

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WADWORTH PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY 13TH FEBRUARY 2025**

Members present: D Malyan (Chair), P Oliver (Vice-Chair), T Choppin, K Kirton, D Wright
In attendance: Nil

4815 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Cllr Edwards - accepted

4816 TO CONSIDER THE EXTENT, IF ANY, TO WHICH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS ARE TO BE EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING – Nil

4817 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. Nil

4818 MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. Nil.

4819 TO CONSIDER ANY APPLICATIONS FOR THE CASUAL VACANCY

No applications for the vacancy had been received for members to consider.

4820 MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WADWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 9TH JANUARY 2025 –Approved as a true record subject to item 4811e being amended to read, '**Resolved:** the budget for 2025/26 was approved and it was resolved that the precept for 2025/26 would increase by 4.76% to £22,000.'

4821 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a. **Item 4807a – Council email/website domain change – update.** One councillor was still having issues getting started with the new email account. Ongoing.
- b. **Item 4807b – Wadworth Wood meeting – update.** Nothing significant to report – item moved to log of outstanding issues.
- c. **Item 4807c – Village Hall survey – update.**
 - i. A section of vinyl flooring had been removed to inspect the original flooring underneath and all looked in good order. The next stage was to look at options to remove all the vinyl flooring and restore the original wood flooring to a good condition. Quotes were awaited for floor repairs and dehumidifiers.
 - ii. Following removal of shrubs and a shed from the rear of the hall, the boundary wall was found to be in need of repair but ownership of the wall needed to be clarified before further action.
- d. **Item 4807d – Village Burial Space – update.** DMBC Cllr Greenhalgh offered to make enquiries within DMBC to explore whether an extension to the churchyard on to DMBC land was possible.
- e. **Item 4807e – Play Area Closure – update.** No date yet arranged for closure but was likely to be some time in March. Ongoing.
- f. **Item 4810f – Cricket Safety Nets – update.** An initial quote of £4700 (net) had been received for a 6m high netted fence but it was not clear whether this would be sufficient to satisfy insurance and therefore advice was required as to whether a professional survey was required or not.

4822 WARD MEMBER UPDATE. Cllr Greenhalgh advised that he was now the sole Ward Councillor for the area until the elections in May. Fly-tipping continues to be an issue and is addressed when reported. A grant had been awarded to install a hand rail at the church steps, to be installed by 14th Feb 25.

4823 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED BY DONCASTER BOROUGH COUNCIL SINCE THE LAST MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL:

- a) 25/00065/PDTEL - Notification to utilise permitted development rights in accordance with Regulation 5 of the Electronic Communications Code (Conditions and Restrictions) Regulations 2003 (as amended) - removal and replacement of 2no cabinets with associated ancillary works thereto - 75088/DON011/Blackbird/CT - Telecommunication Mast SYK7038 Daw Lane Wadworth

Members had no comments on the above planning application.

4824 CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

- a. **Log of Outstanding Issues.** The horse crossing signs had now been installed on the main road through the village near Carr Lane.
- b. **Social media report.** Nothing significant to report.
- c. **Allotments report.** A quote of c.£1350 (plus cost of a drainpipe) had been received to install drainage on the allotments. Due to a lack of an alternative quote and previous work carried out in the area by the contractor, members **resolved** to accept the quote without further quotations.
- d. **Community speedwatch report.** No speedwatch activity had been carried out recently.
- e. **Biodiversity Report.** Member absent – nothing to report.
- f. **To discuss the Regional Training Day – Talking Tables 21st Mar 25.** Cllr Wright wished to attend the training day at a cost of £70. Approved.
- g. **To discuss speeding on Windmill Drive.** Members had received several reports of perceived speeding on Windmill Drive by multiple vehicles. As a result, the Chair had posted on the council Facebook page reminding residents of the 20mph speed limit in residential areas of the village, not just on Windmill Drive. Future concerns should be reported to the police.

4825 FINANCIAL MATTERS

a. Accounts for Payment:

Resolved: that the following accounts are approved and passed for payment including a late received invoice from APM Property Services Ltd:

PAYEE	Chq No	Reason	INV NO	NET	VAT	TOTAL
Staff	BACS	Salary – Jan 25	-	325.02	-	325.02
		Expenses:	-			
		Mileage (23@45p)		10.35		10.35
		Monthly printer fee		0.00	0.00	0.00
		Work at Home allowance		27.00		27.00
		Consumables		98.46	19.69	118.15
		<u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u>		<u>135.81</u>	<u>19.69</u>	<u>155.50</u>
		<u>TOTAL</u>				<u>480.52</u>

HMRC	BACS	PAYE – Jan 25	-	81.20	-	81.20
SSE	Dir Debit	Sports pavilion electricity		40.60	2.03	42.63
Ridgeline Roofing	BACS	Village Hall roof repairs		5666.67	1133.37	6800.00
DMBC	BACS	Q3 grounds maintenance		38.92	7.78	46.70
2A Services	BACS	Speed sign data collection		130.00	26.00	156.00
APM Property Services	BACS	Village hall floor investigation, removal of shrubs/waste etc.		325.00	65.00	390.00
INCOME RECEIVED						
Fees recovery	BACS	January		25.00	-	25.00
DMBC	BACS	Ward grant		204.00	-	204.00

- b. To approve a bank reconciliation to end January 2025.** The bank reconciliation had been circulated to members. **Resolved:** that the bank reconciliation is noted.

4826 TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS FROM THE FOLLOWING ITEMS OF BUSINESS. Nil

4827 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA – Nil

4828 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Resolved: that the meeting of the Parish Council is held on **Thursday 13th March 2025, commencing at 7.00pm.**

Approved as a true record

Chair:

Dated: