*MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SAMLESBURY & CUERDALE PARISH COUNCIL*

*HELD ON THURSDAY 23RD JANUARY 2025 AT SAMLESBURY MEMORIAL HALL*

*PRESENT*

Aimee Barton Parish Clerk, Graham Young Chairman   
Parish Councillors George Whalley, Sue Redmayne, Clare Lewis, Glen Clayton, Ian Seed, Stephen Fawcett and Michael Higginson (to come later in the evening)

Cllr Barrie Yates

Two Members of the public

*ITEM 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE*

Cllr Kath Wright, Cllr Peter Mullineaux and Cllr Jasmine Gleave

*ITEM 2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST*

2.1 Register of Interests – Councillors were reminded of the need to update their register of interest.

2.2 No members disclosed any personal or prejudicial interests in any matter to be discussed at the meeting.

*ITEM 3 ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING*

3.1 Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 28th November 2024 were accepted as a true record.

*ITEM 4 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES*

4.1 Chairman’s report

Happy New year to everyone. I hope that you have had lots of time to enjoy your families and recharge your batteries ready for 2025.

Strategic Plan document for Central Lancashire until 2041 The Consultation round of meetings for the Central Lancashire Plan is now up and running, following the joint Council meeting on 29th January, where the plan was formally approved. The meetings will run from Monday 24th February to Monday 14th April, but those which are likeliest to appeal to the Samlesbury and Cuerdale residents are:- St. Aiden’s Church Hall at Bamber Bridge on Tuesday 25th March from 4.00pm. to 7.00pm. The Cross Room at Leyland Civic Centre, West Paddock, Leyland, PR25 IDH: Monday 17th March, 4.00pm. to 7.00pm. If these are not convenient, please go on-line to the Central Lancashire website for further available dates and meetings. Questions re. the above can be sent to centrallancashireplan@chorley.gov.uk or can be telephoned to 01772 625388, or 01772 625589 Responses can be sent in on-line, or posted to:- Regulation 19 Consultation, Central Lancashire Local Plan Team, Preston City Council, Town Hall, Lancaster Road, PR1 2RL. This is the Strategic Plan document for Central Lancashire until 2041, so please get involved.

The traffic lights at the Samlesbury end of the link road (Sir Frederick Page Way), are causing problems and constantly failing. This has been brought to the attention of Lancashire County Council on numerous occasions. It seems to be an on-going concern and once again LCC are looking into it.

The flooding outside the new Brewery entrance is a growing concern. This matter has also been raised and forwarded to LCC. There is a plan of work to clear all the roadside gullies during this year, with a commitment to keeping them clear in the future. A new road-marking and traffic management scheme is being rolled out around our lanes, to try and advise drivers of the speed that they are travelling at.

Road lights around the parish have also been reported to LCC and will hopefully soon be lighting our way again.

The master plan for LCC Highways was once again called for at the Parish Council meeting. This would help us with our actions regarding planning matters.

Recent accidents on the M6/M61 have proved that when one of those motorways are closed, the increased volume of traffic in the parish makes it impossible to get around – particularly along narrow roads like Quaker Brook Lane, which becomes totally gridlocked.

There will be special celebrations for the 80th Anniversary of VE Day on Friday 6th June.

During 2025 Samlesbury Higher Hall will be celebrating it’s seven hundredth year. Please see the ‘What’s On’ for details of some of their events during the Spring.

4.2 Referring to item 8.3 on November 2024 minutes regarding the site meeting at the bottom of Sir Fredrick Page Way, where are we up to with this? Still waiting for a date for this meeting to take place.

4.3 The objection banners from the action group for CGV have still not been removed. The ones that look tidy can be kept up, but the others need removing.

4.4 The additional road signs, where are we up to with it? Thought it sounded immanent.

4.5 The footpath at Mowcroft is washing away. Chairman to speak to Barrie about it.

4.6 The new entrance way which has been created in the wall on Intack Lane has now had a hardcore track laid down. It is on a bend and the sight line is questionable, it is also on a single-track road. Have been told it is a permitted development, but the Chairman will get back in touch with the enforcement officer.

4.7 The new entrance way opposite Park Lane:- The Chairman will get in touch with the enforcement officer.

4.8 Regarding McKennas, sure there is something going on there. Will have to have a walk down and investigate further.

4.9 What about the bus shelter?

4.10 There are three street lights out on Nabs Head Lane. Some are also out on Preston New Road. The lamppost numbers are required for reporting to LCC. Chairman to get these.

4.11 The garage that corners Intack Lane and Branch Road is looking rather big, have they got planning for this?

4.12 Chairman needs to complete the form for the D-Day celebrations to receive the money from LCC. Go online and do this, you will find it under LCC members grants.

