

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

Members present: D Malyan (Chair), P Oliver (Vice-Chair), K Kirton

In attendance: 1 x public, DMBC Cllr Greenhalgh

4829 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Cllrs Choppin, Edwards and Wright - accepted

4830 TO CONSIDER THE EXTENT, IF ANY, TO WHICH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS ARE TO BE EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING – Nil

4831 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. Nil

4832 MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. Nil.

4833 MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WADWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 13TH FEBRUARY 2025 –Approved as a true record.

4834 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a. **Item 4821a – Council email/website domain change – update.** Nothing significant to report. Item to be removed from agenda due to elections in May.
- b. **Item 4821c – Village Hall survey – update.** Still awaiting quotes for work. Ongoing.
- c. **Item 4821d – Village Burial Space – update.** Cllr Greenhalgh advised that DMBC's Director for Economy and Development had offered assistance with the process to possibly expand the church grounds on to the corner of the village green to accommodate additional burial space. Ongoing.
- d. **Item 4821e – Play Area Closure – update.** Still no date confirmed, expected to be late march/early April.
- e. **Item 4821f – Cricket Safety Nets – update.** It was proposed to meet with Wadworth Cricket Club to discuss the idea of safety nets further. Cllrs Malyan and Oliver to represent the council. It was also unclear whether or not planning permission would be required for any nets – Clerk to check with DMBC.

4835 WARD MEMBER UPDATE. Cllr Greenhalgh advised that DMBC had recently appointed a new area co-ordinator for the area – Richard Lewis. He was also in the process of receiving detailed guidance how to proceed with adding names to the village war memorial. Members publicly thanked Cllr Greenhalgh with his help in resolving recent large amounts of fly-tipping in the area.

4836 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED BY DONCASTER BOROUGH COUNCIL SINCE THE LAST MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL:

Received after publication of agenda

- a. 25/00273/TCON - T1 Prunus - Ganoderma - remove to ground. T2 and T3 - Small Prunus and Laburnum - Poor form and condition, lean over adjacent driveway - Remove to ground. - The Vicarage Vicarage Drive Wadworth

Members had no comments on the above planning application, however the Chair was to liaise with the vicar to confirm the exact trees to be affected.

4837 CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

a. Log of Outstanding Issues.

- i. Car Park Land Registration. The registration of the village hall car park under the council's ownership with the Land Registry was almost complete with the award of 'possessory title' over the land. The solicitors advised taking insurance against possible future issues over the title at a cost of £92 – approved.
- ii. Hand Rail to Church Steps. The hand rails had now been installed. Thanks were expressed to DMBC Cllr Greenhalgh for his efforts in supporting this project. Item complete.
- iii. Wadworth Wood Footpaths. Work had been undertaken at the end of Short Gate that had made a complete mess of the area. The wood owners however, were unaware of who had carried out this work and why, and were now investigating.

b. **Social media report.** Nothing significant to report.

c. **Allotments report.** Allotment rents invoices for FY25-26 had recently been issued. One tenant had, despite numerous reminders, still to sign a tenancy agreement and had been advised the rent would not be renewed unless a tenancy agreement was signed. Drainage work was due to commence later this month and a neighbour had given permission for overhanging trees from his property to be trimmed on the allotment side.

d. **Community speedwatch report.** Speed monitoring session had recommenced this month and new, permanent signs were now in place.

e. **Biodiversity Report.** Nothing to report (member absent). Thanks were expressed to Cllr Oliver and John Stevens for the daffodils planted in the village which looked superb.

4838 FINANCIAL MATTERS

a. Accounts for Payment:

Resolved: that the following accounts are approved and passed for payment including a late received invoice from DMBC, D Malyan and Ilett & Clark:

PAYEE	Chq No	Reason	INV NO	NET	VAT	TOTAL
Staff	BACS	Salary – Feb 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		0.00	0.00	0.00
		<u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u>		<u>37.35</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>37.35</u>
		<u>TOTAL</u>				<u>362.37</u>
HMRC	BACS	PAYE – Feb 25	-	81.20	-	81.20
Business Stream	Dir Debit	Allotments water		12.69	0.00	12.69
Business Stream	Dir Debit	Pavilion water		27.58	0.00	27.58
DMBC	BACS	Handrail for church steps		170.00	34.00	204.00

D Malyan	BACS	Donation to village shop for Xmas tree lights electricity		120.00	-	120.00
Ilett & Clark	BACS	Possessory title insurance re village hall car park		92.00	-	92.00
INCOME RECEIVED						
Fees recovery	BACS	February		25.00	-	25.00

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

4839 TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS FROM THE FOLLOWING ITEMS OF BUSINESS. Nil

4840 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA – 80th anniversary of VE Day event

4841 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Resolved: that the meeting of the Parish Council is held on **Thursday 10th April 2025, commencing at 7.00pm.**

Approved as a true record

Chair:

Dated: