

Report of	Meeting	Date
Chief Executive (Introduced by the Leader)	Council	18 <sup>th</sup> September 2007

## PARISH COUNCIL BY ELECTION

### PURPOSE OF REPORT

- To enable a by election to take place for the election of Councillors to Ulnes Walton Parish Council

### RECOMMENDATION(S)

- That the council exercise its powers to direct that a by election be held to fill current vacancies on Ulnes Walton Parish Council.

### CORPORATE PRIORITIES

- This report relates to the following Strategic Objectives:

Put Chorley at the heart of regional economic development in the central Lancashire sub region		Improved access to public services	
Improving equality of opportunity and life chance		Develop the character and feel of Chorley as a good place to live	
Involving People in their Communities	√	Ensure Chorley is a performing Organisation	

### BACKGROUND

- The Council has received a request from Ulnes Walton Parish Council to exercise its powers under section 39(4) of the Representation of the People Act 1983 to arrange a Parish Council by election. The Parish Council currently has two vacancies owing to having received insufficient nominations at the elections in May. The Parish Council had considered exercising its own powers to co-opt additional members and has received a number of expressions of interests from potential nominees. In the light of the interest that has been expressed, the Parish Council believes that fairness requires that an election should be held.

### IMPLICATIONS OF REPORT

- This report has implications in the following areas and the relevant Directors' comments are included:

Finance	√	Customer Services	
Human Resources		Equality and Diversity	
Legal	√		



## COMMENTS OF THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

6. The costs of holding an election will be charged to the Parish Council. A request has been received for the payments to be staged to enable the Parish to precept for those costs and this is acceptable.

## COMMENTS OF THE DIRECTOR OF CUSTOMER, DEMOCRATIC AND LEGAL SERVICES

7. The legal implications are described within the report

DONNA HALL  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

<b>Background Papers</b>			
<b>Document</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>File</b>	<b>Place of Inspection</b>
Letter from Clerk to Ulmes Walton Parish Council	13 <sup>th</sup> July 2007	Elections	Customer, Democratic and Legal Services, Town Hall

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