

08/01403/FUL Erection of conservatory and single storey extension to rear.
Mrs D Williams, 51 Moorside Road, Brookhouse
No objections subject to neighbours comments

Applications **Approved** :-

08/01277/CU Conversion to 2 storey dwelling
Old Laundry, Copy Lane, Caton
09/0003/TPO Notice to carry out work to trees
Reduce height of Willow
Dr D Coltman, Forge Mill House, Caton

Application **Refused** :-

08/01347/FUL Erection of single storey rear extension
Mr P Kettlewell, 13 Brookhouse Road, Caton

09/123 PROPOSED WIND FARM

Comments were invited on the Scoping Report issued by Community Windpower Ltd to Lancaster City Council (by 20th February). This identifies the potential environmental impacts to be considered and how, in the Environmental Impact Assessment.
Up to 20 turbines are being considered.

The Clerk was asked to write to Lancaster City Council regarding the re-instatement of the grass verge at the junction of Littledale Road and Roeburndale Road following the construction of the existing wind farm.

09/124 COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS

The City Council leader had resigned and had been replaced by Cllr A Bryning. The budget had to be cut by £ 1.4 million which may include the closure of public toilets.
The Task Group on Parish Council Dual Expenditure had been set up and there was a Fair Pay Review being undertaken by the City Council.

The City had prepared a report against the closure of Hornby High School. County will decide on Friday but the chances are that they will recommend closure.

09/125 LENGTHSMAN, HIGHWAYS & FOOTPATHS

The Lengthsman works for 6 Hours per week in the village and has extra hours for the Millennium Park.

The Lengthsman would be asked to repair the seat on Lancaster Road and replace the missing bolt on the seat on Brookhouse Road.

It was agreed to continue as previous years with the City Council for the Grass Cutting Contract 2009 but compile accurate maps of areas and confirm with County Highways.
An order would be placed with the City Council for cleaning Bus shelters weekly and Fell View (£ 18.50/month).

An Accident Claim had been received regarding a fall on Station Road. This had been passed onto our Insurers.

Three quotes have been obtained to repair potholes etc. on Station Road.

	Repairs to Roadway,	Parking bays,	White lines
Chaplow	£575	£525	£480
Wenning Surfacing	£745	£680	-
JE Duckett	£1,200	£1,400	£300

It was agreed to place an order with Chaplow for the entire works at £ 1,580.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would not carry out gritting etc. in cold weather.

The Clerk was asked to report the water on the carriageway by the Scarthwaite Hotel and the Police would be asked to investigate the parking of vehicles on Artlebeck Road which restricts access for emergency vehicles.

09/126 WAR MEMORIAL

The rebuilding of the wall is subject to Insurance approval and would be chased.
The building of raised flower beds was discussed but rejected on the grounds of cost
It was agreed to accept Heather Neesham's quote for maintenance for 2009 at £ 880.
The Clerk would ask the Lengthsman to powerwash the paths at the Memorial

09/127 FINANCE

It was agreed to a donation of £ 100 to North West Air Ambulance

Proposed Cllr R Gibbons, seconded Cllr S Langhorn and **resolved** that the following payments be made:-

Clerk's Salary Jan & Travel expenses, RB. Alexander	£	450.22
(Note: Salary paid gross, Tax will become Clerk's responsibility at year end)		
Mr B Postlethwaite, to open/close public toilets, February	£	40.00
Steve Smithson, hosting of Village web site	£	140.92
Lancashire Playing Fields Assoc, subscription	£	15.00
Victoria Institute, meetings	£	68.75
Victoria Institute, Coffee mornings	£	68.75
BT, Clerk's phone	£	51.59
PWLA, loan repayment	£	637.67
Lancashire County Council, Rent for car park	£	115.00
Victoria Institute, Grant	£	750.00
North West Air Ambulance, donation	£	100.00

09/128 BENCH

Cllr D Coltman agreed to clear everything with the Victoria Institute and make arrangements for Chris Hill to fix the bench.

09/129 FELL VIEW

Lancashire Environmental Project Team have started to put together a brief for Fell View. A designer will be appointed to produce a scheme. It will include natural play elements and hopefully they will be able to help secure funding. Agreed that as a first step the 'Projects' sub-committee would meet with LCC to agree a plan.

The latest inspection report has highlighted a number of issues with the existing play equipment - specifically to the safety surfacing and certain units. The City Council have quoted to repair the items and it was agreed that we proceed and have the round-about removed and the gate latch replaced.

09/130 ACCESS RIGHTS ALONG STATION ROAD

It was agreed that the Parish Council accept the Environment Agency proposal of a term of 20 years with a rent review after 10 years at £ 25 per year to renew their access rights along the part of Station Road, in connection with the river gauging station and weir on the river Lune. They are considering a contribution towards maintenance.

09/131 ALLOTMENTS

The City Council Allotment Task Group are investigating current and future demand for allotments throughout the district and have requested suggestions of pieces of land which may be suitable.

The County Council have rejected the suggestion of the land by the school as its use would contravene legislation on the disposal/leasing of school playing fields.

09/132 REPORTS OF MEMBERS ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Twining – The AGM will be held on Thursday 19th February 7.30 Tea Room, Victoria Institute.

Youth Centre – The building is in the process of being sold although the Charity Commission have asked questions.

Victoria Institute – Chris Kynch has left the Management Board.

09/133 LALC AND CORRESPONDANCE

LALC Meeting discussed :_ Child safety and mobile phones in cars, Spids, Local Strategic Partnership, District version of Parish Charter and research into Village Halls into Resource Centres.

Please request from Clerk if interested

Lancaster City Council priorities – Have your say
Brookhouse Conservation Area meeting Tuesday 17th February
LALC Competition
Best Kept Village Competition
Chairmanship Workshop – 4th March

09/134 ITEMS / DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 10th March 2009. Agenda closes
5th March 2009

The meeting closed at 10.25 pm.