

Minutes of the Full Parish Council Meeting held on the 4/12/23 at Bretherton Endowed School, Bretherton at 8pm

**Present;** Cllr Farbon, Cllr Lloyd (Part), Cllr Mercer, Cllr Wignall and Mrs. G Southworth, Clerk to the Parish Council

In attendance  
County Councillor Alan Whittaker (Part)  
One member of the Energy Project Group

**Matters raised by members of the public, Police or County or Borough Councillors**

Cllr Whittaker reported on the proposed delegation of powers to the County Council and the views of the District Councils.

Cllr Whittaker was thanked for his help in relation to the Mobile Speed Indicator Device

**139/23 Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr Wait

**140/23 Declarations of Interest**

The Clerk declared an interest in Item 156/23 and withdrew from the meeting whilst the item was discussed

**141/23 Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on the 6/11/23**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 6/11/23 were deemed to be a correct record, and were signed by the Vice Chair

**142/23 Highways Issues**

It was **RESOLVED** to note the running list of accidents.

**143/23 Planning**

Ref	Location	Details	Decision
23/00933/FUL	Croft Barn, North Rd, Bretherton	Construction of menage	It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to make no comment

**144/23 Finance**

**144 /1/23 Payment**

It was **RESOLVED** to pay the following invoices. The invoices having been inspected/authorised by Cllr Farbon and Cllr Mercer

Cheque No	Recipient	Description	Amount
1897	Glenys Southworth	November Salary	204.71
1898	Glenys Southworth	November Expenses	82.93
1899	Wignalls Landscapes	Grounds Maintenance work in Nov	436.99

**144/2/23 Monitoring Statement**

It was **RESOLVED** that the monitoring statement for the period to the 30/11/23 be approved and the Vice Chair signed the statement on behalf of the Parish Council.

- 145 /23 Neighbourhood Plan**  
 It was **RESOLVED** to note that;  
 Work is continuing on the Draft Neighbourhood Plan  
 It may be necessary to hold an Extraordinary Parish Council meeting in January to consider the Draft Plan on either the 8<sup>th</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup> January.
- 146/23 Energy Project**  
 It was **RESOLVED** to note that;  
 The Group plans to meet every two months  
 A Consultant in relation to the batteries has been appointed  
 An acoustic study is to be carried out.  
 The wind turbine may be smaller than originally anticipated  
 A timeline is to be developed.  
 It should be possible to link all houses in the village to the Scheme by one means or another.  
 The Group hope to meet with representatives from other areas developing environmental schemes.
- 147/23 Shopmobility Chorley-Request for a Grant**  
 It was **RESOLVED** to consider the request as part of the 24-25 budget setting process,
- 148 /23 Location of Mobile SPID**  
 It was **RESOLVED** to note the latest position
- 149/23 Allocation of CIL money to Bretherton**  
 It was **RESOLVED** to consult residents on the potential use of the funds via the Newsletters
- 150/23 Parish Council Champion Grant Scheme**  
 It was **RESOLVED** to submit a grant application
- 151/23 Western Parishes Neighbourhood Priorities**  
 It was **RESOLVED** to submit an application form
- 152/23 Decision taken by the Clerk in conjunction with the Vice Chair**  
 It was **RESOLVED** to note the decision.  
 Reimbursement of the cost of plastic ties to the Chair
- 153/23 Date and Time of the Next Parish Council Meeting**  
 The date of the next Full Meeting of the Parish Council is the 5/2/24. and will be held in the Primary School, South Rd, Bretherton at 8pm A meeting to discuss potential budget options will be held on the 29/12/23 with the Chair, Vice Chair and Clerk
- 154/23 Exclusion of Press and Public**  
 It was **RESOLVED** to exclude the press and public from the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted in the next agenda items
- 155/23 Casual Vacancy**  
 It was **RESOLVED** to co-op Mr Simon Ellison
- 156/23 Local Government Pay Award 23-24**  
 It was **RESOLVED** to apply the Pay Award to the Salary of the Clerk
- 157/23 Grounds Maintenance Contract 24-26**  
 It was **RESOLVED** to;  
 Amend the Contents of the Contract

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 9.35 pm

Signed.....

Position.....

Date.....

**MINUTE REFERENCE NO 8/23**

