are welcome to attend

100. OUTCOME OF INFORMAL GRIEVANCE MEETING – Resolved - due to the sensitive nature of this matter, discussions will take place in the absence of the public. A separate report on this matter will be provided to Parish Councillors.

REPORT 1

- a) Notification permission refused for car parking in association with retail unit and restaurant. Retrospective. Derby House, Mossy Lea Road, Wrightington.
- b) Notification permission granted for first floor extension, rear extension to existing garage to provide home gym and sun room. 136 Appley Lane North, Appley Bridge.
- c) Notification permission granted for domestic extension, driveway reconfiguration and erection of summer house. Tauranga, Broadhurst Lane, Wrightington.
- d) Notification permission granted for extensions and alterations to 156 Moss Lea Road, Wrightington.
- e) Confirmation funds from the Peter Lathom Trust were distributed as follows: AB Community Association £250, The Meadows. AB in Bloom £250. Wrightington Pensioners Welfare Association £147.93.
- f) Acknowledgement of your alleged breach by Chorley Concrete Ltd and confirmation the matter will be investigated as soon as possible.
- g) Letter of apology from LCC for the length of time waiting for the graffiti on Mill Lane to be removed and confirmation a job has been raised, unable to provide a time for completion.
- h) Acknowledgement of your report of materials dumped on the old road adjacent to the BP garage which requires removal, and confirmation it will be investigated.
- i) Report of dangerous pavements between Glenside and Dangerous Corner, severely narrowed and very muddy. Reported to LCC.
- j) Acknowledgement of email sent to LCC regarding flooding at the Appley Lane North/Skull House Lane junction which, after freezing overnight, created a serious situation. This has been passed to the appropriate highways officers who will respond.
- k) Email from a resident highlighting the lack of litter bin provision in Appley Bridge – This email has been redacted and forwarded to WLBC to support the Parish Council litter bin requests submitted over 18 months ago – It is now understood that new and replacement litter bins will be rolled out in the Parish over the next few months.
- l) Notification from Clarke Telecom of – Proposed upgrade to existing radio base station installation at CTIL_121138_TEF_000828, Cellnet/NWW, NWWA Pumping Station, Back Lane, Shevington, Wigan.
- m) An offer from LCC Safe & Healthy Travel Team to provide a free online 40 minute road safety presentation, aimed at residents in the 50+ age group, for groups who are meeting remotely.
- n) Response from LCC to report of flooding and ice at the junction of Appley Lane North/Skull House Lane – confirming both lanes are on the primary gritting route and do not warrant a grit bin. In addition due to constant water run-off LCC ‘blast’ the junction on every pass.
- o) Copy of a letter from Development Manager at LCC confirming that an Environmental Impact Assessment is required for the proposed Phase 1 Quarry Filling Operations at East Quarry.
- p) 2 emails of complaint from residents who attended the January Zoom Meeting – The Acting Chairman has responded and dealt with these complaints.
- q) An email request for permission to metal detect in the parks in the Parish – originator of the email will be instructed to contact West Lancs. BC as owners of the parks in the Parish.
- r) Letters of complaint regarding cancellation of the February and March Meetings – The Acting Chairman will respond on this matter under Agenda item 16.
- s) Copy of Shevington PC Newsletter and suggestion that the Parish Council may wish to produce something similar – To be discussed when the Parish Council discuss their Annual Newsletter.
- t) Copy email sent by a resident re: urgent action required – methane gas leak.
- u) Notification application withdrawn for demolition of former air raid shelter and conversion of an existing outbuilding into a separate dwelling. 14 Speakmans Drive, Appley Bridge.
- v) Notification permission granted for proposed extension to kitchen and living rooms, form utility room and study. The Poplars, Tunley Lane, Wrightington.
- w) Notification permission granted for proposed two storey front extension and rear balcony. Highmoor Lodge, Broadhey Lane, High Moor, Wrightington.

- x) Notification certificate of lawfulness granted for use of land as residential garden. Holdcrofts, Tunley Lane, Wrightington.
- y) Notification application for certificate of lawfulness withdrawn for existing garage. 11A Hinds Head Avenue, Wrightington.
- z) Notification prior notification of erection of agricultural building to store machinery and feedstuffs. Toogood Farm, Toogood Lane, Wrightington is permitted development.
- aa) Notification of a split permission, part refused, part granted at Four Acres, Hall Lane, Wrightington. Proposed single storey side extension was approved as permitted development. The proposed porch extension requires planning permission.
- bb) Notification permission granted for double storey pitched roof extension to side of property, and single storey pitched roof extension to rear of property. 314 Mossy Lea Road, Wrightington.
- cc) Notification permission granted for front & rear extensions to existing dwelling following demolition of existing conservatory & front bay windows. Yew Tree Cottage, Robin Hood Lane.
- dd) Notification a certificate of lawfulness has been granted for proposed loft conversion with rear dormer. 19 Skull House Lane, Appley Bridge.
- ee) Notification permission granted for proposed commercial pods to use Class E and Sui Generis use (drinking establishments and hot food takeaway). Derby House, Mossy Lea Road, Wrightington.
- ff) Notification that the appeal against the WLBC refusal that a lawful commencement has taken place for a detached house and garage as approved on planning permission A/15365/80 issued by Wigan MBC on land between 5 & 9 Mossy Lea Road, Wrightington, has been dismissed.
- gg) Notification that the appeal against the WLBC refusal for the removal of condition 4 imposed on planning permission 2018/1111/FUL to allow reinstatement of permitted development rights for extensions (Class A) and outbuildings (Class E) at Holdcrofts, Tunley Lane, Wrightington has been dismissed.
- hh) Notification that an appeal has been made against the refusal by WLBC of planning permission for the construction of a mushroom farm in conjunction with the agricultural business, Smithy Mushrooms Ltd, to include portal frame buildings, car parking, hardstanding and sustainable drainage system. Bungalow Farm, Heaton's Bridge Road, Scarisbrick.
- ii) Notification of a change of interest from Councillor Jukes, notifying of the intention to stand in the May 2021 Borough and County Council elections as a candidate for the Conservative Party.
- jj) Info. from the RBLI ahead of VE Day on 8th May 2021 with details of outdoor Tommy figures.
- kk) Notification of a Book Launch "Appley Bridge and the Second World War" at Pesto, Appley Bridge on Saturday 8th May 2021 from 12.30pm – Notices will be placed in the Notice Boards.

