



WARMSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14th. April 2025 at 7pm at Warmsworth Stapleton Road Centre.

Members Present: Cllrs. D Maxey, B Laird, S Beech, K. Lenham, P. Cole

In Attendance: The Clerk, Mr A. Bosmans

Apologies: Cllrs. J. Craggs, C Lacey, C Pattison, A Bennett and P Cole

Members Absent: None

The Clerk reported that all the reasons for apologies were genuine and were accepted as such.

25/046 To receive Disclosures of Interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting.

There were no disclosures of Interest

25/047 To identify items for which the Press and Public may be excluded.

Items 7k & 16 were identified.

25/048 Public Participation Session

There were no members of the public in attendance

25/049 To resolve that the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 10th. March 2025 be signed as a correct record.

RESOLVED: The Minutes of the meeting held on 10th. March 2025 are accepted as a true record.

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Unresolved Items from Previous Minutes / Clerk's Update

- a. Root problem from Holiday Inn Trees – A further meeting was held with the Holiday Inn Manager and their head maintenance person – a repair will be challenging and could be beyond their budgets, however they are going away to cost out and consider an alternative way of preventing the tree roots from damaging the footpath in the meantime WPC will post notices warning of a trip hazard.

ONGOING

- b. Police Presence in Warmsworth – Clerk to ask again about the possibility of police have a small "base" at the Hub - **ONGOING**

- c. Blocked culverts – KGF – The Contractor has been asked to schedule the work - As the field had dried, Cllr Pattison is tasked to ask for this to be done by the allocated contractor - **ONGOING**
- d. Doncaster Council “ordering” tree outside Hub to be trimmed back – Cllr Maxey has been dealing with this one - we are still awaiting a reply from the Asset Department at Doncaster Council – Cllr Maxey will contact Doncaster Council again - **ONGOING**
- e. Bees and droppings fouling properties next to Allotment – It may be necessary to relocate and thin out the hives as a compromise, but the Clerk understands that the residents do not want the hives to be totally removed - an inspection of the allotments including the Bee problem is planned by Cllrs Laird and Maxey on 16th April - **ONGOING**
- f. Remembrance and establishment of a sub-committee – meeting was held before Christmas for interested parties – there is to be an establishment of a Committee of Councillors and residents to co-ordinate the Remembrance Commemoration in future years , objectives and a meeting still needs to be scheduled- **ONGOING**
- g. Grosvenor Crescent - cars parking on grass – still some way to go over signs with disagreement between tow Doncaster Council Departments – in the meantime, the Parish Council has distributed open letters to all residents which has received a very positive response but there are a few residents who are still not respecting the green, fencing is not an option – Doncaster Councillor Cllr Cole has assisted but all-round and signage has now been installed, however, Parish Councillors have vowed to continue monitoring – **ONGOING**
- h. Parking on Edlington Lane, Lords Head Lane and Wrightson – Update – Cllr Laird / Pattison – There are still issues with parking which no one appears to be enforcing – access for emergency vehicles is difficult and sometimes impossible – Cllr Cole will take this one forward with Doncaster Council Highways Department – It is likely that Enforcement will become involved - **ONGOING**


25/051 To Hear Reports on the work of External Bodies

a. Allotments – Cllrs. Bennett / Laird / Maxey

1. The Toilet needs a thorough clean – The Clerk will source a suitable contractor for when the Centre Manager returns from leave
2. 1st Aid Kit – current one not fit – new one to be sourced (one also required for the Centre) the kit will be housed under the defibrillator in a box which Cllr laird may be able to source.
3. Ducks / Chickens and associated rats – disappointment by Councillors that the plot holder has done very little – the birds are still in “inhumane conditions” and plot has not been used for purpose – the letter to the plot holder was not replied to despite multiple different contacts supplied and now thought that this person is not maintaining standards and should be evicted. Letter to be drafted to that effect.
4. Consideration to be given to ordering a skip – Councillors thought this was ideal but only for plot waste and not for “home” items – would be done twice a year as a suggestion for a short period in April and September.
5. Full inspection of the Allotments planned for Wednesday 16th April

b. Playing Fields / Environment

Cllr Pattison was unable to attend the meeting but sent the following which was circulated:



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1. The car on Edlington Lane continually parking on the grass at the junction of the Halt and blocking the access view for drivers has been reported by residents from the Halt and the council enforcement team is looking into the problem so hopefully the issue will be resolved.
2. Has there been any contact made to organise a site meeting with Andy Low the highways officer regarding No Parking signage at the bus stop Edlington Lane? Bernard was the councillor to be involved with this problem.
3. Keith Hill of Oakwood has a free date first weekend in May to trim back the Xmas tree but we need to contact Christmas Plus to arrange the lights to be taken down to go for repair before that date so Keith can get the work done. If they are unable to remove the lights before the first weekend in May we still need to arrange a date with them to come and remove them so Keith can look at a future date that he can fit it into his busy summer schedule! This need arranging asap as Keith says he is very busy in the summer months. The quote was discussed, and it was left to the discretion of the Chair over cost and for the Clerk to establish whether the quote included the return of the lights and re-installation
4. The residents on Grosvenor are very happy the No Parking signs have been erected in the Grosvenor green space. So hopefully the problem has been resolved if the perpetrator abides by the rules.
5. Cllr Pattison is still in discussion over Quarry Park funding. it is going at a slow pace but hopefully we should be seeing some of the agreed spending taking place very soon.

The National Spring Clean event went very well with WEG team cleansing both Common Lane and The Halt to the Conisbrough viaduct which also involved members of the Don Gorge team. Pleased to say Warmsworth was covered by our brilliant Warmsworth volunteers they are few in number but do a fantastic job.

