

## WINSTER COUNCIL

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### MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING: 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2023, 7:00pm, held at the Jubilee Room, Burton Institute, Winster.

*These minutes are hereby approved as a true and accurate record of the above meeting following Resolution of the Council at its monthly Council meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023*

Signed ..... Chair of meeting

In attendance: Cllr. Frederickson (Chair), Cllr. Hatfield (Vice Chair), Cllr. Geddes, Cllr Randles, Cllr Stone.

Also Present: P.Coleman (Minute taker in the absence of the Clerk), Cllr Buckler, 2 members of the public.

No.	Item	AP
10/01/23	<b>Apologies</b> Apologies received from Cllr Cooper, Cllr. Brown, Trisha Dale (Clerk).	
10/02/23	<b>Declaration of Interests</b> None	
10/03/23	<b>Reports:</b> A: County Councillor's Report: None this month. Cllr Simon Spencer has been invited to Highway WG on Oct 19. Villager with specific concerns to be invited B: Borough Councillor's: Cllr Matt Buckler reported that PDNPA will object to works by DCC on the Via Gellia. Lower speed of 50mph welcomed on section above Hollybush junction, but the scheme will 'urbanise' that junction at Grangemill with twelve lights and a Pegasus Crossing. Cllr Buckler will be keeping an eye on this for us. He asked if the SERCO bin collection changes had been problematic in Winster. The Chair reported that there had been no real problems in the village. There had been a late collection on East Bank but that was not because of the change to the schedule. C: Police Report: None this month. It was agreed PCSO Carly Mattison would be invited to Highways WG on Oct 19th. D: Chair Report: Peak Park Parishes Forum is this Saturday. The Chair is away. Cllr JG will attend.	<b>Clerk JG</b>
10/04/23	<b>Public Participation</b> Resident 1: Notified the Council that there was a dangerously parked van on the Common. It was asked why the WPC wasn't acting under its powers but he did not specify what these were. It was suggested to the resident that calling the Police would be quicker. Resident said he had not yet done that. He also asked that the Minutes be corrected to say that he had alleged that Cllr Frederickson had a conflict of interest because he was chair of Peak District RHA. He did not specify which Minute he meant. DF's position is a matter of public record. It was agreed that this should be mentioned in the Minutes.	<b>Clerk</b>
10/05/23	<b>Members Questions to the Chair</b> Cllr Stone asked if the grit bins had been filled. Cllr Cooper not present but it is understood that we have sufficient salt and he will be doing it. Cllr Geddes suggested we upgrade the identity codes on each bin to a more durable form. There will be a small cost. (Prop: JG 2 <sup>nd</sup> : DF; Unan)	<b>AC, JG</b>

