

WADWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WADWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 8th JULY 2021

Members present:

J Stevens
D Malyan
K Kirton

D Wright (Chairman)

P Oliver
T Choppin
L Slack

In attendance:

DMBC Councillors M Greenhalgh
2 x public

INTRODUCTION

The Chair presented a recognition award on behalf of the council to Maureen Fromont for her much valued community work in the village over many years, including over 25 years' service to the community centre.

ADDITIONAL ITEM – A request for a grant from Wadworth Cricket Club had been received just a couple of days before the meeting and had a deadline for a funding application of 16th July 2021. In view of the tight deadline and late notice, members **resolved** to suspend standing orders (order 9b) to discuss this item later in the meeting.

4268 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Nil.

4269 TO CONSIDER THE EXTENT, IF ANY, TO WHICH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS ARE TO BE EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING – Nil.

4270 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. Cllrs Oliver and Kirton declared an interest in the additional item mentioned above (non-pecuniary)

4271 MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. The following issues were raised by the public:

- a. Breedon Lorries – it was reported that lorries coming from Breedon's quarry were speeding on Church Road from 6am on a daily basis, with up to 9 lorries at a time seen. Complaints had been submitted to the quarry with no effect. It was agreed to check the original planning application to see if the hours of operating were in breach of the planning conditions.
- b. Wild flower area – see item 4273a below.
- c. Dog bins – it was felt additional dog bins were required around the village. The parishioner was informed such requests had previously been refused due to DMBC resources but another request would nevertheless be made.
- d. Village green trees – it was approaching the time when the walnut trees on the village green would be starting to fruit and last year suffered significant damage from 'visitors' picking the fruit – it was asked what could be done to prevent a repeat this year. The Clerk was to contact the tree/green owners, DMBC.

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4273 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a. **Item 4260a – High Street wild flower area update.** It was agreed to approach DMBC to seek permission for WPC to assume responsibility for this area, which could then be maintained by volunteers.
- b. **Item 4260b – Play area security.** The Chair was to meet with a potential contractor on 9th July to discuss options for fencing around the play area.
- c. **Item 4260c – Wadworth Public Rights of Way No.1 Repairs.** DMBC had been to inspect the path and judged that, whilst there was noticeable damage, there was no immediate danger and therefore repairs would be 'added to the list' for future maintenance work.
- d. **Item 4260d – Playground maintenance.** DMBC conducted quarterly inspections and had agreed to forward reports in future. The annual inspection had yet to be arranged.

4274 **WARD MEMBER UPDATE** Nothing significant to report.

4275 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- a. 21/00134/FUL - Creation of 4 ponds for wildlife - DRAFT - 3 Ponds At Parsons Carr Daw Lane Wadworth Doncaster – the council deferred a response to this application in lieu of obtaining more information.
- b. 21/01028/FUL - Erection of two storey side extension with canopy to the front and hard surface to front to provide for off street parking - 16 Newtree Drive Wadworth Doncaster – no comments.

4276 CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

- a. **Log of Outstanding Issues.** The Chair was to contact DMBC re the outstanding planning violations.
- b. **To discuss village speed signs.** Data had still to be received.
- c. **To discuss and verify the registration of council land assets.** All land appeared to be registered except the village hall car park.
- d. **To discuss Christmas arrangements.** It was agreed to continue with the large and small trees as in recent years, along with lights on the village green trees. The idea of a Christmas display somewhere prominent in the village was discussed but more research was required.
- e. **To discuss the introduction of a social media policy.** It was agreed to develop a council Facebook page, with Cllr Kirton to act as administrator. The page was not to go live however, until an agreed policy was in place which was hoped to be ratified at the next meeting.
- f. **To receive a CCTV update.** Nothing to report.
- g. **To discuss Neighbourhood Watch.** It was unsure whether such a scheme still existed in the village. It was felt such a scheme should not be a council lead but an article would be included in the next newsletter to see if anyone was interested in establishing one.
- h. **To discuss/adopt a new Code of Conduct for members.** A new model Code of Conduct for members had been developed by the National Association of Local Councils and distributed to members. Members were advised they would need to submit updated Registers of Interest if adopted. **Resolved: it was resolved to adopt the new Code of Conduct.**

ADDITIONAL ITEM

- i. Wadworth Cricket Club had applied for funding for a new artificial wicket at a total cost of £7295. For the bid to have a chance of success it required support and a 10% contribution from the council. It was felt the artificial wicket would increase use of the playing field and also participation in the sport, at a time when Wadworth CC was seeing a significant upturn in support. The fund bid, however, had a deadline of 16th July 2021.

Members were concerned the club had not approached the council before submitting their bid, but nevertheless **resolved** to contribute the required 10% funding (£730) and support the bid.

4277 FINANCIAL MATTERS

a. Accounts for Payment:

Resolved: that the following accounts are approved and passed for payment including a later received invoice from D Wright:

PAYEE	Chq No	Reason	INV NO	NET	VAT	TOTAL
Clerk	BACS	Salary – July 21	-	239.98	-	239.98
		Expenses:	-			
		Mileage (23@45p)		10.35		10.35
		Monthly printer fee		3.74	0.75	4.49
		Work at Home allowance		27.00		27.00
		<u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u>		<u>41.09</u>	<u>0.75</u>	<u>41.84</u>
		TOTAL TO CLERK				281.82
HMRC	BACS	Clerk PAYE – June 21	-	59.80	-	59.80
YLCA	BACS	Training – Choppin	-	30.00	-	30.00
DMBC	BACS	Village Hall rates	-	90.17	-	90.17
Microshade	BACS	Annual hosting fee		342.00	68.40	410.40
YLCA	BACS	Training – Choppin (2)		30.00	-	30.00
D Wright	BACS	Recognition award items		19.62	1.17	20.79
INCOME RECEIVED						
Fees recovery	BACS	June		25.00	-	25.00
Wadworth Sports		Pitch hire fees		56.00	-	56.00

- b. **To approve a bank reconciliation to end June 2021.** The bank reconciliation had been circulated to members. **Resolved:** that the bank reconciliation is noted.
- c. **To receive a budget update report.** The first quarter budget report was received and noted by members with nothing significant to report.

4278 TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS FROM THE FOLLOWING ITEMS OF BUSINESS. Nil

4279 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Next newsletter

Outdoor fitness equipment

4280 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Resolved: that the meeting of the Parish Council is held on **Thursday 9th September 2021, commencing at 7.00pm.**

Approved as a true record

Chair:

Dated: