PREESALL TOWN COUNCIL



9th July 2025

Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Preesall Town Council on **Monday 14th July 2025** at **7pm** at Preesall Youth and Community Centre, Lancaster Road, Preesall.

Cllr Tony Johnson

Mayor

This meeting may be being recorded by the council, members of the public or the press.

Prior to the start of the meeting the chair will make an announcement to confirm if anyone present intends to record proceedings.

It is important to note that those intending to record do not have to indicate as such but are required to do this in a way that is not disruptive of the meeting and does not focus on the public gallery.

Members of the public participating in the meeting (e.g. making deputations, asking questions, making oral protests) should be aware that they may be filmed, recorded or reported on. If any member of the public speaking at the meeting does not wish to be recorded, they should let the chair of the meeting know.

"The chair of the meeting has the discretion to terminate or suspend filming or recording, if in their opinion continuation of the filming, recording or reporting would disrupt or prejudice the proceedings, infringe the rights of any individual or may lead to the breach of a legal obligation by the council."

AGENDA

1 Apologies for absence

2 Declaration of interests and dispensations

To receive from councillors, disclosures of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest on matters to be considered at the meeting.

3 Minutes of the last meeting

Councillors are asked to approve as a correct record the minutes, as presented, of the meeting held on 9th June 2025 **(emailed).**

4 Public participation

The Mayor will ask councillors to agree to adjourn the meeting to allow <u>non-councillors</u> to speak. When dealing with public participation there is no obligation to respond immediately to comments made, other than those that relate to items on the agenda. If a councillor believes that comments received require a decision of the council and the item is not on the agenda, they can ask for this to be put on to the next meeting's agenda. At the conclusion of the public session the Mayor will ask councillors to agree to reconvene the meeting.

5 Planning Applications

To be considered and resolved to object/not object at the meeting

Planning Application - Consultation Application Number: 25/00457/FUL

Proposal: Erection of commercial livery stables (retrospective)

Location: Littledale 17 Little Tongues Lane Preesall Poulton-Le-Fylde Lancashire

Grid Ref: SD336991 447809

Planning Application - Consultation Application Number: 25/00444/FUL

Proposal: Retrospective change of use of agricultural land for the formation of equine riding menage

for use in connection with livery business

Location: Littledale 17 Little Tongues Lane Preesall Poulton-Le-Fylde Lancashire

Grid Ref: SD336991 447809

6 Quarry Planning Update

To consider any updates on the potential Quarry development and resolve any actions.

7 Finance

Councillors are asked to note

7.1 Bank statements balances - Unity 30th June 2025 £83,461.47, Hampshire Trust 30th June 2025 £51,295.76 and Virgin 31st May 2025 £59,261.97 (Any later balances will be provided as they are received).

7.2 Cllrs are asked to note and approve the following payments.

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Payroll	BACS 169,170	Unity	2,619.83
Lengthsman's Travel expenses (on behalf	BACS 171	Unity	22.00
of council) and Expenses			
Wyre Building Supplies	BACS 172	Unity	71.71
HMRC	BACS 173	Unity	859.68
Nick White	BACS 174	Unity	900.00
Broxap street furniture – bollards for ferry	BACS 175	Unity	525.60
shelter			
Phil Orme – 2 United Kingdom flags	BACS 176	Unity	149.13
Singleton Cloggers – May Day	BACS 177	Unity	100.00
**Move Nest – Methodist Church drone	BACS 178	Unity	135.00
roof survey			
848 Services Ltd	BACS 179	Unity	13.82
BT Joinery – stage payment for St	BACS 180	Unity	18,965.00
Bernards Road storage			
In Bloom donation	BACS 181	Unity	500.00
Re-imburse clerk for Civic Sunday wreath	BACS 182	Unity	30.00
LALC Conference	BACS 183	Unity	90.00
Direct Debits			
Unity Service Charge		Unity	6.00
3 (mobile phone contract) to		Unity	7.20
Easy Web Sites (hosting fee, SSL certificate)		Virgin	66.00
LCC (Pension contributions)		Virgin	485.67

^{**} the Methodist Church survey has been approved by the Legacy Fund Trustee.

- 7.3 To agree as a correct record the bank reconciliations to 31st May 2025 and resolve any actions.
- 7.4 To review payments for the 1st quarter of the financial year and budgets.
- 7.5 Feedback from Finance Meeting and resolve any actions.

