

WENTWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council
Held in the Mechanic's Institute, Wentworth
on Monday 20th November 2023 commenced at 6.30PM**

Present 6383.	Councillor Mr B. McNamara (Chairman) Councillor Ms C. Hawley (Deputy Chairman) Councillors Mrs V. Sykes, Mr S. Peace, Mr D. Booth, Mrs C. Shaw, Mr W. Crawford, Ms J. Annetts Parishioner Ms M, Banks Rotherham Advertiser Mr P, Whitehouse	
Apologies For Absence 6384.	Councillor Mr J. Knight	
Minutes 6385.	The minutes of the meeting held on 16th October 2023 are accepted as a true record and are authorised to be signed by the Chairman. Proposed Councillor Crawford Seconded Councillor Sykes	
	The Chairman offered thanks to Councillor Sykes for arranging the Remembrance service and to all the other councillors involved	
Matters Raised By Parishioners 6386.	Some of the street lights along Main Street have not been working for several weeks, The matter has been reported, by councillors and parishioners, to both StreetPride and Northern Power. There seems to be no coherent answer from either organisation. One explanation from Northern Power is that a new supply cable will need to be installed and that several small hamlets are having similar problems. 6387. Ms Banks raised the matter of the beacon, which needs repainting. It was noted that the matter is in hand, but there is an issue in locating a suitable sign writer. 6388. Ms Banks reported that a WRA speed watch had taken place, 226 vehicles went through the speed trap, but none were above the speed limit. WRA ask in dummy speed camera signs could be erected.	JH
Matters Raised By RMBC 6389.	The noisy manhole cover on Main Street has still not been repaired 6390. There has been no response from RMBC as to why the double yellow lines proposed for Clayfield Lane have been cancelled and no update on the 20mph restrictions for Wentworth. 6391. The relocation of the VAS sign in Wentworth has been delayed due to RMBC staff issues. 6392. The hedge along Lea Brook Lane has been cut back, but the pavements need cleansing of undergrowth and debris. It was also noted that the pavement along Harley Road needs cleansing. 6393. It was noted that RMBC networking meetings are held during working hours and therefore difficult for councillors to attend.	SP JH
Matters Arising 6394.	It was noted that the review and removing of unnecessary or informal lay-bys in Hooper is ongoing and that the police now seem to be undertaking daily patrols of the area, 6395. Regarding minute 6360, the hedge along Coach Road has not yet been cut back 6396. Regarding minute 6364, the MP has contacted the Mayor regarding the couple of missed bus services and has queried the best way for users to report incidents	

