**Wray with Botton Parish Council**

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**Monday 13th October 2025, 7pm. Meeting Room, Village Institute**

**AGENDA**

**26/70 – Apologies for absence –**

**26/71 - Declarations of interests and dispensations –** Cllr Wright is on the Village Institute committee.

**26/72 – To approve the minutes of Ordinary Meeting held on Monday 13th September**

**26/73 – To co-opt to the Council – three vacancies**

**26/74 - Council Admin –**

Santander bank account is introducing a new charge of £4.99/month. Cllr Cheshire to update.

**26/75 Finances:**

**Expenses:** Lengthsman’s wages TBC

C. Halstead TBC

Clerk’s wages - £407.68

**Income: none**

**26/76 Wray Village Institute –** Review of constitution received and shared with Councillors. Solicitors are now working on the transfer**.**

**26/77 Banking –** £2,000 transferred to Virgin bank account. As of 9th October, £170 remains in Santander account.

**26/78 Neighbourhood Plan –** no matters arising

**26/79 Planning Applications –** none received.

**26/80 PROWs: Main St – Home Farm, DMMO 804-763 –** Appeals process is ongoing.

**Wennington Rd DMMO 804-620** – appeals process is ongoing – location to be assessed by LCC.

**26/81 Blooming Wray** - benches for Community Orchard.

**26/82 Village Greens –** Council to select picnic table/bench to order for Flood Garden. 1 picnic table considered in place of bench which needs repairing.

Update on benches around the Mosaic area on Flood Gardens

Curved benches – clerk contacted James Staveley re repair.

1. **Parish Playground –** annual inspection received from Lancaster City Council. Please see Appendix A for repair work to be considered.

**26/83 - Speed calming measures for the village**

**SPIDS** – Awaiting written confirmation from landowner before approaching LCC for site assessment.

**26/84 - Smithy Brow:** Clerk contacted solicitors with enquiries about Parish Council managing the sale.

**26/85 AOB –**

Email sent to Highways, Lancashire County Council, with regards to glysophates and requesting they not be used round the village.

**26/69 - Date and time of next meeting –** Monday 10th November, 2025, 7p.m.

Appendix A – Parish Playground Annual Inspection Review

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| Overall Risk Assessment Level 2025 | 15 - Moderate Risk |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **Item** | **Risk Assessment** | **Numerical RA** | **Findings** | **Proposed repairs** | **To be actioned by** | **Date completed** |
| Site General | Low | 9 | There are gaps opening between the surfacing and the edging surround or between the joints in the surfacing | Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required |  |  |
|  |  |  | There is algae, silt or moss growth on the surface resulting in slippery conditions | Clean and treat appropriately |  |  |
|  |  |  | There are significant gaps (over 30mm) between the  surface and the edging or between the joints in the surface;  these are large enough for a small foot to enter | Repair  surfacing |  |  |
|  |  |  | There is weed / vegetation growth on, between, or around  the edges of the surfacing | Remove weed / vegetation  growth |  |  |
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| Gate to field | Low | 6 | This item is satisfactory - no work required |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sign | Very low | 5 | This item is satisfactory - no work required |  |  |  |
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| Litter Bin | Very low | 5 | This item is satisfactory - no work required |  |  |  |
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| Gate - self closing - to playground | Very low | 5 | This item is satisfactory - no work required |  |  |  |
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| Fence - Timber and Mesh Infill | Low | 8 | There are projecting nail ends present | Remove and  provide more appropriate fixings if required |  |  |
|  |  |  | There is some damage to the fence sections | Monitor for  any further deterioration and repair as required |  |  |
|  |  |  | There is some evidence of rot in the timber posts | Monitor  for any further deterioration and replace as required |  |  |
|  |  |  | There are a number of timber slats missing from the fence | Replace missing slats |  |  |
|  |  |  | There are a number of loose posts around the fence | Monitor for any further deterioration and reset as required |  |  |
|  |  |  | A number of fixings have worked loose around the fencing | Secure all loose fixings |  |  |
|  |  |  | There are a number of fixings missing from the fence | Replace missing fixings |  |  |
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| Wall | Low | 8 | A number of wall stones are loose | Secure stones |  |  |
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| Bench | Very low | 5 | This item is satisfactory - no work required |  |  |  |
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| Toddler swing set | Moderate | 15 | There are splits in the timber running through fixing points  and creating some instability in the structure | Replace all  affected timber parts |  |  |
|  |  |  | The surface has subsided in some areas | Monitor for any  further deterioration and repair as required |  |  |
|  |  |  | There is some notable evidence of chain wear | Monitor for  any further deterioration and replace when 40% worn |  |  |
|  |  |  | There are repairs and additional support (posts) to rotting  components on the item | We would recommend regular  inspection to monitor stability of the structure |  |  |
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|  |  |  | The timber on this item has severe rot | Remove and  replace all affected timber sections |  |  |
|  |  |  | The bush / bushes is / are worn or missing | Replace worn  or missing bushes |  |  |
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| Flat seat swings | Moderate | 15 | There is some wear to the shackles | Monitor for any  further deterioration and replace when 40% worn |  |  |
|  |  |  | The timber has a number of splits/shakes or air cracks and  this may affect the stability or allow water ingress which will  accelerate the rotting process | Monitor to ensure the splits  do not cross through fixing points of the structure and/or  cause any instability |  |  |
|  |  |  | The safety surface under or around this unit has been  damaged | Monitor for any further deterioration and repair  as required |  |  |
|  |  |  | Due to rotten timber posts, additional support posts are  installed | We would recommend regular inspection and risk  assessment is carried out on the frameworks integrity |  |  |
|  |  |  | There is some notable evidence of chain wear | Monitor for  any further deterioration and replace when 40% worn |  |  |
|  |  |  | There are areas or parts of the timber on the structure that  have rotted | Replace all affected timbers |  |  |
|  |  |  | A number of fixing(s) have worked loose, fixings lose were  legs cross at top | Secure all loose fixings |  |  |
|  |  |  | The fixings have corroded excessively ( fixing has perished) | Replace all corroded fixings |  |  |
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| Swing Barrier | Very low | 5 | This item is satisfactory - no work required |  |  |  |
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| Play Panel XOXO | Very low | 5 | This item is satisfactory - no work required |  |  |  |
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| Play Panel Dial | Very low | 4 | There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item | Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers |  |  |
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| Spinner Bowl | Low | 6 | The bearing on the unit is dry | Service and lubricate the bearing(s) |  |  |
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| Spring Horse | Low | 6 | The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn  exposing the metal underneath which is rusting | Treat any rusting components and repaint |  |  |
|  |  |  | There is some minor damage to the surface | Monitor for  any further deterioration and repair as required |  |  |
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| Free standing slide | Low | 6 | There are a number of dents in the slide surface | Monitor  for any further deterioration and repair as required |  |  |
|  |  |  | There is surface corrosion / rust present on the item | Consider treating the item |  |  |
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| Multi Play (Junior) | Very low | 5 | This item is satisfactory - no work required |  |  |  |