

WORLABY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on **Thursday 23rd May 2024** at **Worlabby Village Hall**, Grange Field, Worlabby, Brigg DN20 0LZ, at **7pm**.

Present: Cllr M Speakman (Chair), Cllrs H Truelove, T Cave, M Moran, R Bowles, I Fowler

Clerk to the Council: Hannah Hepworth

Ward Cllrs : Cllr N Sherwood

10 members of the public

Minutes

2405/01 Apologies

Apologies were noted from Rob Waltham and Cllr C Sherwood

2405/02 Public Participation

A complaint was discussed at the request of the Chair regarding not publicising notices on noticeboard which had been brought up last September. The Chair stated that the Parish Council thought they had a system in place which clearly hasn't worked; the Chair is now taking personal responsibility for putting these on the noticeboards and apologised for this oversight.

The complainant continued that they felt the public inquiry was not advertised by WPC effectively, dates were not given and some public remained unaware of it. The complainant has requested a notice to be put up on the Parish Council noticeboard and this had been refused. A second attempt was made asking for this which was again refused. The Chair explained that when this inquiry was initially announced WPC expected NLC to contact individuals. The Chair contacted Colin Wilkinson who stated that NLC did not want to be seen to orchestrate a presence on this. Colin Wilkinson gave the chair a copy and NLC were concerned that people should have something significant to say. The Chair then put this on the PC Facebook Page and shared this with Worlabby News and Worlabby Community. This stated that people should turn up on the first day, and this went global with responses from Scotland, people who lived in Worlabby in the 60s, and these people made a written statement. The Chair was also contacted by Rambler Groups.

The complainant would like the Parish Council to make a decision on communication – Communication Strategy will be an agenda item at the next meeting.

The complainant also expects WPC to thank Colin Wilkinson and NLC for this work.

2405/03 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

2405/04 Minutes of Previous meeting

Proposed: Cllr Cave, Seconded Cllr Truelove

Resolved: The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 9th April 2024 were approved and signed - unanimous.

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2405/05 Report from Ward Councillors

- a) The Ward councillor updated the Parish Council on activities within North Lincolnshire Council, including the very successful Easter free swimming which saw 1500 users. This will continue in the summer along with reduced bus fayres for anyone aged 5-19 years old with journey anywhere within North Lincs capped at £1.
Funding is available for electric charging points.
Operation Snap – this is an incentive ensuring safer roads. Road users can get a free dashcam if they apply on the Humberside Police Website

2405/06 Highways, Drainage, Footpaths and NLC issues

- a) Updates were received on the following outstanding issues:
Drainage had been covered in the earlier meeting.
Highways – footpaths – NLC have said they would tidy these. Clerk to contact Highways to inform the road repair is now worse than before.

2405/07 Police Matters / Neighbourhood watch / NATs

- a) To receive updates from Humberside Police, Neighbourhood Watch Representative and NATS and resolve any action
No meetings have taken place
- b) To receive update on the Speedwatch camera.
It was noted that the speedwatch camera is working well

2405/08 Planning

- a) PA/2024/411: Village Hall. Planning permission to extend the back of the hall and replace window with bifold door
Proposed: Cllr Bowles, Seconded Cllr Fowler
Resolved: The Parish Council support this application and have no comments - unanimous
- b) PA/2024/464: Northwood Farm. Planning permission to install an electrical substation
Proposed: Cllr Bowles, Seconded Cllr Fowler
Resolved: The Parish Council support this application and have no comments - unanimous
- c) To discuss any other planning matters and resolve any action:
None

2405/09 Risk Assessments and Safety Reports

- a) The following risk assessments and safety reports for play and public areas owned or managed by Worlaby Parish Council were received:

i) BT Kiosk, Top Road	Monthly inspection	Cllr Mike Speakman
ii) War Memorial, Top Road	Monthly inspection	Cllr Mike Speakman

There are issues with this – bushes have been encroaching and Cllr Speakman and Mrs Speakman have cut these back. The land to the left is the resident's – Cllr Speakman will resolve this

The Clerk has sent a letter to the land owner regarding the tree and they are engaging.

iii) Flagpole, Main Street	Monthly inspection	Cllr Tom
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

2405/10 Community Matters and Open Space Management

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- a) To receive an update regarding the Woodland Glade and Hollows and resolve any action.
This is under control. Woodland Blade has had incredible growth due to the weather.
- b) To receive an update report from Worlabby Recreation Committee and resolve any action.
PC page will be removed and a link to the new web page
Quotes are being sourced for major redecoration works
- c) To update on works in the Jubilee Dell and resolve any action
Thistles are an issue and have caused much debate on Facebook.
The land owner two years ago asked if the PC would like to make use of this land. A plan was formed to clear scrub, and this was cleared and harrowed. There was a problem with nettles and this was strimmed and wild flower seed sown. The thistle problem will be resolved.
The Clerk has received various emails from residents complimenting the Jubilee Dell and work of the volunteers and will circulate these to councillors.
- d) To discuss management of Village Flowerbeds and resolve any action.
These are coming on well but more volunteers would always be welcome.
- e) To discuss plans for the commemoration of D-Day80 in 2024, and resolve any action
D Day coffee morning Thursday 6th June. Evening BBQ with Beacon Lighting 5pm.
Proposed: Cllr Bowles, Seconded Cllr Fowler
Resolved: The Parish Council allocate £100 for the purchase of food for the BBQ - unanimous
- f) To update designation of an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
Cllr Speakman to contact Cllr Nigel Sherwood about this
- h) Low Villages Forum news and update
Proposed: Cllr Cave, Seconded Cllr Speakman
Resolved: The Parish Council will link in with the Low Villages computerised diary - unanimous
- i) To discuss The Fountain and any current matters and resolve any action
Cllr Bowles to contact the retired plumber who was interested in getting this working and to organise a site visit
- j) To discuss any other Community and Open Space Management matters and resolve any action
None

2405/11 **Village Hall**

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

- a) To receive progress report on the review of the current Village Hall Management Agreement.
No update

2405/12 **Accounts**

- a) To approve May payments to be made including Sissons £511.84, Pam Beeforth £19.84, Marian Vincent £40, Chestnut Mowing £675, CPRE Membership £84, LVF invoice £125, BT £456.53, Boston Seed £480, Clerk Mileage - £21.60
Proposed: Cllr Speakman, Seconded Cllr Moran
- b) **Resolved:** The above payments Sissons £511.84, Pam Beeforth £19.84, Marian Vincent £40, Chestnut Mowing £675, CPRE Membership £84, LVF invoice £125, BT £456.53 Clerk Mileage - £21.60 were agreed - unanimous
Proposed: Cllr Cave, Seconded Cllr Bowles
Resolved: £120 will be donated to the school for the school leavers' gifts
Proposed: Cllr Fowler, Seconded Cllr Bowles
Resolved: The Plough will be moved on Sunday and a maximum of £100 will be spent on paint
- c) The new bank statements were noted and signed

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2405/13 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
Communication Strategy

2405/14 Date and time of forthcoming meetings

- a) Date and time of the next Parish Council meeting – Tuesday 11th June, 2024, 7pm

2405/015 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) Any items of a confidential nature
Cllr Fowler to draft the Clerk's contract
Clerk to send correspondence out as and when it is received
Next year there will be two meetings not three, with the annual and ordinary meeting combined.

Meeting close: 8:40pm