

## Weldon Parish Council

# Minutes of Finance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 30th April 2025 at Weldon Village Academy, 10:00 am

Present	Cllrs John Cooke, Janet Gibson, and Kane Taylor (Chair)
Also Present	Claire Ducker (Clerk)

FC.2533	Apologies - Cllr A Page sent her apologies, work commitments, which were accepted
FC.2534	Declarations of Interest - Cllr Gibson, allotment keys
FC.2535	The minutes of the meeting held on 19th March 2025 were approved and signed by Cllr Taylor
FC.2536	Clerk Report – Following the Full Council meeting held on Monday 7th April 2025 there is currently £319,767.65 across both bank accounts. We are still waiting on March VAT return which was applied for on 9th April 2025 for £509.56. We have received the precept amount of £162,000 from NNC. This is included in the figures.  Payments to approve before the Full Council Meeting being held on Monday 12th May, to talling £11,494.21.

	Payments made prior to May 12th	
Staff costs	April staff costs & expenses	£1,250.05
Claire Ducker	Wifi '3' for Unit	£21.00
HMRC	PAYE	£235.81
Citation	HR & Health and Safety package	£222.21
Royal London	Pension	£173.19
Claire Ducker	First Aid	£35.48
Claire Ducker	Stationery	£57.51
Angela Page	VE Day flags & glow sticks	£21.11
Ross Wallace	Gander Field - items purchased	179.17
NPC Maintenance	Maintenance for April 2025	£800.00
NPC Maintenance	Grass cutting & Fuel - April 2025	£1,643.44
Ross Wallace	Maintenance work on Gander Field	£216.00
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PHPCC	Rock Solid hall hire for April (2081)	£22.50
PHPCC	Hall hire for Youth Games night April (2079)	£36.00
PHPCC	Rock Solid hall hire for SEN Group April (2078)	£31.50



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Sudwell	Pearl quartz - base for new planter on High Street	£470.35
NCALC	Luntime lowdown training - JG	£12.00
TATA Steel	Allotment rent 05.04-04.10.25	£122.00
One Stop Leaflet		
Drop Ltd	Delivery of Weldon Wide magazine	£598.08
G S Print		
Management	Printing of Weldon Wide magazine	£2,029.00
MileX Engineering		
Ltd	Labour to repair Unit door	£112.50
Rocky Road Music	PA Hire package for VE Day	£564.00
Northants	Wood chipping - branches around the Churchyard	
Groundcare Ltd	and Pocket park	£480.00
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Groundcare Ltd	Carry out services to various machinery	£300.00
Amberol Limited	Planter for new planter on High Street	£1,401.00
Sansom & Sons	Hills & Hollows cut	£132.00
Colin Shepard	Weldon in Bloom RHS AGM & Entry fee	£54.00
Colin Shepard	Purchase of bulbs and plants	£68.83
NNC	2025-2026 Business rates for Unit D1	£168.65
	TOTAL	£11,673.38

- Working from home payment increased for Clerk from £15 to £26 per month. It was agreed that this is automatically increased as per HMRC recommendations
- Cllr Shepard had requested the spend of £150 for compost to replenish the current troughs, planters and the new planter going near the One Stop Shop, approval to purchase this was given
- The caretaker has found a water pump to use with the water tank, approval to purchase this was given

#### **FC.2537 Grant application** no grant applications received.

**FC.2538 NE Laptop for Clerk** - it was agreed that the Clerk could purchase a new laptop at the cost of £399.99 and the go ahead to purchase a new laser printer/copier/scanner. Look at costs for compatible toners. A budget of £1,500 was set in 2025/2026 to cover these costs.

#### FC.2539 Review any 'maintenance work suggestions' forms received

- New planter near the round house.
  - Email received from Historic England received stating that have no issues with this.



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- Suggestions that it is placed under the information sign which should be moved onto the other side of the boundary as cars park in front and cannot be read.
- May a up to date sign is looked into to replace the current one.
- Take to Full Council for agreement on Monday 12th May

#### FC.2540 Any Future Items

- Procurement policy to review
- Grant policy to review
- Training courses for caretaker Nigel Cox to put a list together and costs involved
- FC.2541 AOB none raised

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**FC.2542** Next Financial Committee meeting Wednesday 21st May 2025 at Weldon Village Academy, 10:00.

This being all the business the meeting was closed at 10:53

Signature	Date
K Taylor	
	21st May 2025

9th May 2025