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Local Government Act 1972 Whalley Parish Council

Planning Committee Meeting

Members of the Council, you are summoned to a Meeting of the Parish Council to be held on Thursday 16th January 2025 in the Calder Room, Whalley Old Grammar School at 7.00pm Signed: EKHaworth

Liz Haworth - Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer

Agenda

Agenda items should be submitted to the Clerk seven clear days before the meeting.

The Clerk will forward Councillors, all relevant information and supporting documents, 3 clear days before the meeting.

1.	Attendance & Apologies	
	To record attendance and to receive apologies for absence.	
2.	Declaration of Interests	
	To receive declarations of disclosable pecuniary, other registrable and non-registrable interests in items for discussion on the agenda.	
3.	To Approve the Minutes of the Previous Meeting	
	To approve and confirm the accuracy of the Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 21 st November 2024.	
4.	To review and consider the Planning applications received since October 2024 meeting.	
	Planning Applications received for consideration attached.	Applications for
	Public Participation at the discretion of the Chairman (5 mins per person)	Consultation Emailed to Cllrs

Planning App	Location/Proposal	Plan Officer	Comments /Link
3/2024/0961 Received: 19/11/2024 Registered: 27/11/2024 Committee: 18/12/2024	20 Hawthorn Road Barrow BB7 9EE Applications for full consent Regularisation of partial conversion of a garage to living space and removal of an internal wall. Change of rear doors to bi- folding doors and a window.	Stephen Kilmartin	https://webportal.ribblevalley.gov.uk/site/scripts/planx_details.php?appNumber=3% 2F2024%2F0961 Emailed to WPC for consultation No Comments returned - Noted

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3/2024/0933 Received: 13/11/2024 Registered: 14/11/2024 Committee: 27/11/2024 Withdrawn Decision Date: 27/11/2024	1 to 7 George Street Whalley BB7 9 TH Non-Material amendment Non-material amendment to planning permission 3/2021/1004 involving changes to window. Change and increase of size from the extension to the retail unit at ground floor to a store room. Addition of a bin store adjacent to the store room. Addition of cycle storage within the store room. Addition of a rendered masonry wall covering the external stair. External glazing moved from the face of the rear stairwell. Roof/third floor level skylights amended.	Kathryn Hughes	https://webportal.ribblevalley.gov.uk/plan ningApplication/36984 For Information Only Planning Status Withdrawn
3/2024/0944 Received: 13/11/2024 Registered: 21/11/2024 Committee: 27/11/2024 Withdrawn Decision Date: 27/11/2024	1 to 7 George Street Whalley BB7 9TH Discharge of Conditions Approval of details reserved by conditions 3 (external materials), 4 (details of new windows/doors/rooflights/solar panels, 5 (cycle stores), 6 (south elevation glazing), 10 (odour assessment), 12 (boundary wall specifications) and 13 (rear balcony details) of planning permission 3/2021/1004.	Kathryn Hughes	https://webportal.ribblevalley.gov.uk/planningApplication/36995 For Information Only Planning Status Withdrawn
3/2024/0927 Received: 08/11/2024 Registered: 27/11/2024	Tree Tops Springfield Close Whalley BB7 9AF Variation of Condition Variation of conditions 2 (approved plans), 5 (window details and obscure glazing) and condition 6 (parking and turning facilities) of planning permission 3/2021/0998 for proposed new sustainable detached house on an existing development strip of land adjacent to Treetops.	Emily Pickup	https://webportal.ribblevalley.gov.uk/pla nningApplication/36979 Noted
3/2024/0949 Received: 18/11/2024 Registered: 09/12/2024	65 Mitton Road Whalley BB7 9RY Applications for full consent Proposed single-storey rear extension and new roof over existing kitchen and garage. Alterations to existing front boundary wall and new extended drop kerb.	Lucy Walker	https://webportal.ribblevalley.gov.uk/plan ningApplication/37000 Emailed to WPC for consultation Noted 13/12/2025

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3/2024/0982 Received :	6 Nab View Whalley BB7 9YG Applications for full consent Regularisation of conversion of garage	Maya Cullen	https://webportal.ribblevalley.gov.uk/plan ningApplication/37032
29/11/2024 Registered: 10/12/2024	to home gym.		Emailed to WPC for consultation Noted 13/12/2025

To approve the date of the next meeting on Thursday 20th February 2025 at 7pm at Whalley Old

Grammar School.



