

GOOSNARGH PARISH COUNCIL

A MEETING of Goosnargh Parish Council was held on **Monday 28th July 2025** at St James' Church at 7.30pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Cllr Rob Hayton – Chairman
Cllr Andrew Butler
Cllr Steve Pike
Cllr Mark Robinson
Cllr John Singleton.

PUBLIC

Helen Witter – Neighbourhood Watch

APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Parish Cllrs Bill Platt and Mick Scambler. Other apologies included County Cllr Maria Jones, City Cllr Daniel Guise, City Cllr Stephen Thompson and PCSO Ellie Burke.

In the absence of the Chairman, Cllr M Scambler, Cllr Hayton Chaired the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MIN 25/26.30 Members **resolved** to approve the June Parish Council Minutes.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION INCLUDING POLICE MATTERS

MIN 25/26.31 Members **resolved** to adjourn the meeting for public participation.

It was stated that the cut grass was not removed from the open space at Inglewhite after the area was mown. It was confirmed that the contractors have not changed and the excess grass was probably attributed to unprecedented growth due to the warm and wet conditions. Nurture – the present contractors - will be contacted if there is a similar issue in August.

Holidays and illness have affected the erection of the second SPID on Inglewhite Lane but attempts will be made to try to erect it before the next meeting. It was confirmed, that amongst other things, SPIDS record the quantity and speed of vehicles. As the device at Inglewhite is successfully reducing speed approaching the village, there are currently no plans to move it.

The damaged directional signpost on Inglewhite Green has been replaced by LCC Highways however, they have not replaced the Button Street nameplate. The Clerk advised that street name plates are managed by Preston City Council and she will contact them to request a replacement.

It was questioned whether weight restriction signs can be erected on Silk Mill Lane and Button Street as there have been incidents where cars have been unable to pass larger wagons.

The Clerk advised that in response to requests in other areas, LCC have stated *a blanket weight restriction is not possible where vehicles require legitimate access to use the road*. In addition, even if signs were erected, there is no mechanism to enforce the weight limit.

Motorists who experience road rage or inconsiderate driving are advised to report it to the police through [Operation Snap](#)

The warmer weather has led to an increase in litter being dropped from vehicles, possibly going to or from Beacon Fell. Preston City Council have stated that they are training some staff on Basic Traffic Management so that they can collect the litter without the expense of closing the roads. The situation will continue to be monitored.

CODE OF CONDUCT & MEMBER INTEREST FORMS

Members were reminded that the Code of Conduct can be viewed on the Parish Council website and they were issued with a copy of the Code of Conduct training guide.

MIN 25/26.32 Members signed a form to acknowledge receipt of the training guide and it was **resolved** that Members would individually review and update their Member Interest Forms where required.

Cllr Butler declared a personal and prejudicial interest in 4 planning applications at Lower Barker as they relate to his property. He did not vote on the application response.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT 1st – 30th June 2025

The Chairman confirmed that the accounts and bank statements had been reconciled.

REVIEW OF 1st QUARTER ACCOUNTS – April to June 2025

Members considered the first quarter accounts and noted the unbudgeted expenditure against the 2025/26 budget items.

MIN 25/26.33 Members **resolved** to approve the 1st quarter analysis.

2025/26 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AND RECEIPTS

MIN 25/26.34 Members **resolved** to note and approve the following invoice already paid in accordance with Standing Order 2023 15 (xii)

May Grounds Maintenance	Nurture	£288.00	Ref 19
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MIN 25/26.35 Members **resolved** to approve the following accounts for payment

June Grounds Maintenance	Nurture	£313.72	BACS
Clerk Salary July	J Buttle	£300.74	BACs
PAYE	HMRC	£75.00	BACs
Mileage (Apr – Jun)	J Buttle	£45.00	BACs
Home Allowance (Apr – Jun)	J Buttle	£97.50	BACs
July Grounds Maintenance (TBC)	Nurture	£313.72	BACS

COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY

Members were reminded that CIL must be spent within 5 years and **noted** that Preston City Council has requested an analysis of the Council's CIL income and expenditure over the last 5 years as part of their audit requirements.

At the May and June meetings, concerns were raised regarding the entrance to Whitechapel Village Hall carpark. It was suggested that CIL could be used to finance the widening of the entrance - subject to plans and costings being brought to a future meeting.

MIN 25/26.36 Members **resolved** to add alterations to the carpark entrance to the CIL Business Plan for further consideration.

WHITECHAPEL VILLAGE HALL - REQUEST FOR FUNDING

Under MIN 24/25.44 Members resolved to allocate £4,000 of CIL funding to Whitechapel Village Hall to enable them to install solar panels and, under MIN 25/26.17c Members resolved to reassign the £4,000 to improve the toilets.

MIN 25/26.37 Members considered the invoices submitted in connection with the new toilets and **resolved** to release the £4,000.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

MIN 25/26.38 Members **resolved** they had no objection to the following planning applications

[06/2025/0392](#) 1no. steel portal frame agricultural building (Phase 4)

[06/2025/0393](#) 1no. steel agricultural portal frame building (Phase 5)

[06/2025/0394](#) 1no. steel agricultural portal frame to cover existing open silo clamps (Phase 1)

[06/2025/0406](#) 1no. steel agricultural portal frame to cover existing open silo clamps (Phase 2)

All the above relate to Lower Barker, Button Street, Preston.

[06/2025/0578](#) Listed building consent for the repair of the cracks on property walls and lime pointing at Latus Hall Farm, Carron Lane, Preston

[06/2025/0762](#) Prior notification submission for 180no. roof mounted PV solar panels at Edenfield Farm, Horns Lane, Preston,

Members considered an additional application received after the agenda had been published. [06/2025/0791](#) change of use of existing barn and agricultural land to dwelling at The Outbarn, Stonyfold Farm, Preston.

It was stated that the Parish Council voiced concerns in 2012 that the building would eventually be converted to a dwelling, however as the re-use / re-habitation of existing buildings is permissible under Policy EN1 of the Local Plan, no objections were raised.

UPDATE ON EXISTING ISSUES / MATTERS OF CONCERN TO MEMBERS

Members **noted** that LCC have replied that as they do not consider the advertising signs at the Horns Inn junction to pose a significant risk to highway users, they do not plan to take any further action.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday **22nd SEPT 2025 at 7.30pm** in Whitechapel Village Hall.

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