

WOLSINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES FOR MEETING HELD
TUESDAY 14TH May2024
7.00 PM
Thornley Village Hall

PRESENT: D Sugden, J Bell, I Rodgers, Y Bell, A Vipond, A Savory, J Bartram, A Hirst,
A Bonar, S Bittlestone, Sarah-Ann Baxter(Clerk)

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: J Green, AM Burke, T Stewart, J Bushell, S Burtie,
L McNicholas, C Moffat

1) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: H Yeulet

2) TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR: None Received

3) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Cllr Savory declared an interest in planning and the items relating to the Kiosk/new toilets.

4) MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 12th March 2024: Agreed as a true record

5) MATTERS ARISING:

- i) Steelworks Building – The owners of the Steelworks building were unable to attend
- ii) Policy Reviews – New templates have been issued by NALC for Finance Regulations, reviews can now be completed on this policy & Standing Orders policy
- iii) Risk Assessments – completed on Town Hall & St Anne’s
- iv) New Toilets – Works ongoing, No funding available by AAP. Council agreed to the charge of 30p per visit.
- v) Library Rent - Still awaiting decision from DCC
- vi) Council agreed Blue Badge holders can park for free. Agreed that spot checks on parking will be carried by Councillors. Council to consider further signage in Demesne Mill.

6) CORRESPONDENCE:

- i) HGV’s / Traffic Etc – Queries need to be directed to DCC not Parish Council.
- ii) Lithium Extraction – Details of planning application & transport assessment can be found on DCC planning portal and anyone you wishes to comment is able to do so.
- iii) FOI Request – Reply has been sent regarding queries concerning the parking meters.
- iv) Police Engagement Fraud -Police have offered support on fraud awareness to the local community groups
- v) Demesne Mill Camping – Council agreed to monitor

7) MAINTENANCE WORKS:

- a) St Anne’s Heating – Still awaiting quotes for the Hive system.
- b) St Anne’s Further Decorating - Ongoing
- c) St Anne’s Flooring – The decision has been deferred until later in the next financial year.
- d) St Anne’s Roof lights – This work is still to be completed.
- e) Recreation Security Barrier – Agreed costs for installation of new gate & associated fencing.

- f) Demesne Mill Potholes – Works to be completed during the carriageway resurfacing works in the next two weeks.
 - g) Car Park Lights – These are working correctly
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- 8) Christmas Lights – Council agreed costs from DCC for yearly installation
 - 9) Crepe Van – All payments are now up to date.
 - 10) Patio Area St Anne's – Cllr Bonar to arrange tidy up
 - 11) Availability of Monthly Accounts – Agreed that accounts are already accessible to the public & redaction of salaries etc would be required if monthly data was released.
 - 12) Use of Emails – Council agreed that any decisions would be made at a Council meeting, however discussions can take place via email.
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- 13) Finance**
- i) Payments & Reports for May 2024 – agreed.
 - ii) Audit / AGAR – Internal Audit Report presented & agreed, AGAR was presented & agreed including all year end documentation, Council also agreed to appoint our current internal auditor (Allen Sykes) for the forthcoming year.
 - iii) Insurance Quote – Council agreed to new costs
 - iv) Toilet Entry System Quote - Council agreed new costs for door installation system.
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- 14) PLANNING** – Council agreed there were no comments to be made on current applications

Date of next meeting – June 11th 2024 to held at the Town Hall, Wolsingham at 7pm