

WORLABY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of Worlaby Parish Council held on **Tuesday 12th December, 2023** at **Worlaby Village Hall**, Grange Field, Worlaby, Brigg DN20 0LZ, at **7:00pm**.

Present: Cllr M Speakman (Chair), Cllrs H Truelove, T Cave, M Moran
Clerk to the Council: Ann Boulton
Ward Cllr Nigel Sherwood
4 members of the public

Agenda

23/24 - 1201 **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllrs R Bowles and I Fowler and Ward Cllrs C Sherwood and R Waltham

23/24 - 1202 **Public Participation**

To resolve, if necessary, to temporarily suspend the meeting for a period of no more than 20 minutes to allow for a period of public participation. Members of the public may raise subjects, which they wish to bring to the attention of the Parish Council. Items relating to matters on the agenda will be taken first and any decisions will be made when the meeting is declared opened. Speakers will be limited to 5 minutes, unless the council agrees to extend this. It should be noted that decisions cannot be made on items not on the agenda. Meetings may be recorded.

A resident complimented the organisers of the Dickensian Market. He also wondered if Bonby pre-school were getting full use from the land that is leased to them – he said the second half of the land did not appear to be used for most of the year and could perhaps be put to better use. Cllr Cave said it was being used in the Spring. Cllr Fowler, who is the school liaison, will be asked to look into this.

23/24 - 1203 **Declarations of Interest**

- a) To note and record declarations of interest by any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below. Members declaring interests should identify the agenda item and type of interest being declared. None
- b) To note any dispensations granted to any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below. None

23/24 - 1204 **Minutes of Previous meeting**

- a) Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 14th November, 2023 to be approved and signed.
Resolved: To approve and sign the Minutes
- b) Matters arising from the Minutes
No matters arising

23/24 - 1205 **Report from Ward Councillors**

- a) Ward councillors to update the Parish Council on activities within North Lincolnshire Council.
Cllr Sherwood reported that devolution has been passed by NLC and Lincolnshire CC and a consultation is currently taking place. This would mean a Mayor's budget of £24 million coming into the county in Stage 1. An election for Mayor is expected in 2025.
Money from the Towns Fund has been injected into Glanford Park which will have a development of bungalows and industrial units.

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23/24 - 1206 Highways, Drainage, Footpaths and NLC issues

- a) To update on the following outstanding issues:
- Damage to Carr Lane
A month after the work was completed, the edges are already crumbling away and potholes are appearing. Cllr Moran has photos and he was asked to forward them to Cllr Sherwood who will refer the matter to the Highways Department. The Clerk said she had contacted Network Rail and they do not use metal-tracked vehicles on the lane.
 - To discuss the planned enquiry into Network Rail and Carr Lane and agree comments
Cllr Cave said that people in the low villages had used the footpath for 40 years and wished to comment at the enquiry. He suggested a meeting with Colin Wilkinson of NLC to agree the arguments and prepare a course of action.
Resolved: To forward Cllr Cave's email with information he has gathered over the years to Colin Wilkinson.
- b) To discuss any other highways, drainage, footpath and NLC issues and resolve any action.
There have been comments on the potholes and the state of the footpaths around the village. Also flooding has occurred at the bottom on Middlebarn Hill.
Resolved: To note that this has been reported to the drainage board and Highways are aware. Part of the problem appears to be that rubbish is being washed down into the gullies.

23/24 - 1207 Police Matters / Neighbourhood watch / NATs

- To receive updates from Humberside Police, Neighbourhood Watch Representative and NATs and resolve any action **None**
- To receive update on the relocation of the Speedwatch camera.
Resolved: To note Cllr Cave's report that safety brackets had been ordered for the ladders needed to erect the camera.

23/24 - 1208 Planning

- To consider comments on the following planning application:
PA/2023/1753 - Application to erect a first floor side extension at 23 The Barn, New Road, Worlaby
Resolved: To offer no comments
- No Decision Notices received:
- To discuss any other planning matters and resolve any action:
A meeting was held with NLC to discuss the approval of an application after it had been recommended for refusal by planning officers. The Chair of the Planning Committee said he understood the PC's position but once the work had been carried out it was far more difficult to have it reversed. There should be a report online explaining why the planning committee made their decision.
Resolved: That the Parish Council must keep a closer eye on building words and flag up any problems early.

