

Whitley Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held in Whitley Village Hall, Village Lane on Tuesday 15 April 2025 at 7.00pm

Councillors: * Cllr R Brock (Chairman)

 * Cllr P Barber
 Cllr M Bratherton

 * Cllr J Cooper

 * Cllr M Crook

 * Cllr M Thompson (Vice Chairman)

 * Cllr G Warburton

 * denotes attendance

Also in Attendance: T Noble (Clerk)
 Borough Cllr P Marshall
 Whitley Village School Headteacher Russell David
 Two Members of the Public

25/133. **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr P Bratherton.

25/134. **Declarations of Interest**

Members were reminded of their responsibility to declare any personal interest or prejudicial interest that they may have in any item of business on the agenda no later than when the item is reached.

25/135. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 18 March 2025 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

25/136. **Public Forum**

25/136.1 **Noted** there were no issues to be reported.

25/136.2 Police Report

Noted no report available.

25/137. **Cheshire West and Chester Borough Councillors Reports**

Apologies were received from Borough Cllr P Marshall.

There were no Borough Councillors in attendance.

25/138. **Planning (1)**

Reference Number: 25/00688/FUL

Location: 6 The Oaks, Raddel Lane, Whitley

Proposal: Single side extension, landscaping, pergola and shed.

No objection

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Cllr P Barber declared an interest in 24/00439/FUL.

Appeals (1)

Reference Number: 24/00439/FUL

Appeal Number: 25/00048/REF

Address: Springpool Fisheries, Lake Lane, Whitley

Description: Change of changing room/shower block to 2 holiday pods

Notice of Decisions (1)

Reference Number: 24/01983/S73

Address: Waters Edge, Raddel Lane, WA4 4EE

New vehicle access off Raddel Lane

Decision: Approved

Appeal Decisions (0)

- 25/139. **Finance**
Resolved that payments listed in Appendix 1 were approved.
- 25/139.1 **Precept**
The 2025/2026 precept of £11,626.00 was received on the 01 April 2025.
- 25/139.2 **Internal Audit 2024/2025**
The Chair signed the Certificate of Exemption AGAR form (page 3), the Annual Governance Statement (page 5) and the Accounting Statement (page 6) for the Clerk to submit to the internal auditors.
- 25/139.3 **WNR Savers Account**
Resolved to transfer rental income from WNR.
- 25/140. **Village Projects and Matters**
- 25/140.1 **VE Day 80 Flagpole**
Resolved that Cllr M Crook has kindly offered to donate a flagpole to the Parish Council to be positioned at the front of WNR.
Cllr J Cooper to decide on the location.
- 25/140.2 **Whitley Nature Reserve Updates**
Noted the Clerk to research 'No Parking' signs for the gate.
- 25/140.3 **Town Pit**
Part 2 Confidential – Matters for Discussions in Closed Session.
- 25/140.4 **Greenhill Lane**
Noted Cllr Brock had been in communication with CWAC Highways. Still ongoing issues. J Stewart Ltd will be provisionally booked for August and Cllr R Brock to inform the Borough Council and to request to size of pipe needed.
- 25/140.5 **Village Flood Plan Committee**
Resolved a message will be placed on the village WhatsApp group to ask if any residents would like to form/help with a Flood Plan Committee.

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- 25/141. **Councillor's Reports**
Cllr Cooper, Town Green needs a road sign. This has been reported previously to CWAC.
Noted Clerk to request a new sign for Town Green.
- 25/142. **Future Agenda Items**
Noted no requests.
- 25/143. **Matters for Discussions in Closed Session**
Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s.2.
Due to the confidential nature of the business concerned, this Act shall not require the meeting to be open to the public.
Noted no matters.
- 25/144. **Date and Time of Next Meeting**
The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council was confirmed as Tuesday 20 May 2025 at 6.30pm followed by the Parish Meeting at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.19 pm.

Signed as a true record:

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Chairman

Dated: 20 May 2025

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Appendix 1 – Payments April 2025

WMT Maintenance WNR Bank Trans	£ 80.00
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Chalc Membership 2025-2026 Bank Trans	£172.38
Whitley Village Hall Room Rental Bank Trans	£ 45.00
Footpath Society Membership 2025-2026 Bank Trans	£ 8.00