

Minutes of Parish Councils Liaison

Meeting Date: Thursday, 27 January 2022, starting at 6.30 pm
Present: Councillor Martin Highton (Whalley)

Councillors:

D Berryman	B Holden
S Bibby	S Hore
D Birtwhistle	K Horkin
A Brown	D Peat
B Buller	G Scott
J Hill	R Walsh

Parish Representatives:

K Barker	Balderstone
L Crook	Barrow
C Davies	Bowland with Leagram
R Porter	Chatburn
K Kirby	Gisburn
M Gee	Hothersall
H Gee	Longridge Town Council
J Hymas	Mellor
N Marsden	Mellor
R Thornber	Newton
K Berzins	Ramsgreave
C Pollard	Read
M Howells	Salesbury
R Chew	West Bradford
J Brown	Whalley
T Gaffney	Wilpshire
S Houghton	Wiswell
A Scholfield	Wiswell

In attendance: Chief Executive and Head of Regeneration and Housing

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APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Borough councillor:

J Alcock

And the following Parish councillors:

T Austin	Billington & Langho
R Carr	Bowland Forest (Higher)
B Green	Chipping
S Haworth	Clayton-le-Dale
K Thompson	Clayton-le-Dale
J Turner	Dinckley
S Rosthorn	Paythorne
R Hirst	Simonstone
J Rattigan	Waddington

625 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 11 November 2021 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

With reference to minute 474 the Chief Executive reminded parishes to claim the grant the Council was providing to parishes to celebrate and/or commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

626 DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY, OTHER REGISTRABLE AND NON-REGISTRABLE INTERESTS

There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary, other registrable or non-registrable interests.

627 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

628 MATTERS BROUGHT FORWARD BY PARISH COUNCILS FOR THIS AGENDA

None.

629 HAWESWATER AQUEDUCT RESILIENCE PROGRAMME (HARP) - UPDATE

The Head of Regeneration and Regeneration provided a verbal update on the Haweswater Aqueduct Resilience Programme (HARP), although there was little more to report than that given at the last meeting.

He informed members that updates would be posted on the Council's website.

Members requested a timeframe so that the public is aware when works will start to the pipeline.

630 LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN - UPDATE

The Head of Regeneration and Housing gave members a presentation on the position with the Local Development plan review.

He outlined the key stages, emerging issues, and The White Paper. He referred to the existing plans and the need to produce a single new local plan that was -

- Updated
- Relevant to new challenges
- NPPF Compliant
- Rolling forward HEDPD elements
- Updated Development Management policy suite

Key issues and the timetable for them included -

- Regulation 18 - Evidence production, issues and options - Feb 2022
- Regulation 19 - Publication stage – preferred plan - July 2022
- Regulation 22 - Submission stage - Dec 2022
- Regulation 22 - Examination in Public - May 2023
- Inspector's report - Sept 2023
- Adoption - Dec 2023

Emerging issues included -

- Housing land and housing requirements
- Economic growth
- Infrastructure
- Transport
- Patterns of development
- Space for new retail
- Conservation
- Climate change
- Design imperatives
- Sustainable growth

He informed members that the Reg 18 consultation was the opportunity for their views to be put forward that would generate discussion. This would be followed by a series of consultations, some of which would be done digitally. He urged parishes to start thinking about what they would want /not want; what they would be comfortable with and if they would like to see some growth in their villages.

Parishes indicated that they would appreciate up-to-date census information giving details of demographic changes as well as some pointers of core headings to be considered. The Head of Regeneration and Housing agreed to circulate this to parishes along with signposting to the various documents on the website.

Members asked what sort of climate change influences, and space standards could be incorporated in the plan to achieve preferred development. They also asked about cooperation between local authorities where development takes place close to boundaries and therefore has an impact on Ribble Valley infrastructure.

The Head of Regeneration and Housing explained the 'duty to cooperate' being part of the plan making process. He also explained how some things were difficult to include in the plan if there was no legislation to enforce policies and if they made viability an issue for developers.

631 OTHER MATTERS

632 INFORMATION COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE

The Chair asked how many parishes were registered with ICO. He reminded them that they should be as it was a legal requirement.

The ICO is the UK's independent authority set up to uphold information rights in the public interest, promoting openness by public bodies and data privacy for individuals. The ICO is responsible for promoting good practice in handling personal data and giving advice and guidance on data protection.

633 INFORMATION FOR PARISHES

Wiswell Parish Council had asked that parishes be kept informed of new/updated legislation. The Chief Executive informed members that this would be an enormous task and suggested that all parishes should be members of NALC where this information would be readily available. However, he reiterated the offer made at the last meeting that the Council would be happy to host forums where ideas could be shared, and solutions found on topics of concern or interest to the parishes.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The Chairman informed the committee that the next meeting would be on 31 March 2022 at 6.30pm.

The meeting closed at 7.55 pm

If you have any queries on these minutes please contact the committee clerk, Olwen Heap olwen.heap@ribblevalley.gov.uk.