

WADWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council

Held at the Community Centre

on Thursday 4th March 2010 commenced at 7.00pm

1747. Present

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| Councillor | Mr B. Roe (Chairman) |
| Councillor | Mr P. Oliver (Deputy Chairman) |
| Councillors | Mr M. Leaney, Mr D. Wright, |
| DMBC Councillor | Mr B Ford (Until 7.53pm) |
| Parishioner | Mr J. Stevens |

1748. Apologies For Absence

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| Councillors | Mrs S. Booth, Mr D. Fromont, Mrs M. Fromont |
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Matters Raised By Parishioners

1494. Members have received complaints of children playing in the car park of the Fox & Hounds, the property is temporarily closed.

1749. Members asked that the police be advised and if the matter continues a request be made to fence off the area.

1750. Concerns have been raised about parking on the junction of Main Street and Carr Lane, the area is considered unsafe and on occasion the school bus cannot navigate the junction. Police to be advised.

1751. A parishioner has requested traffic speed indicators be sited along Main Street. Members have requested such signs on several occasions. Matter to be discussed with DMBC again. The matter also to be raised at the next PACT meeting

1752. A junior football club has requested use of the pitch and pavilion, it is thought that there could be a clash with the adult team fixtures, further details to be requested.

Police Matters

1753. SY Police issued an update which was read to the meeting. A poster to be requested advertising the new police initiative. The main points of the update concerned the recent PACT priorities, fly tipping and general parking issues. It was noted that there has been a recent successful prosecution for fly tipping in the parish.

Matters Raised by DMBC Members

1754. The council tax increase has been agreed at a little under 3%. It is thought that a new initiative of working with the police is going well and things seem to be progressing in the area. The police have recently used the speed gun in the Wadworth area, some motorists have received warnings whilst others are to attend speed awareness courses or have received fines. It would appear the area has suffered less from pot holes caused by the bad weather than most and the ones that have been reported have been dealt with quickly. Members noted that the footpaths in the area have been in need of resurfacing for some time.

1755. Members asked about press speculation that 1600 new houses will be built on the Plantation Estate. DMBC Councillor Ford was unable to add any further information, although it is thought there has been discussion about further development in the area for many years. Councillor Ford to pursue the matter.

1756. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 4th February 2010 were accepted as a true record and authorised to be signed by the Chairman

Village Improvements

1757. The proposal to plant flowering Cherry trees on the green is still being discussed, it is thought DMBC are considering Walnut trees for the wrong area. The Cherry trees would ideally be sited along the road side. Matter to be clarified with DMBC. Members noted that some trees on the green need pruning. Matter to be reported to DMBC.

1758. The plastering work at the pavilion has been completed and the electrical work is expected to be completed in the next week. The second quote received between meetings was considered the better option and work authorised. It was noted that the pavilion would need redecorating once the work has been completed. The cricket club to be approached to help with the cost.

1759. The action taken between parish council meetings to repair the pavilion was approved by members.

1760. No further response has been received regarding the planters, clerk to prompt the matter.

1761. Members to create a notice advertising the proposed Maypole initiative for the notice board.

Correspondence

1762. Correspondence dealt with at the meeting

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| Mrs Clifton | Speed signs |
| DMBC | By Email - East area update (circulated previously) |
| DMBC | By Email - Play pitch strategy (agreed to reply to the survey) |
| DMBC | Neighbourhood Team - attendance at meetings |

1763. General Correspondence

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| DMBC | Road works reports 05/02, 12/02 & 19/02 |
| DMBC | By Email - Standards papers (PC) |
| DMBC | By Email - Standards papers |
| YLCA | Agenda & Minutes |
| YLCA | White Rose |
| YLCA | Membership renewal |
| YLCA | Branch meeting |
| SY Fire & Rescue | Briefing Note |
| N Power | Statement |
| Natwest | Statement |

1764. The NALC leadership academy training literature from February to be copied to members

DMBC Councillor Ford left the meeting at 7.53pm

Matters Raised By

The crash barriers on White Cross Lane and the A60 need repairing, matter to be reported to DMBC

Members 1765.

1766. Clerk to prompt DMBC on the Tofield Road bunding project

1767. A member of the parish council attended the recent TARA meeting, there was thought to be 11 residents, 3 committee members and 12 DMBC and SY Police representatives present. Items discussed included gritting and the provision of grit bins, tree pruning (possibly only on St Ledger property), dog bins, litter hotspots, the play area and traffic and parking issues. Members noted that many of the issues have been raised by the parish council previously, but with little success, it was also noted that TARA meetings seem better supported by DMBC than the parish council meetings, probably because they appear to be a DMBC initiative.

1768. The Neighbourhood Charter monitoring group has met and a report has been produced showing the best and worst performing areas on a on a quarterly basis

1769. A price to be obtained from DMBC for a community skip.

1970. Members raised the matter of available plots in Wadworth cemetery, a further letter is to be issued to the PCC asking for clarification of future plans

1771. Mr Stevens asked if the church clock could be attended to, it was noted that the clock has been broken for over a century.

Financial Matters

1772. The YLCA membership renewal has been received. Members agreed to renew membership for the year.

1731. It was noted that the previous months cheques had been written in the wrong cheque book. After discussion with the bank it was decided the best option was to allow the cheques to clear and reimbursement be made to Wentworth Parish Council.

1774. The cheques were authorised for payment

1775. The issue with the new electricity meter has been resolved with N Power and a credit balance now exists on the account.

1776. Next Meeting

The next meeting was confirmed as the 1st April 2010 at 7.00pm at the Community Centre, followed by the Annual Assembly at 8pm. Agendas to be distributed.

The Meeting closed at 8.25pm