

Minutes of the Meeting of Wadsworth Parish Council 7.30pm Hebden Bridge Town Hall
22 August 2023

53 MEMBERS PRESENT AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

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

Apologies for Absence: Cllrs Bradshaw, Dyson and Walsh

54 PROCEDUAL MATTERS

a) **Members interests:** None declared

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

56 PUBLIC DISCUSSION TIME: None

57 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON: 25 July 2023

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

58 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE ABOVE MINUTES:

Agreed to write to local MP in relation to ticket office closure concerns and provide copy to Cllrs.

59 LOCAL PLANS:

a) **Calderdale Council Local Plan:** It was reported that as the plan was now complete, this would no longer be a standing agenda item.

b) **Neighbourhood Plan:** It was reported that the next meeting would take place on 11.09.23

c) **Calderdale Climate Action Plan update**

i) Power Calderdale Project – emailed to Cllrs 8.08.23

ii) Calderdale Action Plan newsletter – emailed to Cllrs 22.08.23

Resolved that: the above information be received.

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

61 FINANCIAL MATTERS:

a) **Items for payment:**

i) Salaries/PAYE £639.17

ii) Allowance and reimbursement:

- computer allowance £20.83

- home working allowance £18.58

- Travel £2.70

Total: £42.11

iii) Excess postage fee £1.50

iv) Pennine Pens – email addresses £95.00

v) Defibrillators' insurance £56.00

vi) Information Commissioners Office renewal £35.00

b) **Financial reporting**

i) Bank reconciliations (monthly)

ii) Budget monitoring (quarterly)

iii) VAT Return (quarterly)

Resolved to: approve the payments and receive the financial reports.

c) **Local Community Grants:** to consider:

It was reported that the Post Office was considering applying for a grant towards an access ramp. It was further reported that grants cannot be given to businesses but that Calderdale Community Foundation may be able to help.

d) **Consideration of higher interest and ethical savings bank accounts.**

Resolved to: defer this agenda item until the next meeting.

62 **CORRESPONDENCE:** All covered under existing items.

63 **PLANNING:**

a) **New Applications:** None received at agenda issue.

b) **Applications received after publication of the agenda:**

i) **23-00654-HSE** Two storey garage/workshop. Little Nook Farm. Dike Lane. Old Town. HX7 8TS

Resolved to: object on the following grounds:

- that the building materials are inappropriate in that location.
- concern that it would become an Airbnb as this has happened in relation to other outbuildings in the Parish.

c) **Other:** None

64 **ROAD, FOOTPATH AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT MATTERS:**

a) Calderdale Council: Pecket Well vehicle activated sign update.

Resolved to: note the correspondence and that Cllr Kimber should raise this matter at the next Cleaner Safer Greener meeting.

b) Old Town Mill Lane sign and pot holes.

Resolved to: report this in the usual manner and that Cllr Kimber ask local resident if they have copies of the paperwork referring to maintenance and upkeep of the road

c) Parking at Haworth Old Road update.

Resolved to: note the update.

d) Parking on yellow lines at Pecket Bar

Resolved that: Cllr Kimber raise this matter at the next Cleaner Safer Greener meeting.

e) Land drain over flowing on left hand side of Keighley Road 25m before Crimsworth Lane above Pecket Well.

Resolved that: Cllr Kimber provide a photo showing the drainage issue and one showing the wider surroundings and that this then be reported.

65 **ALLOTMENTS, PARKING SPACES AND GARAGES:**

a) Access to allotments at Pecket Bar

Resolved that: Cllr Fowler talk to the resident concerned.

b) Electricity to garages update

Resolved that: the update be noted

c) Garage at site G11 Carr Head 1

Resolved that:

i) a reply be drafted to the first resident on the waiting list.

ii) the garage be offered to the next resident on the waiting list and that the potential maintenance and repair issues in relation to the current garage on the site be pointed out.

66 **PLAYGROUNDS:**

a) **Bi-weekly inspections**

Resolved that: Cllrs Fowler and Kimber carry out the bi-weekly inspections.

b) Painting of play equipment at Old Town Green.

Resolved that: Cllrs Kimber talk to the contractor re timescales.

67 **COUNCIL LAND MATTERS**

a) **Wadsworth Community Centre lease renewal**

Resolved that:

- i) to note that lease renewal and a similar peppercorn rent has been agreed in principle
- ii) Cllr Kimber speak to a local lawyer living in the Parish to get some initial legal advice re the wording of the new lease.

c) **Access to Old Town Green**

Resolved that:

- i) a quote be requested from B Dean for the removal of the concrete secondary barrier at Walker Lane and that a longer wooden replacement barrier be set further back from the entrance to allow wheelchair access.
- ii) once received a grant request be made to Calderdale Community Foundation.

68 GOVERNMENT EMAIL ADDRESS UPDATE

Resolved that: the Parish Council pay a monthly subscription (currently 7.99 per month) for Microsoft Office so that the software is the property of the council and that the new council email address can be used in conjunction with Microsoft Outlook.

69 WAINSGATE CHAPEL BURIAL GROUND UPDATE

Resolved to: write again but this time to a specific committee member expressing the council's concerns over the decision to close the graveyard to new burials.

70 REPRESENTATIVES AT OUTSIDE MEETINGS

a) West Yorkshire Combined Transport Forum 14.08.23

Cllrs Kimber and Heyworth attended the meeting and reported back on the long-term transport strategy for Calderdale

Resolved to: receive the above report.

71 FUTURE OUTSIDE MEETING DATES

a) Wadsworth Community Association AGM Friday 15.09.23

72 DATE OF NEXT MEETING & APOLOGIES IN ADVANCE

19.09.2023 NOTE: change of meeting date

The meeting closed at 21.30 pm

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