*ITEM 5 L.C.C*

Since the last meeting, Barrie has got a report which he has brought to the meeting and has shown to all the PC members for all the proposed sites for new signs and street markings for Roach Road, Goosefoot Lane, Further Lane and Spring Lane. Can LCC clean the moss covered road signs? LCC are wanting the PC to hire a lengthman, you can draw money from SRBC for this. The corner on Fairview: -can this not have a SPiD to warn people? With all the other signs and road markings being installed can LCC not install one of these as well? You can buy a SPiD as a PC. The SPiD cameras are around £3,000 - £5,000 to buy. Or could we hire one? Balderstone PC did hire one. Proposed and seconded to look into hiring. Clerk to ask Balderstone PC regarding this. Where would we put it? Suggested Fairwood corner? People drive too fast round this corner, it would be useful to have one to say slow down rather than the speed, but it would be interesting to see how fast people are travelling. The instalment of the new road markings and signs is going to cost around £35,000. The roads are in bad condition. Should some of the road markings be carried out on the good roads first, then once the road repairs have been carried out then put the new markings down? Down Samlesbury Bottoms the roads are in terrible condition. Barrie has reported a lot of them. It will be a waste of money installing the lines and signs first, to then fix the roads and replace the already new lines and signs.

*ITEM 6 S.R.N*

Can I please take this opportunity to wish all of the Parish Council members a Happy New Year & to thank you all for the work you do. It really is appreciated.

It is an honour & a privilege to be the Mayor of South Ribble & I have attended a record number of engagements in my role to date.

In my year of office, I still have until May 21st before stepping down so if there is any event in the area you would like me to attend as the Mayor please do not hesitate to get in touch.

At borough council level not a great deal has been happening leading up to Christmas apart from the Central Lancashire Local Plan which is on the agenda to be discussed at full council on 29th January with the intention if agreed to then be put out for a 6-week consultation period.

The other main point would be making decisions regarding the budget & Council Tax setting which is due at the end of February.

*ITEM 7 MATTERS RAISED BY THE PUBLIC*

7.1     There has been a recent press article in the Lancashire Telegraph regarding Finington Lane (Junction 3 on the M65) Chorley, which refers to a proposed planning application for two large warehouses.   
  
7.2    It would appear that SRBC has now produced a draft proposal for the "preferred housing and employment sites“. *The details of which  (some 1000 plus pages ) can be found under item 9 titled CLLP 2023 - 2041 [ Publication Version Regulation 19 Consultation ] of the agenda   for an SRBC  Council  meeting to be held on 29th January.  
  
I assume the Council  will put item 9 to the vote  and assuming it is accepted item 9 will go forward as the preferred option sites which also includes Chorley and Preston .    
  
This  document will then under (Regulation 19) become part of the 6 week consultation period  including drop in sessions for residents in the different SRBC wards to attend and express their views .  
  
This will course require a response from Parish Councils . I believe the 6 week consultation period is imminent but no dates given yet*7.3      CLLP  Highways and Transport Masterplan and future policy – where is the master plan? It will happen after the Local Plan.

7.4 There has been an e-mail received by the Clerk (which has been read out) regarding trees on Goosefoot Lane. Depending on where the trees are situated depends on who’s responsibly they are. If the hedge is on the roadside and the trees are in the hedge, then the trees are the landowner’s responsibility. If, however, the trees are on the roadside then they are highways responsibility. Do we know who owns the land? Chairman to go down and investigate. The road is also sunken down there. The ditch needs clearing, that is down to the farmer.

7.5 Regarding the hedge on the corner of Brook House, have been in contact with the owners and yes something does needs doing with it, it is ongoing and will be dealt with.

*ITEM 8 MATTERS RAISED BY THE COUNCIL*

8.1 Did we talk about the grass verges last time? UU will take care of the stretch down Spring Lane and Nabs Head Lane.

8.2 There has been flooding by the new brewery entrance, surly the drains should be ok and the gulleys all clear. Chairman to go down and put on the app.

8.3 The traffic lights on Sir Fredrick Page Way onto Preston New Road are hopeless they keep going off and on. They are dangerous. These need reporting.

8.4 Last year after a lot of complaining, they started thinning out the trees on Mowcroft. This has since stopped, can we get LCC back onto this?

8.5 Can the Clerk report about a black bag on the slip road on Vicarage Lane?

8.6 The litter on Preston New Road is horrendous, can this be reported? Seems to have got worse with Chiawalla opening.

8.7 Are we getting anywhere with the landscaping at the brewery? They are still insisting that they are going to plant up. They have till March; can we keep reminding them? Shall we have a meeting with them? The lighting is still an issue, a meeting is needed.

8.8 The lights at Bukarah are still dazzling, they are saying that they have someone sorting this.

8.9 Regarding the Memorial Cross, if anything happens to it then we will deal with it then. Can we move the cross? How long has the cross been there? The base of the cross is 1800’s. It has to be Cuerdale, as it is known as the Cuerdale cross. It has been moved at some point as it was on the opposite side of the road and closer to the road. Would it help to paint the curb white? It will draw attention to it, it could slow people down. Can we ask Barrie to add this to his list? Its not a great place to stand to show our respects where the cross is situated. It would be safer to have it at the Memorial Hall, but that isn’t Cuerdale. Should we make this an agenda point for the next meeting? Find out more about it, we need to gather all knowledge first. Could we perhaps put another cross at Nabs Head?

