

WADWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council
Held at the Community Centre
on Thursday 12th February 2009 commenced at 7.00pm

1440. Present

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| Councillor | Mr B. Roe (Chairman) |
| Councillor | Mr P. Oliver (Deputy Chairman) |
| Councillors | Mr D. Wright, Mr M. Leaney, Mrs. M. Fromont, Mr D. Fromont, Mrs S. B |
| DMBC | Ms D. John-Lewis (until 8.06pm) |
| SY Police | Mr D. Coulson, Mr Hyham (Until 7.15pm) |
| Parishioners | Mr J Stevens |

1441. Apologies For Absence

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| DMBC Councillor | Mrs B. Hoyle |
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Police Report

1442. There has been one reported crime since the last parish council meeting, a burglary at commercial premises. There have been no issues with youths, the recent severe weather is thought to have contributed to this.

1443. The only issue raised by the Wadworth area at the recent PACT meeting was youth nuisance, various initiatives and extra patrols have commenced to target problem areas in the village. Members noted that there had been little notice of the meeting. Sergeant Hyham noted that the meetings are a new initiative and that the Doncaster area was the only area to implement the meetings to the agreed timescale. He commented that future meetings will be better advertised and that the February one is already advertised and is on the SY police web site. Members asked that any patrol of the village include the area around the community centre as there are still issues with vandalism.

PC Coulson & Sergeant Hyham left the meeting at 7.15pm

Matters Raised By DMBC

1444. Ms John-Lewis reported that part of the flexible budget is to be used to fund children's activities during the school holidays. The February events are being held in Wadworth and Tickhill and will be used to judge interest and the kinds of activities that will be popular. The notice for the initiative is short, but they have been widely advertised in schools and the local area, however, the funding will be used in other areas if a particular area's events are not well attended. Ms John-Lewis to provide feedback on the success of the events.

1445. Members asked about the scheduling of street cleansing and the accumulation of leaves in some areas of the village. Ms John-Lewis confirmed that a fortnightly programme is in place, but that a specific leaf clearing programme is no longer carried out. Members asked why Old School Lane is no longer on the programme, but only swept by request. It was noted that some areas become less of a priority as residential areas expand. Ms John-Lewis to forward a copy of the cleansing schedule.

1446. Members asked for confirmation the DMBC owns the village green, there seems to be confusion as to whether the land is rented by DMBC or owned. Ms John-Lewis to advise.

1447. Members asked about the recent gritting schedule in the village, it appears that roads were only partially gritted. Ms John-Lewis to advise.

1448. DMBC are currently circulating a very simple questionnaire asking what individuals like or dislike about the area in which they live, copies are to be sent to the clerk and were circulated to members at the meeting.

1449. The no ball games sign on Wadworth Hall Lane has been reinstated.

1450. It was noted that there is an issue with fly tipping on Woods Lane and initiatives to prevent tipping are being discussed with the land owner. Members noted that there is also an issue with tipping on Whitecross Lane.

1451. DMBC are to look at the outstanding tree lopping along the snicket from Newtree Drive to the playing field

Proposed Play Area

1452. DMBC are about to launch a series of questionnaires and consultation events regarding the proposed refurbishment of the Osberton Street play area. A draft design was circulated at the meeting and members discussed the design, the following points were raised

The parish council objects to the proposed sand pit on the grounds that it will become contaminated as dogs foul the area and glass gets broken.

The parish council object to the proposed log seating and bench seating of any kind. They would ask that seating is either single or double and kept to a minimum to try and prevent the congregation of youths and possible anti social behaviour

The above comments to be forwarded to DMBC

Joint Charter

1453. Members noted that the Joint Charter is on the agenda for the next PCJCC meeting and that the initiative seems to be progressing. Members asked if the current questionnaire is linked to the joint charter initiative. Ms John-Lewis noted that the questionnaire is only to gain a snapshot of views and would not be posted to each household, generally postal surveys generate a poor response. The initiative is Doncaster wide and the aim to engage with the communities in the most appropriate way, some areas have active community groups which can be used as a conduit to the wider community in others it may be simply stopping people in the street is the most effective method.

Ms John-Lewis left the meeting at 8.06pm

1454. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 15th January 2009 were accepted as a true record and were authorised to be signed by the Chairman

1455. Minute 1436 was further clarified and it was noted that it would be at least a further 12 months before paper planning applications ceased.

Village Improvements

1456. No response has been received from ROSPA regarding the request to inspect the play equipment, other companies are to be contacted

1457. The floral basket containers have been returned to the parish council by DMBC

Correspondence

1458. Correspondence dealt with at the meeting

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| DMBC | Planning application - Grange Lane |
| DMBC | Planning application - Carr Lane |
| DMBC | Planning application - Inland Port (Passed to councillors) |

1459. General Correspondence

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| DMBC | By Email - Road works reports 18/01, 25/01 & 01/02 |
| DMBC | Public rights of way guide (Passed to Cllr Leaney) |
| DMBC | Sustainable Borough strategy |
| DMBC | Joint charter acceptance |
| DMBC | Changes to school transport |
| DMBC | Events diary |
| DMBC | Standards agenda 04/02 |
| DMBC | A60 hedges |
| YRCC | Country Air |
| YLCA | Village Ventures |
| Yorkshire Water | Invoice |
| Yorkshire Water | Invoice |
| Yorkshire Water | Invoice |
| SYLTE | Service changes |
| SY Fire & Rescue | Briefing |
| Nat West | Statements |

Planning Matters

1458. No objections were raised to the applications submitted for Grange Lane or Carr Lane

1460. The planning application for the Inland Port has been submitted, a copy on disk has been received and is to be reviewed by members before any objections or comments are made.

Matters Raised By Members

1461. Members noted that the proposed DMBC walkabout had not taken place and that the hedges on Whitecross Lane still need attending to. Clerk to report

1462. A draft report and questions to Woodland Trust regarding the Shrubbery area was circulated for comment and is to be forwarded to the clerk for posting.

1463. The crime prevention officer's report was discussed of the two options the only viable solution was to increase the security on the building, the other option of fencing would appear unsightly. Members to contact the officer for a schedule of required works and approved contractors in preparation for obtaining quotes

Financial Matters

1464. The cheques were authorised for payment

Next Meeting

1465. Due to other commitments Members agreed that future meetings would be held on the first Thursday of the month, rather than the current second Thursday

1466. The next meeting was confirmed as the 5th March 2009 at 7.00pm at the Community Centre Agenda to be distributed.

The Meeting closed at 9.00pm