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Minutes

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1.	Attendance & Apologies	
	Present: Cllr Allen, Cllr Ball, Cll Highton, Cllr Threlfall (Chairman), Cllr Mirfin.	172/24
	Apologies: Cllr Carlton, Cllr Vickers.	
	In Attendance: Liz Haworth (Clerk), 2 members of the public.	
2.	Declaration of Interests	
	There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary, other registrable and non-registrable	173/24
	interests in items for discussion on the agenda.	
3.	To Approve the Minutes of the Previous Meeting	
	It was resolved to approve and confirm the accuracy of the Minutes of the meeting held on	174/24
	Thursday 17 th October 2024.	
4.	To review and consider the Planning applications received since October 2024 meeting.	
	Planning Applications received for consideration attached.	175/24
	Public Participation at the discretion of the Chairman (5 mins per person)	

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		Officer	
3/2024/0843	22 The Sands Whalley BB7 9TL	David	https://webportal.ribblevalley.gov.uk/plan
Received :	Application for tree works in a	Hewitt	ningApplication/36895
10/10/2024	conservation area		
Registered :	Prune silver birch.		Information Only
23/10/2024	Decided - Final Decision		,
Committee :	APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS		
31/10/2024	Date: 31/10/2024		

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3/2024/0820 Received: 01/10/2024 Registered: 30/10/2024	Whalley Abbey The Sands Whalley BB7 9SS Alter or Extend a Listed Building Listed Building Consent for proposed new fire-rated boiler enclosure to the West Wing for new boilers; changing a vent in a window opening; changing of a window opening into a vent; replacement of West Wing extract flue with a plume to redirect the boiler ventilation away from the historic stonework; East Wing boiler room to have floor barrier installed as previously approved in 3/2017/0087; East Wing extract flue to be replaced with a plume to redirect the boiler ventilation away from historic stonework and inhabited rooms.	Kathryn Hughes	https://webportal.ribblevalley.gov.uk/plan ningApplication/36873 Emailed for WPC Consultation Noted
3/2024/0851 Received: 14/10/2024 Registered: 07/11/2024	4a Wiswell Lane Whalley BB7 9AF Applications for full consent Retrospective planning application for the retention of a single dwelling house and associated parking, soft and hard landscaping and associated works.	Stephen Kilmartin	https://webportal.ribblevalley.gov.uk/site/scripts/planx_details.php?appNumber=3% 2F2024%2F0851 Emailed for WPC Consultation Noted
3/2024/0880 Received: 22/10/2024 Registered: 31/10/2024	10 Manor Road Whalley BB7 9TE Certificate of Lawfulness - Proposed Certificate of Lawfulness for proposed external alterations to garage to create home office and storage (incidental living space).	Emily Pickup	https://webportal.ribblevalley.gov.uk/planningApplication/36932 Noted
3/2024/0454 Received: 04/06/2024 Registered: 06/11/2024	Unit 7 Abbey Works King Street Whalley BB7 9SP Applications for full consent Regularisation of unauthorised addition of mezzanine floor and creation of bar/cafe upstairs.	Kathryn Hughes	https://webportal.ribblevalley.gov.uk/planningApplication/36508 Emailed for WPC Consultation WPC to object on inappropriate premises for use, fire accessments, access, licence granted without change of use.
3/2024/0855 Received: 14/10/2024 Registered: 12/11/2024	6 Pendle Drive Whalley BB7 9JT Application for tree works Crown lift T3 sycamore, reduce limb 10% to let in light; crown lift lower branches T4 oak; crown lift and remove epicormic growth from main stem of ash T2.	Alex Shutt	https://webportal.ribblevalley.gov.uk/pla nningApplication/36907 Information Only