	<p>Cllr Buckler reported that the Lorries Liaison Group was meeting at Wensley. MR to attend if an invite can be secured. MR said Carly Mattison should be invited to Highways WG on Oct 19th and Enthovens or their contractor regarding the lorry issue.</p> <p>Derbyshire Environment Trust funding applications close on Oct 6. Could be used for work on the Common or for footpath from Florence Gladwin Close to Playground. MH to explore this.</p> <p>DDDC Community Ownership Fund: The Village Shop should be alerted to this or the EV Charging project might be eligible.</p>	<p>MR</p> <p>MR</p> <p>DF</p>																											
10/06/23	<p><b>Minutes of Last Meeting and Matters Relating Thereto</b></p> <p>A: The minutes of the previous Council meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2023 were considered and approved following correction of a minor spelling error and amendment as requested under Public Participation Resident 1. (Prop: DF 2<sup>nd</sup>: JG; Unan)</p>																												
10/07/23	<p>Finance</p> <p>A: To note the Council's monetary assets: Bank of Scotland, and for the Chair of the meeting to examine, approve and arrange to sign the bank reconciliation and latest current account statements when available.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th><th>As at 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2023</th><th>As at 4<sup>th</sup> September 2023</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Balance brought forward 1st April 2023</td><td>£34,563.70</td><td>£34,563.70</td></tr> <tr> <td>Total Income</td><td>£34,950.77</td><td>£33,344.57</td></tr> <tr> <td>Total Expenditure</td><td>£20,082.77</td><td>£17,246.95</td></tr> <tr> <td>Balance</td><td>£49,431.50</td><td>£50,661.32</td></tr> <tr> <td>Last Statement Balance as at 1st September 2023</td><td>£51,897.67</td><td>£58,242.25</td></tr> <tr> <td>Less un-presented cheques</td><td>£2,466.17</td><td>£7,580.93</td></tr> <tr> <td>Add uncleared deposits</td><td>£0.00</td><td>£0.00</td></tr> <tr> <td>Available Balance 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2023</td><td>£49,431.50</td><td>£50,661.32</td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>B: To approve and instruct the payment by cheque, of presented invoiced items, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) T. Dale – Salary- £323.20</li> <li>ii) F. Purlow – Salary and expenses – (£13.67) £395.71</li> <li>iii) E. Smith – Cleaning - £100.00</li> <li>iv) S. Wood Gardening Services – None this month</li> <li>v) WaterPlus – Utilities - £22.54 (DD paid September)</li> <li>vi) M. Randles – reimbursement of £466.70 for the following: Naturescape Wildflowers - £190.00 Emorsgate Seeds - £240.00 Oxford Brush Company - £36.70</li> </ul> <p>In addition: A Stone for materials used to clean &amp; paint the war memorial chains etc for £25.00</p> <p>C: To note the income and receipts of the Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) DDDC funding from M.Buckler - £250.00</li> <li>ii) Jepson Funeral Directors - £1,356.00</li> </ul> <p>Financial Position – noted</p> <p>Payments – approved It was reported that the public bench improvement project was more or less complete.</p> <p>Income – noted. Thanks to Cllr Buckler for funding the seeding of Leacroft grass verge. (Prop: MH 2<sup>nd</sup>: DF; Unan)</p>		As at 2 <sup>nd</sup> October 2023	As at 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Balance brought forward 1st April 2023	£34,563.70	£34,563.70	Total Income	£34,950.77	£33,344.57	Total Expenditure	£20,082.77	£17,246.95	Balance	£49,431.50	£50,661.32	Last Statement Balance as at 1st September 2023	£51,897.67	£58,242.25	Less un-presented cheques	£2,466.17	£7,580.93	Add uncleared deposits	£0.00	£0.00	Available Balance 2 <sup>nd</sup> October 2023	£49,431.50	£50,661.32	
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10/08/23	<p>A: Quote for Woodhouse Lane pathway. Cllr Cooper has not provided one yet. Deferred. Add to next agenda</p> <p>B: Update on playground funding. Cllr Brown not present – deferred. Suggested that DET funding might be suitable but it was agreed we should continue to pursue funding from Tarmac. Add to next agenda</p> <p>C: Commons Management Plan: Cllr Robinson thanked MR for organizing the seeding of Leacroft. Clerk to confirm arrangements for cutting next year with DDDC Environment team. DR proposed to seed the Common in November in the grass-heavy areas. DR introduced his draft Tree Planting Plan: concentrates on the Griffin where the biggest wins are available. Detailed consideration will be given to mix of trees. It is now clear that we do not need any permissions to plant trees on the Common because access will not be restricted but will be enhanced. Plan is a draft, open to change and for immediate consultation. We will not hurry this we will get it right and take the village with us. A precis of it will appear in the Village Mag, the fuller version will be on the website and there will be a Bowling Green consultation meeting in November. The Plan will address the management of the existing trees on The Griffin and develop the footpath along from the car park. Estimated Costs: Trees (£250); Shrub plants (£160); Mulch and tree guards (£500); Repair of swings £350; Seating (£600) using recyclable plastics. Trees may be available free and other grant-aid will be explored. These estimates will go into the next Budget process. DR was thanked for his invaluable expert professional contribution and hard work on the Draft Plan.