

Minutes of the July Meeting of Wadsworth Parish Council
7.30pm Hebden Bridge Town Hall 26 July 2022

40 MEMBERS PRESENT AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

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

Apologies for Absence: Cllrs Bradshaw and Dyson.

41 MEMBERS INTERESTS: None declared.

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

43 PUBLIC DISCUSSION TIME: None

**44 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON:
28 June 2022.**

Resolved: that the above minutes, with the following correction to the title - removal of the word 'Annual', be approved as a true and accurate record.

45 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE ABOVE MINUTES: All covered under existing agenda items.

46 LOCAL PLANS:

a) **Calderdale Council Local Plan update**

It was reported that the Local Plan would be re-submitted for public consultation from the end of July till September. The main change being that there was now pressure for more housing development on greenbelt sites. Also, there was an increased push for low-cost housing.

Resolved: to receive the report and to encourage all Cllrs and residents to take part in the consultation.

b) **Neighbourhood Plan**

A meeting had been held and it was agreed that as soon as the Local Plan consultation was complete the Neighbourhood Plan group would meet again. It was further noted that no Hebden Royd Town Council Cllrs were in attendance at the meeting.

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

48 FINANCIAL MATTERS:

a) **Items for payment:**

a) Items for payment:	
i) Salaries/PAYE	£561.17
ii) Allowance and reimbursement:	
- computer allowance	£20.00
- home working allowance	£17.33
- Travel	£2.70
Total:	<u>£40.03</u>
iii) ICO - Data protection fee - Direct Debit payment	£35.00

Resolved: to approve the above payments and to check whether the Open Spaces magazine could be accessed digitally.

b) **Financial reporting**

i) Bank reconciliations (monthly) association

ii) Budget monitoring (quarterly) To be reported at the August meeting.

iii) VAT Return (quarterly)

Resolved: to receive the financial reports and to note that the VAT return had been

completed in compliance with the new HMRC digital format.

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

49 Correspondence: None received at publication of agenda.

After agenda issue:

a) NALC: Consultation on short term holiday lets

Resolved: that the completed consultation exercise be submitted.

b) Calderdale: Cost of Living Crisis

Resolved: to note the information, add it to the website with a note in the noticeboards and Pecket Well community phone box. Also, that Cllrs make the information available to residents as appropriate.

c) Hebden Bridge Community Association: Hebden Bridge Town Hall consultation.

Resolved: to note and attend as appropriate the members consultation event at 4.00-6.30 Thursday 4 August Hebden Bridge Town Hall.

50 PLANNING:

a) **New Applications:** None received at publication of agenda

b) Applications received after publication of the agenda: None

c) **Other Planning Issues**

i) Little Nook

It was noted that the site had been tidied

51 ROAD AND FOOTPATH MATTERS:

a) **Proposed Clearway at Haworth Old Road**

Resolved: to note the new parking permit proposal including the fact that most residents appeared in favour of the current proposal and that the hope was that it would be implemented as soon as possible. It was further noted that there had been further issues at Lumb Falls over the previous hot weekend.

b) **Ackroyd Lane hedging overhanging the road**

Resolved: to check and re-request action in relation to this issue.

d) **Accidents at Cock Hill, Keighley Road**

Concerns were raised at the Safer Cleaner Greener meeting that the number of accidents had increased since the completion of the improvement works.

Furthermore, it was reported that two accidents had taken place within the last week.

Resolved that:

i) Cllr Kimber write to Calderdale Cllr Jane Scullion.

ii) the planned October freedom of information request include Bradford Council.

iii) the website [CrashMap - UK Road Safety Map](#) be consulted.

iv) contact is made with Oxenhope Village Council regarding this issue.

d) **CROWS work in the Parish**

It was noted with gratitude that CROWS had been carrying out footpath improvement works within the parish.

52 ALLOTMENTS, PARKING SPACES AND GARAGES

Nothing to report.

53 PLAYGROUNDS:

a) **Bi-weekly inspections.**

Resolved that: [Cllrs Fowler](#) and [Kimber](#) carry out the bi-weekly inspections.

b) Himalayan Balsam

Resolved that the Environment group be thanked for their work removing this at Pecket Well recreation ground

54 COUNCIL LAND MATTERS

a) **Noticeboards**

Resolved that: a request be made for minor improvement works and that methods to tackle the condensation be investigated.

b) **Leak at Old Town Green**

Resolved that: Cllr Heyworth carry out some initial investigative works.

c) **Procedure for use of Wadsworth Parish Council land**

Resolved that: a policy be produced and Calderdale be contacted re their licensing procedure. Cllr Sagar to provide the relevant contact.

e) **Replacement daffodils**

It was reported that the payment of £200 had been received from Northern Gas Works.

Resolved that this funding be passed on to Wadsworth Environment Group.

e) **CMBC annual maintenance contract.**

Resolved that the maintenance details be received and Calderdale be contacted regarding the request that the parish council be asked prior to any changes in the service.

f) **Smeekin Hill Centenary**

Resolved to add this item to the August agenda.

55 CLIMATE EMERGENCY – PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

a) **Hebden Royd Climate & Biodiversity News**

Resolved that Cllrs promote the energy efficiency/home insulation grant scheme whereby residents with household incomes below £30,000 can receive 100% grants for home insulation.

56 STAFFING COMMITTEE UPDATE

Resolved: that the Staffing Committee meet before the August meeting.

57 OLD TOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL MUSTER POINT

Resolved: that Cllr Kimber speak to the Headteacher regarding this issue.

58 COUNCIL MEETING ROOM DECISION

Resolved: that the Council continue to use the Terrace Room for meetings bar the Annual meeting which should be held in the Council Chamber.

59 REPRESENTATIVES AT OUTSIDE MEETINGS

a) **Old Town Primary School**

Cllr Fowler reported that OFSTED had inspected Old Town School and the report would be published in the Autumn term.

b) **Wadsworth Community Association**

i) the AGM would be taking place in September.

ii) the association was looking to rent approximately one acre of land for a market garden.

ii) ex Cllr Mavis Ring's celebratory lunch was a great success.

c) **Calderdale Council's Safer Cleaner Greener 18.07.22**

Cllr Kimber attended this meeting.

d) **Calder Ward Forum 06.07.22**

Cllr Sagar attended this meeting

60 DATE OF NEXT MEETING & APOLOGIES IN ADVANCE

23 August 2022 at Hebden Bridge Town Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.20 pm

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