8.10 Need to raise the issue with UU regarding the wall. It needs sorting. We need a meeting with them can this be arranged.

8.11 Central Lancashire Plan – In an upshot we are comfortable as it is. CGV isn’t in it nor is the Logik development. But comfortable is also uneasy. Let’s just hope the council are onside with it, and then it will go to a six week consultation. A little bit uneasy until it is passed. Chairman to let PC know when the consultation meetings will take place. Pg 946 preferred housing options, CGV is included, but on pg’s 970-974 it isn’t included. CGV is still with SRBC, it will still go forward for the access points. Trying to get a meeting with CPRE and the local chair of planning to find out more. Pickerings Farm is going ahead which will bring 7,000 houses in Farrington. Building work will not start on Pickerings Farm until 2026. When they do the housing calculations for SRBC they don’t add up. CPRE are happy with the Local Plan as it stands at the moment. There are anomilies in the document. They keep quoting 15 years but from 2023-2041 it is actually 18 years. When the consultation comes out then we will have to have the discussion then and ask them look into this. CPRE are looking into the plan already. 23,000 houses are needed over the three councils. SRBC are picking up the short fall for Chorley. Are there two plans out there? One for Preston New Town? And one for the current Local Plan?

*ITEM 9 ACCOUNTS*

9.1 Expenditure

Expenditure

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| 23/01/2025 | Cheque 701 | Clerk Dec/Jan wage | £400 |
| 23/01/2025 | Cheque 702 | Dec Newsletter | £72 |
| 23/01/2025 | DD | January website fee | £55.44 |
| 23/01/2025 | DD | February website fee | £55.44 |
| 23/01/2025 | Cheque 703 | Office (Stamps) | £6.60 |

Proposed and second.

9.1 The bank statements, bank reconciliation and the cashflow were all agreed and signed.

9.2 To agree the £7,645.09 received by South Ribble Borough Council. Chairman to send the remittance through.

9.3 The money is there for a lengthman can we not get one? Need to get a list of jobs together.

9.4 The King has set up an Environmental Law Foundation. Are the PC happy to donate £100 for the PC to join the Environmental Law Foundation, this could help the PC with the objection towards the Quarry. Proposed and Seconded.

*ITEMS 10 PLANNING APPLICATIONS*

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| 07/2024/00863/FUL | 4 Fairview  Roach Road Samlesbury  Preston  Lancashire PR5 0UA | Formation of gated access onto Roach Road | Objection has gone in. |
| 07/2024/00757/FUL | Samlesbury Hall Preston New Road Samlesbury Hall Preston Lancashire PR5 0UP | Proposed erection of permanent event and kitchen marquees | It’s moved onto a different number, Clerk to send the same e-mail for this application number, as it’s a different application number from the last one. Can we ask the council to cross reference all the outstanding objections. We need to know. Use both numbers. And can the objections be crossed over and there has been a confusion over the numbers. |
| 07/2024/00897/FUL | Ab Inbev UK Limited Cuerdale Lane Samlesbury Preston Lancashire PR5 0XD | Proposed installation of 2 no. carbon dioxide storage tanks and associated works. | Been Granted 15th January |
| 07/2024/00908/HOH | 2 Fairview  Roach Road Samlesbury  Preston  Lancashire  PR5 0UA | Erection of glass roofed Veranda | Its on the front of the front. |

Member’s Decisions.

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| 07/2024/00676/FUL | The Hollins  Roach Road Samlesbury  Preston | Temporary placing of a static caravan within the enclosed site (private paddock) to the north east of the Hollins Barn for use as a residential dwelling before and during the demolition of existing barn | Approval with Conditions  12th December 2024 |
| 7/2024/00670/CLD | Brook House Farm Goosefoot Lane Samlesbury  Preston  Lancashire  PR5 0RP | Certificate of Lawfulness for a proposed residential outbuilding | Certificate Granted  19th December 2024 |
| 7/2024/00819/HOH | 4 Goosefoot Close Samlesbury  Preston  Lancashire  PR5 0SS | Proposed single-story Rear Extension and alterations | Approval with Conditions  17th December 2024 |
| 07/2024/00320/FUL | Huntley Hall  Preston New Road Samlesbury  Preston | Proposed infill development comprising two detached two-storey dwellings | Approval with Conditions  9th January 2025 |

*ITEM 11 POLICIES*

The communication and complaints policies were agreed and signed.

Item 12 CGV Report

No meetings have been taking place.

*ITEM 13 AGREE THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING.*

Thursday 27th March 2025 starting at 7.30p.m. at Samlesbury Memorial Hall

Meeting closed at 21.08