</p> <p>D: Openreach (Digital-only phone services) JG reported no new news. Nothing so far gives any reassurance however. It is important for the village to keep its phone box because this would work in the event of an emergency while masts are not required to have power and could therefore fail.</p> <p>E: Freedom of Information Request (Housing): Cllr Brown not present to report - deferred. Add to next agenda</p> <p>F: Pathway from FG Close to playground – deferred. Add to next agenda</p> <p>G: War Memorial Renovation: Cllr Stone and Randles reported that most of chains had been cleaned and painted. Work started on plinth. Costs for brushes, etc will be low.</p> <p>H: Play Area Repairs: Deferred. Add to next agenda</p> <p>I: Noticeboard Repairs: Report needed from Resident. Deferred. Add to next agenda</p> <p>J: Footpath from Clough Wood (Deferred) Temporary sign at East Bank View bungalows has been erected and is working. AC to install permanent replacement.</p> <p>K: Ride-On Mower: Cllr Robinson reported that the mower would be gifted to WPC thus saving the village the cost of insurance because it would go on the WPC policy at negligible extra cost. The Orchard Group had been mowing the area gratis for WPC for years. The cost of these ten cuts a year would be high. WPC will now pick up the cost of running the mower. So, in effect, there are savings all round. It is a new mower (only 2 years old). It was agreed to transfer ownership of the mower to WPC (Prop: JG 2<sup>nd</sup>: DF; Unan)</p> <p>L: East Bank Noticeboard: Simon Wood asked to quote for small repairs and painting of the noticeboard.</p> <p>M: EV Charging Points: MR recommended we abandon the idea of EV points on lamp-posts. JG suggested that the Burton Institute would be a better option with a dedicated off-road space for charging and a three-phase supply available in the yard. He will investigate costs and grant-funding and report to November consultation meeting. Add to next agenda</p> <p>N: Snow Warden scheme 2023: Agreed we should run the scheme again this year.</p> <p>O: Urgent Items: Simon Wood reported that light bulbs were needed and there is no hand-dryer in the Disabled toilet. It was agreed that he should replace the bulbs and cost a hand-dryer. It was also agreed that appliances should be PAT-tested. MH to contact Andy Brown or pass details to Clerk.</p>	<p><b>AC</b> <b>Clerk</b> <b>DC</b> <b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>DB</b> <b>Clerk</b> <b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>Clerk</b> <b>JG</b> <b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>AC</b></p> <p><b>JG</b> <b>Clerk</b> <b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>MH</b> <b>Clerk</b></p>
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10/09/23	<p>Planning:</p> <p>A: The following were discussed, considered and instruction reporting of the Council's views on applications received are available to view on <a href="http://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk">www.peakdistrict.gov.uk</a>, including the following:</p> <p>None this month</p> <p>B: To note any planning decisions as notified by the Peak District National Park Authority:</p> <p>None this month</p>	
10/10/23	<p><b>Correspondence &amp; Circulars:</b></p> <p>Noted and discussed, correspondence received and pre-circulated to Members by email, unless otherwise indicated, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) DCC – Community news, Road Closures, Parish &amp; Town Council Liaison Forum, Cyber Security</li> <li>ii) DALC – Newsletters., DET Funding</li> <li>iii) Public Sector Executive – various.</li> <li>iv) PPPF – Consultation Response to Proposed Changes to Town and Planning.</li> <li>v) DDDC – Bin Days, Community Ownership Funding.</li> <li>vi) Robert Largan MP - Various.</li> </ul>	
09/11/23	<p><b>Items for the Village Magazine:</b></p> <p>Thanks to MB for Leacroft verge funding</p> <p>Draft Tree Plan – precis for Mag pointing to full document on website and advertise consultation meeting date.</p>	
	<p><b>The next Council Meeting will take place at 7.00pm on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023, at the Jubilee Room, Burton Institute, Winster.</b></p> <p><b>Meeting closed at 8.25pm.</b></p>	