

**Minutes of the Meeting of Wadsworth Parish Council held at 7.30 pm at Hebden
Bridge Town Hall on Tuesday 22 March 2022**

- 139 MEMBERS PRESENT AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
Cllrs Kimber (Chair), Bradshaw, Dyson, Fowler, Heyworth and Rivero.
Apologies for Absence: Cllrs Sagar and Walsh.
- 140 MEMBERS INTERESTS:** None declared.
- 141 RESOLUTION TO RE-ORDER THE AGENDA:** None.
- 142 PUBLIC DISCUSSION TIME:**
Town Hall Consultation Project - question and answers with a representative from the Heritage Project. Issues discussed included:
Conservation repair and upgrading works
Development plan for original part of the grade 11 listed chamber and building
Potential use of basement
Accessibility improvements
Connectivity with new part of building
Greater community access
Potential schools' engagement project
Greater public access to Parish Council meetings
Potential use by Calderdale Council for community meetings
- 143 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON:**
22 February 2022
Resolved: that the above minutes be approved as a true and accurate record.
- 144 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE ABOVE MINUTES:**
- a) Anne Newsome Books
It was reported that the school is very grateful for the on-going donation.
Resolved: that the 2021-22 £100 and 2022-23 £100 donations be paid.
- b) Pecket Well speed awareness sign
As well as direct letter to Highways this was reported at the Safer Cleaner Greener meeting and a request made for the sign to be further up the hill, just outside the village.
- c) Further tyres and refuse dumping on Keighley Road above Pecket Well
It was reported that the situation was worse and a suggestion was made that this was maybe because Bradford Council had erected CCTV on their side of the border. It was further reported that Calderdale had agreed to consult with Bradford and erect a mobile CCTV camera.
- d) Water on track at Old Town Green
it was reported that this issue was now resolved with further works having taken place on 21.03.22.
- 145 LOCAL PLANS:**
- a) **Calderdale Council Local Plan update**
Nothing further to report.
- b) **Neighbourhood Plan**
Nothing further to report.
- 146 CLERK'S REPORT**
All covered under existing agenda items.

147 FINANCIAL MATTERS:

a) Items for payment:

i)	Salaries/PAYE	£551.63
ii)	Allowance and reimbursement:	
	- computer allowance	£20.00
	- home working allowance	£17.33
	- travel	£02.70
	- Total	<u>£40.03</u>
iii)	Stamps x 30 2 nd class - general use - C/Card	£19.80
iv)	Stamps x 30 2 nd class - Allot/PS/GP invoices - C/Card	£19.80
v)	HMRC VAT Q2 and Q3	£65.09

b) Financial reporting:

- i) Bank reconciliations (monthly)
- ii) Budget monitoring (quarterly)

c) **Grants:** No applications received.

d) National Joint Council for Local Government Services 2021-22 Pay Award

Resolved: that the payments be approved and the reports and pay award update received. A suggestion was made that more stamps should be purchased before the April price increase.

148 CORRESPONDENCE:

None received before agenda issued or covered under existing agenda items.

Additional correspondence after agenda issue:

a) NALC Smaller Councils Committee: Letter to smaller councils

Resolved: that the following issues be raised:

- i) That whilst acknowledging the budgetary cuts Calderdale has had to make, the views of the parish regarding planning applications are ignored by Calderdale
- ii) That there is a lack of consultation and response from Calderdale

ii) NALC: Briefing - Ukraine

Resolved: that Cllrs express their grave concerns regarding the current situation in Ukraine.

149 PLANNING:

a) New Applications received at time of agenda issue:

- i) **21/01396/FUL** Conversion of barn to form ancillary living accommodation to existing dwelling. Keelham Farm Dike Lane Old Town Hebden Bridge Calderdale HX7 8TG

Resolved: that that the Parish Council does not think the roof terrace is appropriate in this setting.

b) **Applications received after Agenda Issue:** None

c) Other Planning Issues:

- i) Extension at Barker Cote Farm

Resolved: that Cllr Kimber take a photo and that this be queried regarding planning permission with Calderdale.

- 150 ROAD AND FOOTPATH MATTERS:**
a) Lack of progress with **Haworth Old Road TRO**
Resolved: that a further letter be sent to Craig Whittaker, with a copy sent to Tim Swift, Steven Lee and Cllr Scullion.
- 151 ALLOTMENTS, PARKING SPACES AND GARAGES**
An update was provided including the fact that there were currently two garage plots and two parking spaces available to rent.
- 152 PLAYGROUNDS:**
a) Bi-weekly inspections
Resolved: that Cllrs Fowler and Kimber carry out the bi-weekly inspections.
b) Painting of Old Town Green play area equipment update
Resolved: that the update be received.
c) Roundabout at Pecket Well play area not turning properly.
Resolved: that the issue with the roundabout be reported to the maintenance contractors.
- 153 COUNCIL LAND MATTERS**
a) Carr Head tree works
Resolved: that the grant application be checked regarding the possibility of a footpath through the site and this be reported to the next meeting:
b) Annual inspection of assets.
c) It was reported that this was carried out on 17.03.22.
Resolved: that a quote be sought for a replacement bench at Pecket Well Memorial Garden.
- 154 CLIMATE CRISIS – PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE**
i) production of Climate Action Plan update.
ii) Carbon impact assessment update.
iii) HRTC Climate Emergency and Biodiversity Coordinator invite update.
Resolved that: the update be received.
- 155 REPRESENTATIVES AT OUTSIDE MEETINGS**
a) Old Town School Governors meeting.
The school are still waiting for an Ofsted inspection date.
b) Wadsworth Community Association. A written report was received from Cllr Sagar.
i) **Jubilee event - Wadsworth United**
Thursday 2 to Sunday 5 June. Arts Council England “Lets Create Jubilee” fund applied for to cover approximately 50% of the event costs. Events to be focussed on the Community Centre and Old Town Green.
Next organising committee meeting Monday 4 April.
ii) **Wadsworth Summer 2022 Youth Activities**
Early-stage plans for a series of youth events in the summer vacation.
iii) **Benefit for Ukraine - Saturday 26 March**
Featuring local rhythm and blues band The 844s, all proceeds from event to go to the DEC Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal with the aim to raise £1,000.
- 156 DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING & APOLOGIES IN ADVANCE**
26.04.22 **The Annual Meeting of the Parish**

26.04.22 7pm Wadsworth Community Centre
Wadsworth Parish Council April meeting
Wadsworth Community Centre
To begin at the rise of the above meeting.

The meeting closed at 9.05 pm

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