

WADWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council Held at the Community Centre on Thursday 8th November 2007 - commenced at 7.01pm

1019. Present

Councillor	Mr B. Roe (Chairman)
Councillor	Mr P Oliver (Deputy Chair)
Councillors	Mr D. Fromont, Mr D. Wright, Mr M. Leaney, M. Fromont, Ms S. Booth
DMBC Councillor	Ms P. Bartlett (Until 8.25pm)

1020. Casual Vacancy

.Ms S Booth was proposed to fill the casual vacancy, the members confirmed by unanimous vote

1021. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 11th October 2007 were accepted as a true record and were authorised to be signed by the Chairman

Proposed Councillor Wright
Seconded Councillor Leaney

Police Report

1022. No report had been received from the police, it was noted there had been little police contact for several months. The members noted that the dog bin had been recently vandalised and that several incidents of youth nuisance around the sports pavilion had been reported. Clerk to report further instances of youth nuisance.

1023. The members requested that a letter be issued to the police asking about non attendance at meetings and lack of presence in the area

Matters Raised By DMBC Members

1024. A cross party panel is to be formed to discuss possible rates relief for the Robin Hood Airport.

1025. The light on Old School Lane has been repaired and the road swept, DMBC Councillor Bartlett to pursue the matter of regular maintenance and the blocked drains

1026. The bollards on the central refuge have been repaired, but the damaged ones on the pavement still look unsightly. DMBC Councillor Bartlett to pursue the matter

1027. Members complained that reported matters often remain outstanding for several months, DMBC Councillor Bartlett to pursue the matter

Proposed Play Area

1028. DMBC had replied to the request for a copy of the decision report regarding the proposed new play area stating that it is an internal document only and not for Parish Council perusal.

Sports Pavilion

1029. The electrical work has still not been completed. Clerk to pursue the matter

Playing Field Donation

1030. Members raised issues with the proposed transfer terms, the issue of the current pavilion building and any future buildings or structures are to be clarified.

1031. Members also requested clarification on the grassed area behind the pavilion and if it is being maintained as part of the parish council maintenance agreement with DMBC

1032. Members reported the boundary of the playing field with Church Lane is becoming overgrown, a quote for clearing is to be requested from DMBC

1033. Donation to WCCA

The annual contribution to the senior citizens Christmas party was discussed. A donation of £100 was agreed

Proposed Councillor Wright
Seconded Councillor Oliver

Spring Bulbs

1034. Members discussed the proposal to plant spring bulbs in the parish. It was decided that £100 should be used to purchase the bulbs.

Proposed Councillor Booth
Seconded Councillor Oliver

Carried by unanimous vote.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

1035. The Christmas tree is to be delivered 30th November and removed Monday 7th January

1036. The invoice for the floral baskets has been received, but incorrectly included a charge for the baskets, a further invoice is to be issued by DMBC

1037. DMBC have acknowledged that there are problems with the footpath surfaces on Windmill Drive and New Tree Drive, they are to be considered for maintenance in the new financial year.

Correspondence

1038. Correspondence dealt with at the meeting

DMBC	By Email - Officer decision report
DMBC	By Email - Windmill Drive footpaths
DMBC	Parish council vacancies
William Hoyland	Playing field transfer

1039. General Correspondence

DMBC	By Email - Road works reports 14/10, 21/10, 28/10 & 04/11
DMBC	By Email - acknowledgement of reported items
DMBC	Interim planning position statements consultation (Copied to member
DMBC	Parish Council sub committee agenda 27/09
DMBC	Borough strategy & local area agreement review (copied to member
YLCA	21st Century villages conference 03/11
YLCA	AGM Agenda 03/11
YLCA	Annual accounts
YLCA	AGM Minutes
YLCA	Information sheet
SYPT	Service changes
SYPT	National concessions
Nat West	Statements

1040. Members raised concerns that long, important consultation documents are perhaps being overlooked and the DMBC should consider including an executive summary. Councillor Wright to pursue the matter at the next parish councils sub committee meeting.

DMBC Councillor Bartlett left the meeting at 8.25pm

Matters Raised by Members

1041. Members discussed the possibility of a campaign to raise awareness about anti social behaviour and the need to report it to the police. It appears most simply accept it as they believe the police do little about the problem. Councillor Booth to contact the police to discuss the various options.

1042. Councillor Wright proposed that a copy of the minutes be sent to the post office and that the format be changed to exclude councillor's names.

Proposed Councillor Wright
Seconded Councillor Roe

1043. A complaint has been received about the allotments. Clerk to write to the tenant concerned.

1044. The Christmas lights were discussed, it was agreed that new bulbs be purchased for the existing lights, but that the issue of the power supply and the health and safety implications be put on the next agenda. Councillor Wright to discuss the problem with an electrician

Finance Matters

1045. The Cheques were approved for payment

1046. The internal audit process and check list was approved by members. Councillors Booth and Wright to form the internal review committee. External auditors are to be advised of the process.

1047. A preliminary budget had been prepared, Councillor Wright proposed that it be the first item on the December agenda

Next Meeting

1048. The next meeting was confirmed as the 13th December 2007 at 7.00pm at the Community centre. Agenda to be distributed.

The Meeting closed at 9.30pm