

THORNLEY WITH WHEATLEY PARISH COUNCIL 21 MAY 2026

CLERK'S REPORT

1. Communications

The PC received an email from Ribble Valley Borough Council regarding the future of local government in Lancashire which provided details of the survey being undertaken regarding the proposal for a four unitary model. The email was forwarded to Councillors to give them the opportunity to take part.

An email was received from Lancashire County Council regarding identifying a small number of one-off projects that would benefit communities. The email was circulated to Councillors. Nothing was identified that would be suitable for our local community.

The PC was contacted by Longridge Town Council regarding Town Councillors comments about the speed on traffic along Chipping Road. The PC explained what it had done in the past to alert Highways Authority about it's and local residents concerns. The PC confirmed that it would support the Town Council in contacting Highways with regard to this issue.

2. General

Details of on-line training provided by the Information Commissioner's Office was forwarded to Councillors on 11 February 2026. Councillors were advised to look at the at the downloaded sets of supporting notes and the videos to provide them with an understanding of the key points in respect of data protection.

The Minutes of the Ribble Valley Area Committee meeting held on 25 March 2026 were forwarded to Councillors on 24 April for information.

Details of a presentation made to the Parish Councils' Liaison Committee was forwarded to Councillors on 21 April. The presentation explained the Net Zero Hubs which are funded by the Department of Energy Security and Net Zero, but act in local regions, rather than centrally. The Hubs' objectives, established in collaboration with the Department of Energy, Security and Net Zero, include an overarching objective to advance Great British Energy, Clean Power 2030, the Warm Homes Plan, and the Local Power Plan.

Details regarding Code of Conduct training for Councillors on 15 June was forwarded to Councillors on 7 May 2026.