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3/2024/0895 Received: 04/11/2024 Registered: 05/11/2024 3/2024/0865 Received: 22/10/2024 Registered: 12/11/2024	2 The Sands Whalley BB7 9TL Application for tree works in a conservation area Crown lift and thin 15% T1 Silver Birch, T2 Horse Chestnut, T3 Sycamore, T4 Acer, T5 Maple. The Croft Care Home 84 King Street Whalley BB7 9SN Application for tree works in a conservation area Side pruning of two popular trees to bring them off neighbouring houses.	Alex Shutt Alex Shutt	https://webportal.ribblevalley.gov.uk/planningApplication/36947 Information Only https://webportal.ribblevalley.gov.uk/planningApplication/36917 Information Only
3/2024/0920 Received: 08/11/2024 Registered: 13/11/2024	Land on the east side of Clerk Hill Road just to the south of the access to Whalley Golf Club off the west side of Clerk Hill Road Whalley Agricultural determination Prior notification of proposed agricultural storage building 18.26m long, 12.19m wide, 5.44m high to ridge, 3.65m high to eaves.	Emily Pickup	https://webportal.ribblevalley.gov.uk/plan ningApplication/36972 Information Only

5.	Acceptance of Emailed Objections/Comments on Planning Applications received before January's meeting of the committee.	
	It was resolved to allow temporary email submissions of objections or comments from Councillors for any planning applications requiring feedback before the next committee meeting in January 2025. Any responses will be reviewed and ratified by full committee at the January meeting.	176/24
6.	Reports/Updates/Other	
	Items arisen re planning / correspondence received since the last meeting.	177/24
7.	Next Meeting Dates	
	It was resolved to approve the date of the next meeting on Thursday 16 th January 2025 at 7pm at Whalley Old Grammar School.	178/24

Meeting	Closed at	19:20
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Signed by Chairman: Date:

Councillor Richard Vickers



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Kathryn Hughes
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25th November 2024

Dear Kathryn Hughes

RE: Planning Application No: 3/2024/0454

Grid Ref: 373272 436112

Proposal: Regularisation of unauthorised addition of mezzanine floor and creation of

bar/café upstairs.

Location: Unit 7 Abbey Works King Street Whalley BB7 9SP

Whalley Parish Council formally object to the above planning application for the regularisation of unauthorised addition of mezzanine floor and creation of bar/café upstairs

The Parish Council have a number of concerns which include;

1. Inaccurate Representation of the Application

The application refers to a "regularisation" of the change of use, implying that the current use was previously authorised and that this is simply a formality. In reality, no permission was ever granted for this change of use, making this a new and unauthorised activity. The initial planning permission (Ref: 3/2017/0164) restricted the use of the building solely as a gymnasium for PLM Fitness under Class D2, which excludes other uses without explicit permission in the interest of amenity of the area in accordance with Policy DMG1, of the Ribble Valley Core Strategy.

Had an application been submitted initially, the Parish Council would have objected based on established planning policies, change of use purpose, and particularly under the Cumulative Impact Assessment (CIA), which seeks to manage the impact of such venues on the surrounding area. This application suggests that the venue could exacerbate existing community issues.

2. Fire Regulations and Health & Safety Concerns

The building does not appear to meet necessary fire safety standards for a venue of this nature and confirmation is required that the building's exits, fire alarms, and safety provisions are up to required standards for a venue with bar/café facilities.

3. Access

In addition to the concerns raised, we would also like to highlight the issue of access to the building. The route between King Street and the unit provides no separate footways or adequate lighting for pedestrians, making it hazardous, particularly at night. The area is a mix of informal car parking and service areas used by various commercial businesses, which regularly attract goods vehicles along with cars dropping off and collecting patrons from the venue. This creates a significant risk to pedestrian safety, as there is no clear separation between pedestrians and vehicular traffic, increasing the risk of accidents due to poor planning and lack of clear pedestrian access.

4. Noise, Licensing, and Oversight

The building is unsuitable for this purpose in this location and poses potential issues for the surrounding residential community, including noise pollution, anti-social behaviour, and road safety hazards. The unauthorised addition should not be regularised for this use and the building should remain solely for the agreed purpose of a gymnasium as originally intended.

The Parish Council highlights that a license for the bar/café was granted even though the planning permission for the mezzanine addition and venue change had not been obtained, indicating poor coordination between licensing and planning authorities.

The Council urges the Planning Authority to reject the application, reinforcing the need for a transparent, fair, and policy-aligned planning process.

Yours sincerely,

EK Haworth

Liz Haworth Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer Whalley Parish Council