WILPSHIRE PARISH COUNCIL

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14 January 2016

Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend the next meeting of the Parish Council which will be held on Wednesday 20 January 2016 at 7.30pm in the Wesley Lounge, Wilpshire Methodist Church, Ribchester Road, Wilpshire.

The agenda is set out below.

L Lund

Clerk

15 minutes public participation

Donna Atkinson – Little Green Bus - is to attend the Parish Council meeting.

AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr Mrs Jean Bremner

1. Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on 16 December 2015
2. Matters arising from the minutes

Min 4283 – appeal re 52 and 54 Knowsley Road

Representations sent to the planning inspectorate.

Min4306 – Donna Atkinson is attending this meeting

Min4314 – Bus service cuts – WPC sent comments to LCC expressing the view ‘do not feel that parish councils running bus services is a viable option’ WPC see this as a retrograde step. Many parishioners rely on subsidised bus services to get to town, college and work. Parishes have no expertise or resources to enable them to run these bus services. WPC also feels that there should be a strategic way to organise public transport.

Min4315 Footpath 5 – reply from David Goode received – they will take our comments into account when considering the appropriate actions.

Min4316 Flooding in Wilpshire \_ Emailed Philip Durnell/Dwayne Lowe LCC asking if cleansing programme in place for cleaning drains/gullies – Dwayne replied that he had forwarded this to the Highways team and future requests should be sent to them . I have had no reply to the email and have contacted Dwayne asking him to chase up highways for a reply prior to this meeting.

1. Accounts for approval

L Lund January Salary £443.23 – 88.64 = **£354.59**

C Walton – invoice awaited

Allianz – fragmentation policy £ 441.46 (VAT£73.58 Net £367.88)

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VAT refund received 14/15 = £282.94

1. Risk Assessment – annual update
2. Correspondence
3. RVBC – Stephen Barker - As you may be aware, the next Parish Council Liaison Committee meeting on 28th January 2016 will include a presentation by representatives of the War Memorials Trust.

Peter Lloyd of the Trust has asked that Town and Parish Councils consider in advance if they have concerns regarding any war memorial that may need work or are considered to be in poor or fair condition.  If they are able to add the memorial to War Memorials Online ([www.warmemorialsonline.org.uk](http://www.warmemorialsonline.org.uk/)) including memorial details, condition and photograph, that would be appreciated.  If this is not possible, then if you wish photographs could be emailed to [peter@warmemorials.org.uk](mailto:peter@warmemorials.org.uk) in advance of the meeting to include close up photographs detailing the concern.

If there are any submitted, Peter and his colleague would be happy to view these  and possibly discuss a couple of real life cases at the meeting, including how support can be provided by grants and consideration of technical issues.  Whilst they may not be able to include all cases at the meeting, they would be happy to take contact details with a view to individual appointments with potential grant applicants after the meeting.

The agenda for the meeting will be circulated next week.

b) LALC – New Audit regime – NALC have set up a company to procure audit services on Parish councils behalf. This letter officially invites you to become an opted in authority to this scheme

When the previous government abolished the Audit Commission, the NALC, The SLCC, and Association of Drainage Authorities (ADA) expressed concerns about the impact this would have on the workload of local authorities. NALC successfully persuaded the governed to let them procure authority audit services, simplifying arrangements and reducing the burden on us. They also successfully persuaded the government to fund the start up costs of £540,000 which the sector otherwise would have had to raise itself The NALC website [www.nalc.gov.uk](http://www.nalc.gov.uk) will give further information but at this stage we need do nothing unless we wish to opt out, set up your own independent audit panel and procure relevant services If we do not wish to participate we have to let them know by 31/01/16.

1. Planning Applications since the last meeting

3/2015/0848 Infilling of existing recesses to front and changes to fenestration. Single storey extension to the rear and creation of extra parking space to the front at 17 Hollowhead Avenue, Wilpshire

<https://www.ribblevalley.gov.uk/site/scripts/planx_details.php?appNumber=3%2F2015%2F0848>

3/2015/1030 Remove single conservatory and construct single storey garden room along rear of property. Remove hip roof to rear of garage and align with new extension at 7 The Dales, Langho

<https://www.ribblevalley.gov.uk/site/scripts/planx_details.php?appNumber=3%2F2015%2F1030>

WPC -No objection

1. Reports from Councillors
2. Seniors Christmas Meal – Wilpshire – Cllr Gaffney/Cllr Ward

10 Consultations County Council – Boundary County Cllr numbers and combined authority– Cllr Gaffney

1. Public footpath improvement programme – Cllr Ward
2. Reports from County/Borough Cllrs

Updates re subsidised bus service cuts

1. Lengthsman Contract – please see attached
2. Wilpshire Boundaries – Mario Maps – Cllr Gaffney
3. Newsletter - progress
4. Any other business
5. Next meeting – Wednesday 9 March 2016