



WARMSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL COUNCIL MEETING

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10th. March 2025
at 7pm at Warmsworth Stapleton Road Centre.**

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

In Attendance: The Clerk, Mr A. Bosmans

Apologies: Cllr. J. Craggs

Members Absent: Cllr. A. Bennett

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

25/031 To receive Disclosures of Interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting.

There were no disclosures of Interest

25/032 To identify items for which the Press and Public may be excluded.

Items 9k & 16 were identified.

25/033 Public Participation Session

There were no members of the public in attendance

25/034 To resolve that the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 10th. February 2025 be signed as a correct record.

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

25/035

Unresolved Items from Previous Minutes / Clerk's Update

- a. Root problem from Holiday Inn Trees – Cllr Pattison will update – a further meeting scheduled with the Holiday Inn for 7 March 2020, but cancelled by the hotel - Cllr Pattison will reschedule for as soon as possible – **ONGOING**
- b. Signage— signs about Disabled gate keys have been received – awaiting fitting - **COMPLETED**
- c. Police Presence in Warmsworth – Clerk to ask again about the possibility of police have a small "base" at the Hub - **ONGOING**

- d. Blocked culverts – KGF – The Contractor has been asked to schedule the work - it will not take place until the weather has died out the field to enable machinery access - **ONGOING**
- e. 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 is to follow up again later this week - **ONGOING**
- f. Bees and droppings fouling properties next to Allotment – Clerk has obtained some advice from the British Beekeepers and the Allotments Society – he has sent a holding email to the complainant and will follow up with the Beekeepers themselves alongside Cllrs Maxey and Laird. Cllr Cole wants the contact of the complainant so that he can have a conversation about it as well.- **ONGOING**
- g. 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**
- h. 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 dismay at Doncaster Council’s “unprofessional” approach – **ONGOING**
- i. 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 - **ONGOING**

25/036 To Hear Reports on the work of External Bodies

a. Allotments – Cllrs. Bennett / Laird / Maxey

Cllr laird had paid an informal visit to the allotments and had compiled a list of items which are at present outstanding:

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.
4. Lot 4 – Plot holder paid until October, but the plot has not recently been visited as the tenant is very ill – further decisions on this will be taken when it is ascertained that the tenant cannot any longer tend to the plot.
5. 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.

b. Playing Fields / Environment

Cllr Pattison commented that a complaint had been received about her “abusing” her powers over an issue with St Leger Homes and a resident.



The Clerk had investigated and ruled in favour of Cllr Pattison and offered the right to appeal to the Chair and / or Doncaster Council.

- c. Cricket Club – Clerk had received a list of fixtures for 2025
- d. Football Club – Nothing to Report.
- e. PCJCC – No meeting.
- f. PROW – It was reported that the Environmental Group was more than happy to work alongside the Don Gorge Group on matters associated with footpaths around Don Gorge catchment. Cllr Pattison was awaiting a date to walk the Circular Trail with an Officer at Doncaster Council which would hopefully highlight where the trail needs attention.
- g. DTUG – Nothing to Report.
- h. Don Gorge – Cllr Bennett absent. Minutes of the last meeting had been sent by the Clerk to all Councillors.
- i. Quarry Liaison – No Meeting
- j. Accounts Inspection – This was completed and signed off by Cllr Beech up to the end of January 2025. Another is needed at the Year-end before Internal Audit.
- k. HR Issues – Will be discussed at the end of the meeting under Press & Public Exclusion.
- l. Gala Committee – Cllr Maxey was to be invited to the next meeting but had heard nothing as yet – The Clerk would remind the Gala by email.
- m. YLCA South Yorkshire Branch – A “Special” Meeting is planned by video link for 19th March – Cllr Lacey would attempt to attend, and the Clerk would send her the link.
- n. Events Committee

Events scheduled for 2025:

11th May – VE Day

29th June – Warsworth Feast

26th October – Halloween

Cllr Beech 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 Warsworth Primary School.

25/037 To Discuss Items arising from the Stapleton Road Implementation Committee.

It was reported that the meeting had agreed new rates for the Centre with a modest increase in most, and some new hours and an agreement appoint as new assistant to the Centre Manager – to be advertised as soon as possible and the Centre Manager to be one of the Interviewers on the Panel.

RESOLVED: A New Appointment be advertised for the Centre and new rates for hire of rooms at the Centre to commence April 1

Councillors were also asked to consider local significant names for individual rooms / Offices in the Hub.



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25/038 To Discuss Environmental / Climate

There were no items to discuss at this meeting.

25/039 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. Don Gorge – Minutes of Committee Meeting – 10 February
- h. Doncaster Council – Licensing Policy Review
- i. Keep Britain Tidy – The Great British Spring Clean
- j. Doncaster Council – Guidance on Parish & Town Council Elections
- k. Doncaster Council – LDP – Biodiversity Amendments
- l. Smokefree Doncaster – Booklet on Smokefree Homes
- m. National Allotments Association – Draft Minutes – Yorkshire Quarterly Branch
- n. S Y Mayoral Office – Revised E-mails
- o. Don Gorge – Invitation to opening of stone Table and Bench seats – Councillors circulated
- p. South Yorkshire YLCA – Special Meeting – 19 March by Zoom – Need to register

Correspondence was noted.

25/040 Members Items

It was not debated but Cllr Pattison had been sent a problem with a resident feeding birds on a public green at the top of Lords Head Lane, but it was attracting rats which is posing a serious health hazard

25/041 To Discuss Financial Matters

- a) To approve Orders for Payment – February and March 2025 - **APPENDIX 1**
There were no queries about the payments, and they were noted.


- b) Budgets and Bank Reconciliation – February 2025 – **APPENDIX 2 & 3**

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

- c) The Annual Insurance for the Council is due, and it was reported that it is fixed for a three-year deal – this was noted

25/042 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
- b) To discuss concerns raised by **Cllr Laird** concerning parking on Edlington Lane, Lords Head Lane and Wrightson
In the evenings especially, there is very limited access to properties for emergency vehicles at night. Inconsiderate parking at the ends of the roads impede the ability for emergency vehicles to access sometimes sick patients in a traumatic state – Cllr Pattison has raised this with Highways at Doncaster Council and Cllr Cole will also add some further concern about it.
- c) To consider different lighting for and trimming of the Christmas Tree – Cllr Pattison will liaise with the Clerk and with Christmas Plus after the easter break.


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25/043 To Consider Planning Matters

Erection of 109 dwellings, access, public open space, and associated infrastructure

Planning Committee approved this in early March – The Clerk indicated that some concessions had been obtained with pressure from local residents and the Parish Council.

24/02282/COU - 5 Mill Lane Warmsworth Doncaster DN4 9RG - Change of Use E(b) Cafe for use as Wine Bar as dual use (Sui Generis) – this had been approved with timing conditions and no additional seating outside.

25/00367/COU – 28 Darrington Drive Warmsworth Doncaster DN4 9LF

Change of use from dwelling house (C3) to children's care home (C2) for up to 2 children and creation of additional off-road car parking space

This was a late introduction – the Clerk stated that it was quite controversial and welcomed comments – there was detail, and he would send it to Councillors for discussion at the next meeting – or before if necessary.

25/044 To Confirm the date of the Next meeting.

Monday 14th April 2024 at 7.00 pm – Warmsworth Community Hub, Stapleton Road

25/045 To Move that Press and Public are Excluded.

The Appeal for funds was deferred to the next meeting and the staff matter was agreed. It was approving Clerk's course fees for Cilca.


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