

THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WINGATE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY, 12th FEBRUARY 2024

Present: Councillors S William (Chair), C Ryan, M Whiting, A Ogle, P Mason and E Mason

County Councillor Higgins

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Bradley

2024/02/12/01

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There were no public questions.

2024/02/12/02

THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on 8th January 2024 were agreed as a correct record.

2024/02/12/03

POLICE AND ASSOCIATED MATTERS

There was no Police report to consider.

2024/02/12/04

PROGRESS REPORT

(1) Park Policies and Procedures

Following general discussion, it was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk arrange a meeting with those Members who had expressed an interest in contributing.

(2) NHS Health and Wellbeing Programme

The Clerk advised that discussions were ongoing with an NHS organisation regarding a potential health and wellbeing programme in the village.

RESOLVED the information given be noted and further progress be awaited.

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(3) Play Equipment

The Clerk advised that following discussions with the Chair and Vice Chair it was recommended to proceed with the quotation from Playdale.

RESOLVED the Clerk be authorised to proceed in awarding a contract to Playdale:

(4) Flooding Issues at The Park

The Clerk advised that the culvert area had been cleaned and flooding issues had eased.

RESOLVED the information given be noted.

(5) Community Meeting

The Clerk advised that along with the Chair and Vice Chair he had attended a meeting with key stakeholders in the village. Key issues raised which were

to be considered further were community transport, a community calendar, circulation of information relating to each organisation, social events and, foodbank provision. Work in exploring these issues further was noted as being ongoing.

RESOLVED the information given be noted and further progress be awaited.

(6) Hanging Baskets

Following a vote it was **RESOLVED** not to install hanging baskets in 2024.

(7) Christmas Tree

The Clerk advised that it had been previously suggested that the Parish Council consider growing its own Christmas tree but after discussions with the Park Keeper it was noted that underground electrical cables would prohibit this.

RESOLVED the information given be noted.

2024/02/12/05

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER UPDATE

In the absence of the Community Development Officer there was no report to consider.

2024/02/12/06

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There were no planning applications to consider.

2024/02/12/07

CORRESPONDENCE

There were no items of correspondence to consider.

2024/02/12/08

PAYMENTS AND FINANCIAL MATTERS

(a) Authorisation of Payments

RESOLVED that authorisation be given for the following payments:

TSL-Fertilizer

Cheque No. 406222 £241.20

BT- Broadband

Cheque No. 406223 £82.24

Horns Garden Centre- Misc Items

Cheque No. 406224 £9.98

Clerk- February Office Allowance

Cheque No. 406225 £50.00

Playdale- Basket Swing (50%)	
Cheque No.406226	£3712.82
Steadfast Security- Lamp Post Replacement	
Cheque No.406227	£1217.44
Npower- Pit Wheel	
Cheque No.406228	£63.37
Eon Next- Football Changing Room	
Cheque No.406229	£801.12
Eon Next- Xmas Lighting	
Cheque No.406230	£41.78
TSL- Fertilizer	
Cheque No.406231	£241.20
Creative Youth- January Youth Club Activities	
Cheque No.406232	£1161.00
Madhouse Media- Web Hosting	
Cheque No. 406232	£540.00

(b) Bank Reconciliation

The Clerk advised a bank reconciliation would be prepared for the following meeting. **RESOLVED** the information given be noted.

2024/02/12/09

REPORTS

(a) **The Clerk**

There were no reports from the Clerk.

(b) **Members**

(1) Allotment

RESOLVED the Clerk liaise with the bowls club regarding their expression of interest in an allotment.

(2) Land to the Front of the Co-op

A Member suggested planting a fit tree on land to the front of the Co-Op potentially with lighting. It was not the Parish Council did not own the land and it would be a further liability for it to look after. The Clerk suggested that

it was unlikely to get approval because of highways visibility issues.

RESOLVED that the information given be noted.

(3) Virgin Media

Following a query, it was noted that there had been no notification from Virgin Media regarding a start date for cable works.

(4) Car Parking Issues

Following queries raised it was noted that car parking issues on a footpath at Wellfield Road was a Police matter and there had been no further dialogue in relation to parking issues at Bruce Crescent.

RESOLVED that the information given be noted.

County Councillor

County Councillor Higgins presented an update on County Council activities. It was noted that the nursery had no jurisdiction over the disabled parking space at the nursery site. The former band stand on the pit heaps had been removed and further speed monitoring was to take place at Wellfield Road. Consultation outcomes on speed reductions were awaited. Speed monitoring at Durham Road had highlighted no speeding.

A planning application was noted in relation to two dwellings at Durham Road and there had been a resubmitted application regarding works at the former Vic PH.

County Councillor Higgins was thanks for his report and it was **RESOLVED** that the information given be noted.

2024/02/12/10

SCHEDULE OF ONGOING MATTERS

RESOLVED that the schedule of ongoing matters be noted.

2024/02/12/11

EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED the press and public be excluded from the following item of business due to the disclosure of financial information.

2024/02/15/12

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

The Clerk presented advised that another month's sick note had been received from the Community Development Officer. Following general discussion, it was **RESOLVED** the situation continue to be monitored,

CERTIFIED TRUE RECORD

CHAIRMAN

DATE