



**APPROVED Minutes from the Full Parish Council Meeting
held on Monday 2nd December 2024 in Weldon Village Hall Annex
starting at 18:30**

Councillors Present	Jane Clowery, John Cooke, Peter Dowsett, Jan Gibson, Angela Page (Chair), Mike Page, Colin Shepard, Graham Stray, Kane Taylor, Anton Vickers
Also Present	Claire Ducker (Clerk) 2 representative from PHPNA and Rural Cllr Kevin Watt (arrived at 7pm)

- 24.240 Apologies** PCSO Alison Wallace (on duty) and Cllr Dana Laslau (Corby CAN choir rehearsal), Apologies were accepted
- 24.241** No Interest of Declarations were registered.
- 24.242 Crime Report** - PCSO Wallace apologised for not attending this meeting, but did forward a crime report (1st - 28th November 2024),
- 7 crimes reported, 1 in Weldon and 6 in Priors Hall
 - 0 anti social behaviour incidents were reported
- 24.243 Public Session** - no public in attendance
- 24.244 The minutes of the Full Parish Council Meeting**, held on Monday 4th November 2024 were approved by Cllrs Shepard & Gibson and signed by Cllr A Page.
- 24.245 Sign policies that were previously agreed at Full Council Meeting held on November 4th 2024**
- Electronic Communication Devices - Acceptable Usage Policy
 - Cllr Shepard had issues not being able to use BCC, it was discussed that some volunteers do not want their private emails being shared amongst the Councillors. It was agreed that when sending out emails to Councillors and volunteers, if using BCC the names of those receiving emails will be added to the bottom of the email so everyone is aware who has received the email.
 - The policy was accepted by all and signed by Cllr A Page
- 24.246 Finance**
- A. Cllr Taylor gave the following Finance Committee Report: As of this morning, 2nd December 2024, there is currently £203,834.08 in the bank's accounts. £2,066.22 has been paid out in between the November's meeting and this one. There will be a VAT claim of £619.51 made for after tonight's meeting.
- The current value of outstanding payments to be approved this evening is £12,722.11.



The following payments were approved in line with current legislation.

Payee	Payments - Reason	Amount	Power
Staff costs	November salary & expenses	£1,637.20	LGA 1972, s.112
HMRC	PAYE	£314.52	LGA 1972, s.112
Unity Trust	Bank charges	£10.20	LGA 1972, s111
Unity Warehouse	September electricity supply for Unit D1	£44.30	LGA 1972, s111
Claire Ducker	Sticky stuff remover, magnets & stamps for allotment letters	£25.28	LGA 1972, s111
Angela Page	Christmas tree lights	£85.42	OPA 1906, s.10
NP Cox	Grass cutting & fuel	£1,563.88	OPA 1906, s.10
NP Cox	Maintenance	£800.00	OPA 1906, s.10
Ross Wallace	Maintenance to Gander Field	£576.00	OPA 1906, s.10
G S Print Management	Weldon Wide magazine & Christmas cards	£2,000.60	LGA 1972, s.142
Peterborough Diocese	Youth worker - October salary	£1,574.45	LGA 1972, s.112
Tori Williams	Design of Weldon Wide magazine & Christmas cards	£622.00	LGA 1972, s.142
One stop leaflet drop	Distribution of Weldon Wide magazine	£504.00	LGA 1972, s.142
Wave	Water for allotments	£264.03	PHA 1936, s.125
Wave	Water for War Memorial	£18.51	PHA 1936, s.125
DM Payroll	Payroll admin October 24 - March 25	£60.00	LGA 1972, s.112
SJT Consultancy	Road closure for Remembrance Sunday	£1,818.00	HA 1980, S.274A
LGPS	1 OF 5 Payments - £5k Pension shortfall for previous Clerk JL	£1,000.00	LGA 1972, s.112
Peterborough Diocese	Youth worker - November salary	£1,809.94	LGA 1972, s.112
	TOTAL COSTS	£14,728.33	



- B. Grants received: A grant from CorbyCAN has been received for £300
- Discussions were had that they are applying for payment for volunteers time which cannot be granted as public monies cannot be used for salaries.
 - More clarification and modifications are required for this application to be approved. Weldon Parish Council wants to support CorbyCAN but cannot support something that is not financial regulation and following WPC grant policy.
- C. Following the pay award being agreed by the unions for NJC pay scale the Youth Development Coordinator's salary will be increased in line with the payaward. Back pay and pay increase will be processed in November's pay.

24.247

Review proposed budget for 2025/26 was circulated to all Councillors prior to the meeting

- Areas of concern raised
 - Village planters and bulbs, to review the budget for bulbs and include the full cost of installation and expenditure of new planter
 - Hills & Hollows french and bridge, ring fence £4,500 from 2024/2025 budget, Cllr Shepard to put in a plan and obtain quotes for this to be reinstated into 2026/2027 budget
 - Precept was discussed, hoping to keep this the same as the 2024/2025 budget so it shows a decrease in residents council tax due to the increase in housing. This will be agreed in January's Full Council meeting.

