WENTWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council Held in the Mechanic's Institute, Wentworth on Monday 16th October 2023 commenced at 6.30PM

Signed as a true record

Present 6349.	Councillor Councillor Councillors	Mr B. McNamara (Chairman) Ms C. Hawley (Deputy Chairman) Mrs V. Sykes, Mr S. Peace, Mr D. Booth, Mrs C. Shaw, Mr W. Crawford, Ms J. Annetts							
	Mr J. Knight (From 6.43pm) Br.Transport Police Mr R Percival								
Minutes 6350.	The minutes of the meeting held on 18th September 2023 are accepted as a true record and are authorised to be signed by the Chairman.								
	Proposed Councillor Peace Seconded Councillor Crawford								
Matters Raised By RMBC 6351.	Councillor Peace reported that the first meeting of the joint community groups for traffic issues has taken place. The main items raised were traffic speeds and the need for a 20mph zone along Main Street.								
6352.	6352. RMBC are to be asked why the proposed 20mph zone along Clayfield Lane has now been cancelled								
Br. Transport Police 6353.	Mr Percival introduced himself and the role of the British Transport Police in preventing and detecting rural crime. Whilst they are involved in thefts of cables from railways they are also involved in all aspects of rural crime from wildlife crime and thefts from farms and rural properties to general antisocial behaviour in rural areas.								
	Councillor Knight joir	ed the meeting at 6.43pm							
6354.	Councillor Shaw had contacted the Police Commissioner in a persona capacity about recent break-ins in the area and advised the Commissioner that in general people viewed the police poorly.								
6355.	Mr Percival noted that SY Police are a very stretched force covering a large area and population. He reported that BTP are liaising with Wentworth Estate regarding wildlife crime and the introduction of by-laws to provide stronger protections and enforcements.								
By Parishioners.	A complaint has been received from a Harley resident about the noise from the playing field when it is being used by the football team. Members considered the matter and decided that no action would be taken. Noise is to be expected from a playing field and that the benefits of children participating in organised sport rather than getting involved in anti social behaviour outweighed the costs. Members will monitor the situation going forward.								
6357.	^{157.} Residents are still complaining about dogs on Wentworth playing field. The parish council has done everything possible and dog wardens are still patrolling the area.								
Matters Arising 6358.	Minute 6359, nothing has been heard about the RMBC proposal to look at lay-bys in the Hoober are to block off any unofficial or not required areas.								
6359.	There has been an accident at the junction of Occupation Road and Harley Road, the air ambulance was in attendance and landed at the Mission Rooms car park								
		25. the overgrown hedge on Coach Road has still not been attended to							

	6361.	Regarding minute 6326, the	graffiti has s	till not	been remo	ved, matter to be reported again.	JH			
	6362.	Regarding minute 6281, the gullies around the war memorial have not been cleansed.								
	6363.	Regarding minute 6331, the manhole cover has not been repaired. Matter to be reported again.								
	6364.	Regarding minute 6341, the MP has contacted the Mayor regarding the complaints made about a couple of scheduled bus services failing to turn up								
	6365.	Regarding minute 6342, the Estate is to crown lift the car park trees by 3 metres, they will obtain planning permission for all trees on the playing field to be lopped. The contractor will then be asked to lop the trees on the playing field the parish council.								
	6366.	The grounds maintenance contract is being reviewed in preparation for being sent out to tender.								
	6367.	. Members asked if the Estate could be prompted to install a railing at the war memorial. The request								
	6368.	 was originally made last year after a parishioner complained of difficulty using the steps. The crash barrier along the A6135 has still not been replaced by BMBC. Councillor Annetts reported that replacement parts for the Harley play equipment have been delivered, but that a couple of the stepping stones need replacing. The cricket club has requested that it be allowed to sublet the Wentworth pitch for more that the 10 agreed days per year; in order to gain more revenue for the club. It was noted that this will affect the charge for the use of the pitch. 								
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Finance		The payments were approve Cllr McNamara Cllr Sykes Cllr Annetts Hot Metal Press Clerk Milton Estate Wentworth Builders Eskia Computers PKF Littlejohn WRA RMBC AWS Everflow J Torry J Torry EON EDF Business Stream Proposed Councillor Peace Seconded Councillor Shaw	d for Octobe BACS BACS BACS BACS BACS BACS BACS BACS	97 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	49.99 67.05 760.88 30.00 408.00 300.00 60.00 72.00 252.00 391.00 430.38 896.10 17.36 35.00 35.00 21.96 113.00 20.24	Expenses October Expenses October Expenses October Remembrance service posters Salary & expenses September Harley field rent Wentworth field hedge Web site expenses Audit fee Donation Play equipment inspection Grounds maintenance October Water charges October Window cleaning October Electricity charges October Electricity charges October Water charges October Water charges October Water charges October				
	6372.	Wentworth Residents Association has requested a donation towards their costs, the matter was discussed Councillor Hawley was concerned about the inclusivity of the donation and others asked to see the WRA insurance policy.								
Councill Respons	sibilities	noted that there had been co	mplaints fro	m pari:	shioners la	order of service is being finalised. She also st year that only one person was serving tea d be in attendance at the exhibition this year.	ALL			

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6374.	Councillor Annetts reported that the defibrillator cabinet for Lea Brook Lane is ongoing and that there are no issues with the defibrillators	
6375.	Councillor Shaw reported that the BBC will be filming at the Harley Christmas fair and that the recent Dial sessions had been successful in Harley. Councillor McNamara reported that there had only been one attendee at the Wentworth sessions and that no further sessions would be funded for Wentworth	
6376.	Councillor Shaw reported that volunteers has cleaned pavements of moss and weeds and that she had contacted RMBC to get the waste removed.	
6377.	Councillor Shaw reported that a brass band concert was to be held in the Mission Rooms in December.	
6378.	Councillor Shaw noted that the Wentworth Estate prescribed notices have been erected in the Mission Rooms' car park.	
6379.	Councillor Booth reported that the replacement bench in Friars Croft is expected to be fitted within the next week. The other benches are expected to be fitted in December or January.	
6380.	Councillor Hawley reported that parking along Church Drive is bad when weddings or funerals are being held at the church. She asked if the Estate could improve the signage directing people to the car park.	JH
6381.	Councillor Hawley asked if the Estate could be reminded to refresh the makings on the car park surface.	JH
Next Meeting 6382.	The next meeting is confirmed as 20th November 2023 at 6.30pm in the Mechanic's Institute, agenda to be issued.	

The meeting closed at 8.45pm

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