23/24 - 1209 Risk Assessments and Safety Reports

- a) To receive risk assessments and safety reports for play and public areas owned or managed by Worlaby Parish Council and resolve any action:
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| i) BT Kiosk, Top Road | Monthly inspection | Cllr Mike Speakman |
| ii) War Memorial, Top Road | Monthly inspection | Cllr Mike Speakman |
| iii) Flagpole, Main Street | Monthly inspection | Cllr Tom Cave |
| iv) Bus Stop, Low Road | Monthly inspection | Cllr Ian Fowler |
| v) Pleasure Ground and Play Area, Top Road | Monthly inspection | Cllr Tom Cave |
| vi) Fountain | Monthly inspection | Cllr Mike Speakman |
| vii) Recreation Ground | Weekly inspection | Cllr Ian Fowler |
| viii) Woodland Glade and Hollows, The Hill | Monthly inspection | Peter Jones |
| ix) CCTV System | Monthly inspection | Cllr Richard Bowles |

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No problems reported

23/24 – 1210 Community Matters and Open Space Management

- a) To receive an update regarding the Woodland Glade and Hollows and resolve any action.
Nothing to report
- b) To receive an update report from Worlaby Recreation Committee and resolve any action.
Resolved: To note that joint meeting regarding the lease will be held in the new year.
- c) To update on works in the Jubilee Dell and resolve any action
Resolved: To buy a tree and also a seat. Cllr Cave said he had a chestnut that was descended from a 1937 tree planted for the Coronation that he will donate. It was suggested that a plaque is provided.
- d) To discuss management of Village Flowerbeds and resolve any action.
Nothing happening at present
- e) To update planning requirements for siting the donated plough
Resolved: To note that planning permission is not required – it is permitted development. Installation will probably be in the spring.
- f) To discuss plans for the commemoration of D-Day80 in 2024, and resolve any action
The official guidelines indicate that celebrations will take place on 6th June which is a Thursday and not a Bank Holiday, with the lighting of beacons suggested.
Resolved: This will be looked into, together with the possibility of a barbecue.
 - To update re-printing of War Memorial book
Cllr Cave has given the clerk the name of the publisher and the matter is being pursued. Cllr Cave has a list of people who want to buy the book
- g) To organise distribution of PC Christmas card
Cllr Speakman distributed the cards to volunteer deliverers.
- h) To receive an update on the Community Emergency Plan
Nothing to report
- i) To update designating an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
To note that this is ongoing.
- j) To discuss any other Community and Open Space Management matters and resolve any action
None
- k) To update information on Low Villages Newsletter
Cllr Cave reported that there is the possibility of linking with The Bartonian which would give the low villages a wider circulation and should not cost any more than at present. It will depend on Barton Town Council but there will be no publication until March.

23/24 – 1211 Village Hall

To receive an update from the Village Hall Improvements sub-group and resolve any action

- a) To update possible funding for Village Hall extension and update planning advice
Resolved: To note that planning permission is required. Sources of funding are being investigated.
- b) To discuss internal maintenance on Village Hall and resolve any action
The Worlaby Recreation Committee would like, in the first quarter of 2024, to:
 - **Replace existing toilet roll holders with large capacity enclose holders**
 - **Install a digital projector and screen in the main hall**
 - **Replace the blinds with black out curtains**
 - **Paint the corridor and toilets.****It was also noted that the gutters need clearing**
Resolved: To approve the works
- c) To receive progress report on the review of the current Village Hall Management Agreement.
Resolved: To note that this is still ongoing.

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23/24 – 1212 Accounts

- a) To review current financial position and set the 2024/25 precept
Resolved: To precept for £16000, the same amount as last year.
- b) To note and sign new bank statements.
Resolved: To sign the bank statements
- c) To note payments since last meeting.
Noted.

23/24 – 1213 Ongoing, Minor Items, Correspondence and Agenda Items for the next meeting

- a) Councillors to update the meeting on any progress on items not requiring decision and resolution, not otherwise detailed on the agenda. **None**
- b) Matters of correspondence received since the agenda was posted. **None**
- c) To receive from Councillors agenda items for the next meeting
The Clerk was asked to contact Internetty regarding the Village Hall.

23/24 - 1214 Date and time of forthcoming meetings

- a) To agree the date and time of the next Parish Council meeting - **Tuesday 13th February, 2024**
It was agreed to meeting in January if there are any urgent matters.

23/24 - 1215 To consider the exclusion of the public and press in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s1(2) due to the confidential nature of the items to be discussed.

- a) Payment of Clerk's Salary
Resolved: To approve payment.
- b) To update Clerk's position
The new Clerk will be asked to start in January for a handover from the former Clerk and to take over after the February meeting.

It was also agreed to delegate powers to the Clerk to deal with any matters arising over the holiday period.