24.248

HR & Health and Safety reviews, Councillors received the quotes for the 2 companies of interest prior to the meeting

It was agreed that Citation was the preferable company to go ahead with on the agreement that we can review after one year if we sign up for the 36 month contract. Cllr M Page to contact Citation.

24.249

Planters under the notice boards

The present position of them are a Health & Safety issue. The notice boards can only be accessed by leaning over the planter with flowers. The top area of the notice board is inaccessible. Flowers will be destroyed as the frontage is opened. It was discussed that the planters need to be moved to the side of the notice boards. Proposed by Cllr Stray, approved by Cllrs Vickers & M Page. Cllr Shepard to arrange for these planters be removed with immediate effect from under the notice boards and positioned to the side.



24.250 Weldon in Bloom - planter at old bus stop on High Street

Drawings and quotes were circulated prior to the meeting and it was agreed proposed by Cllr Taylor and seconded by Cllr Clowery that we go with option

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- 2 x Amberol square plus Amberol promenade planter and a bound gravel base treatment, costings £1559.10
 - Costs include planters, delivery and compost
 - Additional costs - caretakers time and plants/bulbs for the planters

24.251 Maintenance feedback

- A. Community Pay Back Team Update - Cllr C Shepard
- B. Tree warden report - quotes from Lloyd Greenwood to carry out work on the village green were discussed. A review of all trees around Weldon Village needs to be completed as there may be other trees that require urgent attention. The trees at the allotments need to be cut back before March due to nesting season. Clerk to check the asset register to ascertain who owns which trees in Weldon Village. Possible funding to be discussed at January's meeting.
Caretaker to clear bottoms of trunks to the trees on the green.
- C. Footpath warden report, vegetation on Woodlands Road has been cut back and paths cleared, the tarmac is in poor state. This is to be reported on Fix my Street.

24.252 Update on the consultation of the Neighbourhood Development Plan

Cllr Vickers reported that the closing date of 21st November 2024 has now passed. Very disappointed with the lack of response. Cllr Vickers will now complete and return the relevant forms.

24.253 Update on the supply of electricity to the Village Green, grant application has been submitted and should hear back by February.

24.254 Rural Councillor Kevin Watt, apologised for arriving late.

- It was reported that the funds from Homes England of £200K has not disappeared, there was no meeting held during November and this is to be rearranged.
- The TRO for the reduction of speed on the A43 is now out for consultation
- The residents of The Avenue, only, on Priors Hall held a meeting to discuss the DYL's on their road. Since 2010 the cycle way has been in place and is a legal cycle way, Highways have provided information. Feedback is now with Highways which can take between 4 - 16 weeks to reply. Unless there are any legal reasons why DYL are not installed, Highways will back the installation of DYL.

24.255 PHPNA Representatives had nothing to report



24.256

Planning Applications:

A. Magna Park -

- S106 agreement, Magna Park have reported that £800K funds have been contributed to NNC for community use, this is for the first 2 warehouses. A further S106 agreement will be in place for the further warehouses. Cllr M Page has asked the Planning Officer to provide details, waiting on a response.
- TSL, who are building the Nike warehouse, are supporting the community within Station Parish, Cllr M Page to contact TSL as to why they have not approached Weldon Parish Council and to discuss the social value initiatives and programme.

B. Rockingham Gate - no building work at present, this is due to start until the new year

24.257

Larratt Road Update, Cllr Dowsett has been in contact with our solicitor who is finalising letters to residents.

24.258

No training completed this month

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To Consider the following Incoming Correspondence as previously circulated all for information only

- A. Updates from NCALC
- B. Newsletter from Jason Smithers, Leader of NNC
- C. Weekly Planning Applications and Decisions
- D. NALC Newsletters and courses
- E. Weekly Road Works Programmes and Gully Cleaning
- F. Planning Matters Training Programme

24.260

To note any concerns raised by residents via email to the Clerk

- A. Litter Bin outside 52 Corby Road - Reported on Fix my Street, this has been recorded since November with further reports recorded, still nothing has been done
- B. Collapsed wall on Deene End - Reported on Fix my Street
- Light out on Oundle Road (bottom of hill) - reported on Fix my

Street

24.261

Reports from

- A. Traffic Working Party meeting update - minutes and action log on website
 - Update on traffic calming plan on Kettering Road, there has been a change regarding the cycle path, Cllr Dowsett to send letter
- B. Parish Maintenance Working Party - minutes on the website
- C. Weldon in Bloom Committee Working Party - minutes on the website



24.262 Future agenda items/business for future meetings. The nature of future agenda items can be discussed at this point however no decision can be made until the next meeting

- Weldon Fete committee wish to hold a meeting with Weldon Parish Council, date to be arranged, still waiting on Weldon Fete to get in contact.
- Flooding - Flood Wardens
- Weldon Lodge - suggestions to what this building could be used for

Due to technical issues with the lights the Christmas light switch on and carols on the green was cancelled, a new date will be announced in the coming weeks.

Date of next meeting - Monday 13th January 2025 @ 19:00 at Weldon Village Hall

This being all the business the meeting was closed at 20:44

Signed	Date 13th January 2025
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