- c. Cricket Club – Nothing to report
- d. Football Club – Nothing to Report.
- e. PCJCC – No attendance at the meeting – new delegate to be appointed at AGM
- f. PROW – Nothing to Report
- g. DTUG – The Clerk had received an update from the City Region Mayor which highlighted some improvements to schedules and minor changes in operating for Doncaster.
- h. Don Gorge – No Meeting
- i. Quarry Liaison – No Meeting
- j. Accounts Inspection – The next inspection is scheduled for after the June Accounts have been finalised.
- k. HR Issues – Will be discussed at the end of the meeting under Press & Public Exclusion.
- l. Gala Committee – Cllr Maxey could not attend as he was ill for the meeting when it was called.
- m. YLCA South Yorkshire Branch – Next Meeting is the Scheduled AGM in June – a new delegate needs appointing at the AGM



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n. Events Committee

Events scheduled for 2025:

11th May – VE Day

29th June – Warmsworth Feast

26th October – Halloween

Cllr Beech again updated the Council on the progress towards these events and indicated that the photo shoot in the Festival gardens commemorating the event around VE day had the co-operation of Warmsworth Primary School.

25/052 To Discuss items arising from the Stapleton Road Implementation Committee.

New rates were discussed for the Centre which meant that there would be a marginal increase in the main halls, however it was pointed out that some groups were taking more than a little advantage of either side setting up and clearing away. It was agreed for the Clerk to write to all customers about the increase and to point out that there would be a reduction in the amount of this time and that it would be monitored and charged accordingly.

It was also agreed that children's parties etc would be asked to pay for half an hour either side of a party so if the customer required two hours for a party itself, they would pay for 3 hours and get no "free" amount of time.

RESOLVED : That new rates would be implemented as soon as possible in the new Financial Year and would apply to all customers.

25/053 To Discuss Environmental / Climate

There were no items to discuss at this meeting.


25/054 To Discuss and Receive Correspondence

- a. Community First Yorkshire – Newsletters – Various
- b. NALC – Newsletters
- c. Fields in Trust – Update Newsletter
- d. YALC – White Rose Update / Training bulletins
- e. SLCC – Newsletters
- f. YALC – Training programme
- g. S Y Mayoral Office – Buses back into Public Control
- h. PCJCC – Doncaster Council - Agenda
- i. S Y Mayoral Office – Sheffield Half Marathon – 23 March
- j. SY Mayoral Office – Arriva Buses Price Increase
- k. PKF Littlejohn – AGAR and External Audit Arrangements
- l. Doncaster Council – Notice of uncontested Election - WPC
- m. National Allotments Association – Newsletter
- n. Doncaster Council – PROW Meeting – 8 April
- o. S Y Mayoral Office – Bus Service Changes – Doncaster
- p. Internal Auditor – Asking for dates for Visit

Correspondence was noted.

25/055 Members Items

None Notified


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25/056 To Discuss Financial Matters

- a) To approve Orders for Payment – February April 2025 - APPENDIX 1
There were no queries about the payments, and they were noted.
- b) Budgets and Bank Reconciliation – March 2025 – APPENDIX 2 & 3

RESOLVED: The payments, Budget & Bank Reconciliation to end of March 2025 be approved

- c) Annual Internal and External Audit Plan

The Clerk had received the External Audit Plan and had made an appointment for the visit of the Internal Auditor on 6th May 2025 at 2pm.

25/057 To Consider Resolutions Notified by Members

- a) To consider the Formation of a "Friends Group" for the King George Field – It was suggested that Councillors go away and consider the format of this body, so that further planning can take place. No progress on this at present.
- b) To discuss concerns raised by Cllr Laird concerning parking on Edlington Lane, Lords Head Lane and Wrightson.

The situation had improved a little but was still ongoing , with Cllr Cole involving possible enforcement with Doncaster Council.

- c) To consider different lighting for and trimming of the Christmas Tree – It had already been discussed at a previous meeting and a budget had been established in Reserves, however the charge was quite significant to take the lights off the tree, examine, test and advise the council about progression. It was agreed to establish if the quote could cover the return of the lights, and that the decision would be made in the meantime by the Clerk in conjunction with the Chair. The trimming of the tree has already been quoted by Oakwood and would likely be done whilst the lights are taken away as the trim was needed.

25/058 To Consider Planning Matters

25/00469/FUL - 1 Lords Head Lane Warmsworth Doncaster DN4 9LP - Formation of dropped kerb to the front of the property and creation of a driveway 4 x 6 metres.

25/00529/FUL - 20 Barrel Lane Warmsworth Doncaster DN4 9JR - Erection of a tandem length garage with pool room to side and with attic trusses on to create storage space in the roof.

There were no significant observations on either of these applications, but it was noted that Doncaster Council Officers had requested some revisions to the Barrel Lane Case.

25/059 To Confirm the date of the Next meeting.

Monday 12th May 2024 at 7.00 pm – (AGM) - Warmsworth Community Hub, Stapleton Road,
preceded by The Annual Meeting of Electors at 6.45pm

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25/060 To Move that Press and Public are Excluded.

The Appeal for funds was deferred to the next meeting.



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The Chair commented on dismissing the meeting:

This is the last Parish Council before the re-constituted Meeting and Annual Meeting of Electors in May. The election for Parish Councillors is uncontested and we have three retiring Councillors.

An Election will be petitioned for the three vacancies in May but Councillors remaining will have to step up and assist where they can in the meantime.

He also expressed his personal thanks for the service of all Councillors over the last Council Year, but special thanks go to the retiring Members : Cllr Alan Bennett, Cllr Cal Lacey and Jade Craggs.

A third employee advertisement had been discussed previously and had been sanctioned.

A further item looked at the possibility of naming certain Halls after distinguished ex or current Councillors who had given time and service to Warmsworth.


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