8 Memorial for John Raymond Bradburn

Further to the agreement in principle last month, Cllr Orme asks that councillors agree to the purchase of a memorial bench and blue plaque in memory of Ray. Council to resolve that it will provide 50% of the funding and seek contributions from the community for the other 50%.

9 Ambulance response times

After a recent incident in Preesall cemetery the times for ambulance responses for our community is still poor. Cllr Johnson would ask if the council will write to North West Ambulance Service and ask if one of its senior staff could attend a council meeting to explain in detail what the rural response time should be, on average, what it actually is and any actions being taken to improve.

10 Housing Associations

Councillors are asked to support the proposal for the clerk to write to all housing providers in the area, with copies to Wyre Borough Council and the Police, asking what action is being taken to deal with repeat ASB offending tenants on their developments. To also request confirmation that the multi agency meetings are still being held and if the Housing Association ASB officers are attending and co-operating with the Police and if the Police are reporting all responses to the housing providers so that joined up responses are undertaken.

11 Millenium Time capsule

As part of the celebration of 2000, a time capsule was buried in Barton Square close to the clock. Cllr Johnson would like to ask if any councillors have knowledge of this and would like to propose that we install a plaque to show exactly where it is situated.

12 Councillor vacancies

Councillors to receive an update from the clerk on the latest position and to resolve any actions required.

13 SPID's Report

Councillors to receive an update on the SPID reports and to resolve any actions required.

14 Green Space Play Area

In a recent survey (2024) by Wyre Borough Council looking at community access to greenspace and children's play areas our area scored bottom three in all categories. Cllr Johnson would ask the council to look into this matter with some urgency.

15 Road signage

Previous discussions have taken place and the clerk and lengthsman have now completed an audit of signs that the council currently have and those required to be fully compliant with road closures. Council is asked to resolve that the clerk can purchase the signs required. The estimated cost is circa £2,000.

16 Police electric bikes

Sgt Elliot Jones has asked if council would review the provision of £150 towards the purchase of an electric bike to be used in his area. The bike is to be stored in Garstang but will be ridden or taken to locations where needed. Councillors to resolve to support this or not.

17 Legacy Fund meetings

The Legacy Fund trustees have asked if council can nominate a small number of councillors to attend meetings and that these remain consistent at all meetings. Council to resolve the attendees.

18 Pilling Band donation request

In February, Pilling Band competed in the North West Regional Brass Band Championships held in Blackpool, and were proud to achieve 3rd place in their section. As a result, they have been invited to represent the North West and more importantly, our local community at the National Finals in Cheltenham this coming September. This is a prestigious opportunity for the band, but it does come with significant financial implications. The total cost of attending the finals is estimated to be around £4,000, which includes entry fees, coach travel, and

overnight accommodation for the band. They are actively fundraising through a variety of events, including raffles, quiz nights, and a sponsored cycle to Cheltenham being undertaken by two of their dedicated players. Councillors are asked to consider a donation to the band to support them in the finals.

19 Scarecrow trophy for Gala

The Council provide a trophy in memory of Cllr Gordon McCann to be awarded as part of the gala celebrations. The clerk is asking Council to approve the purchase of trophies for 2026 and 2027.

20 Cenotaph

Cllr Orme would like Cllrs to agree to the purchase of four Tommy statues for use on the Cenotaph during remembrance week. Total cost would be £650 from RBL Industries.

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE FOR INFORMATION ONLY

21 Reports from subject leads and outside body representatives

22 Verbal reports from Wyre councillors

Wyre councillors will report any items relevant to the area.

23 Clerk's report

Councillors are asked to note the information contained in the clerk's verbal report

24 Mayor's report

An opportunity for the Mayor to report on events and activities.

25 Questions to councillors

An opportunity for any councillor to ask a question of another councillor.

26 Items for next agenda

The next full council meeting will be held on 8th September 2025 - councillors are asked to raise matters to be included on the agenda and provide updates from working groups by notifying the clerk **in writing by Thursday 28th August 2025** at the latest. The item should specify the business which it is proposed be transacted, in such a way that the members who receive it can identify the matters which they will be expected to discuss i.e. it needs to specify what the proposal is and that a decision is required or whether the item is for information only.