6397.	Regarding minute 6367, the Estate is unable to erect a railing at the war memorial due to planning and design issues. Councillor Booth is to look into the matter further	DB																																																																	
6398	Regarding minute 6380, the Estate is not in favour of adding more signage for the car park at Church Drive. Instead it suggested that the church be more proactive in directing users to the car park.																																																																		
Finance	<p>6399. The payments were approved for November</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="199 488 1276 862"> <tr> <td>Fitzwilliam Estate</td> <td>BACS</td> <td>£</td> <td>350.00</td> <td>Wentworth field rent</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Barnsley Brass</td> <td>BACS</td> <td>£</td> <td>150.00</td> <td>Remembrance service</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Hot Metal Press</td> <td>BACS</td> <td>£</td> <td>139.00</td> <td>Remembrance service</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cllr Annetts</td> <td>BACS</td> <td>£</td> <td>450.48</td> <td>Expenses November</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Everflow</td> <td>BACS</td> <td>£</td> <td>28.13</td> <td>Water charges November</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pactek</td> <td>BACS</td> <td>£</td> <td>583.66</td> <td>Repairs to bus shelters</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wentworth Builders</td> <td>BACS</td> <td>£</td> <td>200.00</td> <td>Repairs to bus shelters</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Clerk</td> <td>BACS</td> <td>£</td> <td>433.00</td> <td>Salary & expenses October</td> </tr> <tr> <td>AWS</td> <td>DD</td> <td>£</td> <td>896.10</td> <td>Grounds maintenance November</td> </tr> <tr> <td>J Torry</td> <td>DD</td> <td>£</td> <td>35.00</td> <td>Window cleaning November</td> </tr> <tr> <td>EON</td> <td>DD</td> <td>£</td> <td>18.48</td> <td>Electricity charges November</td> </tr> <tr> <td>EDF</td> <td>DD</td> <td>£</td> <td>113.00</td> <td>Electricity charges November</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Business Stream</td> <td>DD</td> <td>£</td> <td>20.24</td> <td>Water charges November</td> </tr> </table> <p>Proposed Councillor Peace Seconded Councillor Sykes</p> <p>6400. The first draft of the budget was circulated and members are asked for comments for the next meeting.</p> <p>6401. Community skips are to be arranged for April 2024</p>	Fitzwilliam Estate	BACS	£	350.00	Wentworth field rent	Barnsley Brass	BACS	£	150.00	Remembrance service	Hot Metal Press	BACS	£	139.00	Remembrance service	Cllr Annetts	BACS	£	450.48	Expenses November	Everflow	BACS	£	28.13	Water charges November	Pactek	BACS	£	583.66	Repairs to bus shelters	Wentworth Builders	BACS	£	200.00	Repairs to bus shelters	Clerk	BACS	£	433.00	Salary & expenses October	AWS	DD	£	896.10	Grounds maintenance November	J Torry	DD	£	35.00	Window cleaning November	EON	DD	£	18.48	Electricity charges November	EDF	DD	£	113.00	Electricity charges November	Business Stream	DD	£	20.24	Water charges November	ALL JH
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Councillor Responsibilities	<p>6402. The draft grounds maintenance contracts are being revised ready to go out to tender. The bench outside the Mechanics has been fitted and the contractor has been prompted about the remaining benches</p> <p>6403. The replacement parts for the play equipment has been received and it is expected that the repairs will be undertake in the next week</p> <p>6404. It was noted that the Remembrance exhibition will be held for one day next year as there was very poor attendance on the Saturday. There is a small amount of profit from the sales of refreshments, this is to be donated to the WVCA to contribute towards the costs of opening the Mechanics Institute for the Remembrance event.</p> <p>6405. The Harley Christmas tree is to be lit on the 3rd December followed by a carol service. The fireworks from the cancelled bonfire event are to follow on the playing field. Members raised concerns that the event had not has parish council permission and that the event may attract more people than the organisers anticipated.</p> <p>6406. WRA has asked permission to undertake general tidying around the war memorial, the Estate is pleased to accept their offer.</p> <p>6407. TWCC has asked for permission to sublet for more days in the 24 season and has advised that 22 matches will be played on Saturdays and 9 on Sundays, The effect on the hire charges is to be assessed.</p> <p>6408. The timber bus shelters have been repaired and repainted.</p>																																																																		
Open Forum	<p>6409. Councillor Hawley noted that there is a local neighbourhood road safety fund, and asked if someone from the initiative could be invited to attend a council meeting next year.</p> <p>6410. Councillor Hawley reported that the new car park at Wentworth Woodhouse is temporary and only for staff use.</p>																																																																		

<p>6411.</p> <p>6412.</p>	<p>It was noted that the Estate is to undertake work in the village car park and that the line markings will not be refreshed until the work has been completed.</p> <p>Councillor Sykes has received a complaint about the state of the public footpath from Kirby Lane to Spittalhouses, matter to be reported to RMBC.</p>	<p>JH</p>
<p>Next Meeting</p> <p>6413.</p>	<p>The next meeting is confirmed as 18th December 2023 at 6.30pm in the Mechanic's Institute, agenda to be issued.</p>	

The meeting closed at 8.00pm