

## **Minutes**

### **Attendees**

Cllr Haggart, Cllr Stafford, Cllr Storer, Cllr Mee

Public: – 1 (Gillian Squires - NWLDC Officer)

District/County Councillor – None

### **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATE: Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2024, 6.00pm**

#### **026/2024 APOLOGIES**

Council to receive and resolve to accept any apologies

**None**

#### **027/2024 LOCAL POLICING REPORT**

Council to receive crime figures from the police, and any updates on community policing.

**None**

#### **028/2024 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

An opportunity for the public to raise issues or concerns with the Council on matters listed on the Agenda. (Decisions cannot be made on these matters, but can be discussed and raised on the agenda at the next available meeting. Speakers are invited by the Chair and may speak for 3 minutes. Matters not listed can be raised at the discretion of the Chair)

**None**

#### **029/2024 UPDATE FROM DISTRICT/COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

Council to receive updates from District/County Councillors

**None**

### **Closure of the Public session.**

Members of the public may remain to observe but can take no further part in the council meeting.

#### **030/2024 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillors to declare any personal or prejudicial or non-pecuniary interests on items listed on the agenda for discussion.

**Cllr Haggart declared an interest in agenda item 045/2024  
Additional Planning application**

- 031/2024 MINUTES**  
Council to agree the minutes from the May 2024 meeting  
**Proposed and seconded**  
**Accepted as a true and correct record of the meeting**
- 032/2024 2023/2024 AGAR**  
**Annual Governance Accountability Return**
- Council to receive AGAR  
**Received**
- Council to receive Internal Audit Report  
**Noted – No concerns raised**
- Council to complete Annual Governance Return  
**Council agreed the statements – chair/clerk signed**
- Council to confirm Public Inspection Dates  
**Agreed**
- Council to confirm Exemption Status  
**Agreed – chair/clerk signed**
- 033/2024 ALLOTMENTS**  
Following removal of rubbish, council to review any further works.  
**A skip was provided as agreed**
- Council to consider letters to unworked plots, to remind tenants of their undertaking and give them notice  
**Council debated the matter.**  
**It was agreed that the council send a letter to any plot holders who have not made any effort on their plots reminding them of their obligations per the tenancy agreement.**
- 034/2024 MAINTENECE CONTRACT**  
Council to review the direction on the grounds maintenance contract to ensure tighter boundaries are met  
Council to advise contractors of concerns received  
**Litter Picking before cutting, stimming around benches, Frequency of mowing**
- Council to consider request contractor plants some hedging plants in the holes in the fence to maintain safety (Worthington)  
**Request a quote to put a piece of fence in place. (Cllr Mee to obtain a quote/hourly rate from contractor)**
- Order 2 signs to replace damaged/vandalised ones**

**035/2024 ROSPA PLAY AREA INSPECTIONS**

Council to receive 2024 ROSPA Inspections  
Council to consider the URGENT matters and arrange repair, remove, replace

**Concerns were voiced about the ROSPA reports and the classification of some items**

**Worthington play area – JB tool Hire - Herras fencing in place ASAP and signage closing the area whilst equipment is maintained. Cllr Stafford to organise a website/facebook post.**

**Play equipment proposal for Worthington Play area to submit to obtain like for like quotations to then consult on. Henry Dane Way quotes to clean and repair per ROSPA report**

**036/2024 HENRY DANE WAY FENCE/BIN**

Council to consider request from contractor to arrange better access via making a larger gated access to allow the mower in. Council to consider relocating the bin outside the play area due to safety.

**Council declined the suggestion of a larger access. Clerk to write to contractor and ask for mowing not strimming on Henry Dane Way. Access gates are accessible for propelled mower  
Relocate the bin to area away from the equipment.**

**037/2024 NEWBOLD SCHOOL ROOM HIRE FORM**

Council are requested to complete and return the school booking form for the duration of the year.  
**Council confirm the second Wednesday of the month 6pm.**

**038/2024 REQUEST FOR SUPPORT**

Council are requested to support the 46 signatories objecting to the planning application ref 24/00566 – Lower Moor Road  
**Moved to 045/2024 when planning application is discussed**

**039/2024 BUS SERVICE**

Council are asked to consider lobbying the bus company to redirect the number 9 to pick up in Worthington and Newbold.  
**Clerk to email DIAMOND bus and ask what is the procedure for asking for a bus reroute to include villages.  
Speak to County also re Bus Routes/Communicating with residents**

**040/2024      ROUNDHOUSE**

Council are asked to consider opening the Roundhouse for the Hello Heritage weekend 14<sup>th</sup> September 2024 from 10am

**Agreed. Councillors will agree keyholding responsibility nearer the time**

**041/2024      SPF GRANT**

Council to consider applying for the SPF grant to start the garden on School Lane Land (deadline 28<sup>th</sup> June)

**Agreed this would be a viable option - E3**

**£3450 Send to NWLDC along the way for direction**

**LCC - Lighting from the lamp post for the xmas tree**

**Landscaping and planting**

**Cllr Storer/Cllr Stafford to speak to Heritage group re location of the coal truck/track**

**042/2024      ACCOUNTS**

- (a) Accounts for payment – June
- (b) (BACS Payment summary to be signed)
- (c) Signing of Bank Reconciliation
- (d) Accounts Summary against precept

**Agreed**

**Transfer £40k into high interest account**

**043/2024      CASUAL VACANCY**

Council to consider Co option process, following the resignation of a councillor and no call for election.

**Notice for cooption – Deadline end of July 2024**

**044/2024      CORRESPONDENCE**

Speed Data – Griffydam

**Noted**

**It was noted that the signs on the Chevin development have not replaced national speed limit signage when they replaced them with the new 30 MPH signage**

**045/2024      PLANNING MATTERS**

**24/00566 Land at Lower Moor Road**

Object on self build

**Contrary to S2 outside limits, not previously developed land, or reuse of buildings, unsustainable.**

**24/00661 Field House, Pipeyard Lane**

**Not met previous conditions set on that property/development**

**24/00578 Land adj to World of sheds**

No comment

**23/01596 Methodist Chapel Main Street, Worthington**  
**23/01595 Methodist Chapel Main Street, Worthington**  
Existing concerns remain and support the concerns of the consultees

**24/00728 The firs, Lower Moor Road**  
No comment

**046/2024      ONGOING MATTERS**  
Councillors to review appendix attached  
**Reviewed**

**047/2024      NEXT MEETING AGENDA ITEMS**  
Council to agree any items for next agenda

**048/2024      Meeting Dates – 6pm Newbold School)**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month**

**10<sup>th</sup> July 2024**  
**14<sup>th</sup> August 2024 – Not available TBC**  
**11<sup>th</sup> September 2024**  
**9<sup>th</sup> October 2024**  
**13<sup>th</sup> November 2024**  
**11<sup>th</sup> December 2024**

**049/2024      CONFIDENTIAL**  
Resignation of Clerk  
The chair advised that he had received the clerks formal notice.  
He thanked the clerk for her many years service to the council and parishioners.

It was agreed that the council would advertise the position as soon as possible, but that Cllr Stafford would undertake the role on a temporary basis once after clerks 4 weeks notice period ends.  
Cllr Haggart and Cllr Stafford will arrange a handover with the clerk.