



WENTWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

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NOTICE OF MEETING: Meeting of Wentworth Parish Council
TIME: 7.00 pm
DATE: 8th January 2025
VENUE: Wentworth Village Hall

MEMBERS 4
VACANCIES 1
QUORUM 3

Attendees: Councillor Lee (DL), Councillor Ashdown (BA), Councillor Bass (CB), County Councillor Dupre (LD) and 2 members of the public attended (MOP).

All documents relevant to this meeting were circulated to Councillors electronically prior to commencing.

MINUTES

Meeting opened at 7.00pm

08012025/1 To receive and record apologies for absence
Apologies received from Councillor Edwards

08012025/2 To receive Members declaration of interest
There were none

08012025/3 To sign and approve minutes of last meeting:
Parish Council Minutes from 6th November 2024 DL proposed, and BA seconded that the minutes should be signed as true record of the meeting. Motion carried as unanimous.

08012025/4 To receive District and/or County Councillor's reports
County Councillor monthly report was circulated prior to meeting. County and District Councillors Reports can be found on Wentworth Parish Council website on District & Councillor Reports page. LD reported on Sutton GP Surgery, budgets and road closure B1381 Chain Causeway from Sutton to Earith, closed from 06.01.25 -07.03.25 for repairs.

LD Left

08012025/5 Open forum for public participation
MOP addressed the Council to offer a donation of a decking platform to the playpark to be used as a raised picnic area and football goal posts with basketball hoop. MOP also offered to dispose of pile of plant debris from far corner of playpark.
Councillors discussed location and agreed goal post's location would be backing to the mound to avoid balls being kicked into neighbouring properties. The picnic platform location would be decided when weather improves and would be secured in place. All installation works would require Public Liability insurance DL can provide assistance with installation for this purpose. CB proposed and DL seconded acceptance of donation and associated works.
Wentworth Fundraising Chair gave an update on fundraising for 2024 £3500 has been raised for new swings so far and £2000 for the Church and church hall to cover running costs for the year. AGM to be held 22nd January 2025 in Church hall.

08012025/6 Planning:**To Consider:** None**To Update: 24/01114/FUL** - Land East of Field House Stud Whitecross Road WilburtonCambridgeshire-Change of use to showman's yard and storage of mobile homes for business – No
Comment response submitted via email to ECDC 22.11.24**08012025/7 Council Business:**

- a) **Playpark** – Landowner had sent an email with a valuation from Cheffins for the playpark and Clerk had contacted 3 solicitors to enquire about conveyancing costs to add to budget. It was agreed unanimously to send landowner acceptance of price and explain timescale of purchase as funding predominantly relies on CIL payments being received. Clerk to email landowner to update. Clerk emailed 09.01.25
- b) **CIL** – Clerk had contacted ECDC regarding potential sale of one of the properties, ECDC has sent details to legal team and will keep Council informed if any payments made before court dates in February 2025.
- c) **Budget & Precept for 2025-26** – Clerk circulated budget and precept proposed for 2025-26. Update on current year's budget was given and is on target for 2024-25. Precept to be increased by 3.04% from ECDC in line with increased funding figures provided this will equate to an increase to parishioners of 0.08%. Budget finalised and agreed BA proposed and CB seconded motion carried unanimously. Clerk emailed return to ECDC 09.01.25

08012025/8 Finance

- a) To approve bank Reconciliation up to 31st December 2024. Payments made in November and December 2024 were agreed unanimously. DL signed bank reconciliations for 30.11.24 & 31.12.24
- b) Payments:

November			
K&M Lighting	Maintenance	£21.20	BACS
Julie Peck (Clerk)	Clerk salary	£430.00	BACS
St Peters Church	Hall Hire	£33.00	BACS
D Lee Property Main.	Grounds maintenance	£200.00	BACS
Narkedesign	Web hosting & Support	£253.00	BACS
Savings Transfer	Transfer	£1000.00	Transfer
December			
Red Shoes Accounting	Payroll Services	£46.80	BACS
Julie Peck (Clerk)	Clerk Salary	£326.73	BACS
K&M Lighting	Maintenance	£21.20	BACS
Stephen Allsop	Verge cutting playpark	£70.00	BACS
Savings Transfer	Transfer	£5000.00	Transfer

c) Direct Debits Paid: None

d) Income:

November			
Interest	Interest Savings Account	£0.71	Bank Credit

08012025/9 Correspondence (Information only not for discussion)

- a) Notification received from CCC Signals & Systems advising speed indicator signal on Church Road would be removed as obsolete. Clerk responded to advise sign was a MVAS and response was received apologised for outdated records kept at CCC and sign would **not** be removed and their database updated accordingly.

08012025/10 Diary Dates – Date of Next Meeting 5th March 2025 at 7pm.
Meeting closed at 7.50 pm

J Peck

Julie Peck
Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer
Wentworth Parish Council

09.01.25

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David Lee
Chairman
Wentworth Parish Council