REPORT 2

Planning applications and responses dealt with as interim action during cancellation of Meetings:
February 2021

- 1) 2020/1250/LDC Certificate of Lawfulness – use of land as residential garden. Holdcrofts, Tunley Lane, Wrightington. **Agreed – No Objections.**
- 2) 2021/0002/FUL Front and rear extensions to existing dwelling following demolition of existing conservatory and front bay windows. Yew Tree Cottage, Robin Hood Lane, Wrightington. **Agreed – No Objections.**
- 3) 2020/1180/FUL Proposed two storey front extension and rear balcony. Highmoor Lodge, Broadhey Lane, High Moor, Wrightington. **Agreed – No Objections.**
- 3) 2021/0046/FUL Proposed detached garage and workshop with associated external works. 349 Mossy Lea Road, Wrightington. **Agreed – No Objections.**

Adjoining Authority Application:

L/2021/0043/AAA Installation of site cabins (retrospective). Chisnall House Farm, Croston Lane, Charnock Richard – **Noted.**

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- 1) 2021/0312/CON Approval of details reserved by conditions 5 on planning permission 2019/1291/FUL relating to a method statement for birds. 203 Mossy Lea Road, Wrightington. **For note only, no comments can be made.**
- 2) 2021/0166/FUL Demolition of existing C20 single storey Orangery and replacement with a new single storey timber framed Orangery. Harrock Hall, Harrock Lane, Wrightington. **Agreed – No Objections.**

- 3) 2021/0167/LBC Listed Building Consent - Demolition of existing C20 single storey Orangery and replacement with a new single storey timber framed Orangery. Harrock Hall, Harrock Lane, Wrightington. **Agreed – No Objections.**
- 4) 2021/0175/FUL Detached Garage located at the south end of the site. Ty Chwarel 49 Appley Lane North, Appley Bridge. **Agreed – No Objections.**
- 5) 2021/0030/FUL Proposed Commercial Pods to Use Class E (Retail) and Sui Generis use (Drinking Establishments and Hot Food Takeaway). Derby House, Mossy Lea Road, Wrightington. **Majority Agreed – No Objections. Councillor Juckes’s objections re: inappropriate development in the Green Belt were received too late to affect the Borough Council decision.**
- 6) 2021/0190/FUL Residential bungalow renovation- including rear and side extension, and converting the roof to include 2 front dormers and one rear dormer. 120 Appley Lane North, Appley Bridge. **Majority Agreed – No Objections. Councillor Juckes objected to the proposals as overdevelopment.**
- 7) 2021/0160/FUL Extended dropped kerb and provision of area for parking. 192 Mossy Lea Road, Wrightington. **Agreed – No Objections.**

REPORT 3

Accounts paid under interim action during the period when meetings were cancelled – for approval February 2021

AW Roofing	Roof repairs – ABVH		£720.00
Dale Burton	Half year grounds maintenance ABVH	£340	
	Planting of planters ABVH & MLVH	£280	
	Spraying and removal of moss MLVH	£105	£725.00
Mr F Johnson	Reimburse cost of window cleaning MLVH		£15.00
LALC	Annual Subscriptions for 2021/22		£487.47
Waterplus	Water supplied to ABVH (x 2 bills as we missed one in Sept)		£203.24
Mrs C A Cross	Clerk’s Salary – Net		£820.56
HM Rev. & Customs	Tax & NI due by Clerk	£5.48	
	NI due by Parish Council	£12.98	£18.46
D/D Plusnet	Internet MLVH		£26.39
D/D Waterplus	Water supplied to MLVH		£158.41
D/D British Gas	Gas supplied to ABVH (estimated)		£275.96
D/D British Gas	Gas supplied to MLVH (estimated)		£306.58
Receipts:			
ABVH Committee	Transfer of funds		£1,500.00
<u>March 2021</u>			
Mr J R Cross	Reimburse Ceiling Materials – Secure room - ABVH		£19.52
Mr Dale Burton	Tree work ABVH (Including path at side)		£650.00
Mrs C A Cross	Reimburse Internet Charges 2020- 2021 (50%)	£120.00	
	Mobile Tel. Charges for past 12 months (50%)	£60.00	£180.00
Mrs C A Cross	Reimburse Mileage Expenses 2020 – 2021		£163.80
Mrs C A Cross	Clerk’s Salary – Net		£820.56
HM Rev. & Customs	Tax & NI due by Clerk	£5.48	
	NI due by Parish Council	£12.98	£18.46
The Curtain Factory	Blinds – ABVH		£1,800.00
D/D Plusnet	Internet MLVH		£26.39
D/D British Gas	Gas supplied to ABVH (estimated)		£453.04
D/D British Gas	Gas supplied to ABVH (estimated)		£394.30
D/D British Gas	Gas supplied to MLVH (estimated)		£355.94
D/D British Gas	Gas supplied to MLVH (estimated)		£187.47