

**MINUTES OF UPPER RAWCLIFFE WITH TARNACRE PARISH
COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 3 JULY 2018**

PRESENT: Cllrs. G Phillips (Chair); Mrs S Hornby-Phillips; T B Roskell; Mrs B Turner; Cllr M Salter of LCC.

The meeting opened at 7.45pm. The Chairman welcomed those present.

085/01 Apologies: Nil.

085/02 Declaration of interest. Members were reminded of the requirement to declare any direct or indirect pecuniary or other interests in accordance with the code of conduct and of the requirement to update the register as necessary.

085/03 Minutes - It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the previous meeting be signed as a correct record.

085/04 Open Forum: No matters were raised.

085/05 Membership: There had been some interest.

085/06 Development: Mr P Flintoff gave a presentation focussing on potential flooding issues affecting both the local area and the Village downstream. It was **RESOLVED** that an objection to the planning application for the extension of works at the site be submitted on the following grounds:

Re: Planning application ref. LCC/2017/0040.

1. We attach a review of the Flood Risk Assessment 542 R6 v 1-4 that has been submitted in support of the application. This review was undertaken by St. Michael's on Wyre Flood Action Group who represent the Parish Council on flooding issues. The review details the concerns our community feels about the inadequacy of the flood risk assessment supporting the quarry development. In an area of high flood risk it is important that Councillors making the application decision and colleagues in the Lead Local Flood Authority providing advice have access to this information.
Also attached is a copy of the Tarnacre Walkover Notes. This also reflects the views of the Parish Council and needs to be brought to the attention of Councillors making the application decision via the planning website.
We understand that the Planning Authority has had copies of these documents which we consider to be vital in the decision making process and yet thus far they have not been published on the LPA website so that they can be accessed by both the decision makers and the concerned residents of St Michaels on Wyre. If the LPA believes that it is correct to cover up this information, we would like to know their reasons as a matter of urgency. Otherwise, we look forward to seeing these documents published as soon as possible.
We are very concerned that without the benefit of this information, the application may be determined on flawed and fictitious information contained in the FRA.
2. The PC has had sight of an EA aftercast of recent flooding to the North of the River Wyre. The PC has also had sight of photographs which prove that the extent of the flooding in the aftercast is grossly underestimated. It is reported that the EA were unable to gather photographic evidence of the additional flood area due to the access being flooded(!) and so have decided not to report it, even though their own flood mapping shows the area as liable to excessive flooding.
3. The PC has had sight of design information which appears to show that the exit route from the northern flood plain to the Pilling Watercourse (Northwards) will be effectively cut off by 9m high bunding. There is serious concern that this will result in far greater flood risk both in the immediate vicinity of the quarry site and downstream in the village of St Michaels on Wyre.
4. The PC understands that unauthorised bunding has been installed locally which will increase the outflow of flood water to the North of the River Wyre. It is recommended that any consents are withheld until these bunds have been either removed or proven to be

acceptable in terms of flood impact on St Michaels. The PC is happy to provide further details of this and any other of our points on request.

5. The local Flood Action Group is working tirelessly to ensure that the impact on the community is minimised and the PC wholly supports their findings and recommend that they are given due weight in the decision making process.

085/08 Flood action group: The EA had carried out an inspection of the river banks and Cllr Matthew Salter of LCC had attended.

085/09 Equipment: It was RESOLVED that a new lawn mower be purchased at a cost of £930+vat.

085/10 Landscape works: It was RESOLVED that the cost of two green recycling bins for use by the Lengthsman and grass cutting contractor would be met by the PC.

085/11 Village Car Park: An application had been received from the School for the siting of welfare cabins during their forthcoming building works. Staff and parents' cars would use the Village Hall Car Park. The application was approved.

085/12 Planning – there were no current consultations

Finance

085/13 Risk assessment: An assessment of all risks was completed as recorded.

085/14 Payments: LALC: membership subscription – £119.91

085/15 Finance: The certificate of audit exemption was approved and completed.

085/16 Accounts: The governance statement for the year ending 31 March 2018 was completed.

085/17 Accounts: The Accounting Statement for the year ending 31 March 2018 was approved.

085/18 Clerk's Report – No further matters were raised.

085/19 Open Forum: It was noted that the line markings on the bridge needed to be replaced and that the road surface to the East of the bridge was in a very poor state of repair.

085/20 Items for agenda: – No further matters were raised.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.40pm

SignedChairman

Date