

**Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Wadsworth Parish Council 7.30pm Hebden Bridge
Town Hall 28 June 2022**

21 MEMBERS PRESENT AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs Kimber (Chair), Fowler, Rivero, Sagar and Walsh.

Apologies for Absence: Cllrs Bradshaw, Dyson and Heyworth.

22 MEMBERS INTERESTS: None declared.

23 RESOLUTION TO RE-ORDER THE REMAINING PART OF THE AGENDA: None

24 PUBLIC DISCUSSION TIME: None

**25 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON:
28 June 2022.**

It was noted that Cllr Bradshaw attended the Safer, Cleaner Greener meeting in Cllr Kimber's place (item 19).

Resolved: that the above minutes, with the above correction, be approved as a true and accurate record.

26 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE ABOVE MINUTES: None

27 LOCAL PLANS:

a) **Calderdale Council Local Plan update.** Nothing to report.

b) **Neighbourhood Plan.** Nothing to report.

28 CLERK'S REPORT: All covered under existing agenda items.

29 FINANCIAL MATTERS:

a) **Items for payment:**

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i) Salaries/PAYE £561.17

ii) Allowance and reimbursement:

- computer allowance £20.00

- home working allowance £17.33

- Travel £2.70

Total: £40.03

iii) Stamps: 8 x 2nd class large letter £8.40

iv) Printing paper £5.40

v) Pennine Pens – Gov emails set up + 2 years Reg £336.00

vi) S Bradshaw – weedkiller (for Japanese Knotweed) £8.99

vii) SLCC Membership 22-23 £134.00

Resolved: to approve the above payments.

b) **Financial reporting**

i) Bank reconciliations (monthly) association

ii) Budget monitoring (quarterly)

iii) VAT Return (quarterly)

Resolved: to receive the financial reports

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

30 Correspondence: None received at publication of agenda.

After agenda issue:

a) Old Town Primary School: Grass cutting at school muster point

Resolved: that a land registry search be carried out to ascertain ownership of the grass area at Old Mill Ridge and that the school be updated.

31 PLANNING:

- a) **New Applications:** None received at publication of agenda
- b) Applications received after publication of the agenda:
 - i) **17 00682-FUL** Conversion and restoration of farmhouse, cottages and barns to form six dwellings (Amended plans) - Old Town Farm Old Town Mill Lane Old Town HX7 8SW
Resolved that: in principle the parish council is in favour of the development, and that it has increased from five to six dwellings. The parish council also notes that the issues of ownership and maintenance of Old Town Mill Lane was not addressed in relation to the Old Town Mill conversion and that the parish council is concerned that an additional development will further increase maintenance issues on the road, unless this can be resolved.
- c) Other planning matters: None

32 ROAD AND FOOTPATH MATTERS:

- a) **Proposed Clearway at Haworth Old Road**
Resolved: to write to Cllr Tim Swift (leader of Calderdale Council) and Craig Whittaker (MP) and copy-in the Ward Cllrs regarding this on-going issue. Further noting that similar issues in relation to Gaddings Dam have successfully been resolved.
- b) **Accidents on Keighley Road**
Resolved: to write to Calderdale Council and Highways England to request a comparison between the accidents that have taken place in the two years prior to the safety improvement works and the two years since. From Oct 2018 to Oct 2022.
- d) **Tyres on Keighley Road and Heights Road**
It was noted that the tyres had been removed from Heights Road but that there were still tyres on Keighley Road.

33 ALLOTMENTS, PARKING SPACES AND GARAGES

- a) **Carr Head 2 - Garages 3 and 4**
Resolved that: the tenant at plot 3 could swap to plot 4. It was also noted that a resident is interested in the remaining garage plot.
- b) **Flying of Flags on Allotment Sites**
It was noted that a large flag was currently flying at one of the Carr Head allotments. It was presumed this was in relation to the Jubilee.
Resolved that: this be a watching brief.

34 PLAYGROUNDS:

- a) **Bi-weekly inspections.**
Resolved that: Cllrs Fowler and Kimber carry out the bi-weekly inspections.
- b) **Himalayan Balsam**
It was noted that Himalayan Balsam was encroaching on the playground at the slide.
Resolved that this be raised at the Wadsworth Environment group meeting on 2 July.

35 COUNCIL LAND MATTERS

- a) **Flood store**
It was noted that the flood store was now in place and that there may be a small charge for the concrete flags.
- b) **Replacement daffodils at Old Town Green**
Resolved that Dave Ring be contacted regarding the replacement daffodils.
- c) **Volunteers working on parish council land**

Resolved that volunteers could only carry out work on parish council land if they were members of Wadsworth Environment group, and that the works had been agreed by the group and by the council.

d) Woodland visit and correspondence

Resolved that the information be received and that Carr Head woodland be regularly monitored.

36 CLIMATE EMERGENCY – PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

a) Climate Action Report

b) Climate Action Plan

c) Rural Councils Carbon Comparisons

Resolved that the Climate Action Report and Plan be adopted and that the three main actions that the council would focus on were:

- Through procurement, ensure the parish council supply chain is minimising carbon emissions.
- Encourage and support schools to cut carbon e.g. through participating in the LESS CO2 programme and through accessing Salix finance.
- Increase tree cover on council owned land and on streets; update local planning strategies to encourage nature-based solutions such as increasing tree cover across the council area.

37 COUNCIL LOGO

Resolved: that Cllr Sagar convert the logo pdf to a jpeg.

38 REPRESENTATIVES AT OUTSIDE MEETINGS

Resolved: to formally thank the Jubilee Celebrations Committee and the organisers of the Walking Market.

39 DATE OF NEXT MEETING & APOLOGIES IN ADVANCE

26 July 2022 at Hebden Bridge Town Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm

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