

Willington Parish Council

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**Parish Council Minutes of Willington Parish Council
Held on Tuesday 13th February 2024 at The Old School, Castleway, Willington**

Present: Cllrs P. Allsopp (Chair), J. Houghton, I. Walters, T. Bartram, T. Bates, A. Davenport, I. Hudson, C. Mead, and M. Bartram.

County/District Cllr. M. Ford.

Member of the Public.

Rachel Male (Clerk).

130224/1 To Receive Apologies for Absence

Apologies received from Cllrs. C. Harrison and District and County Cllr. M. Ford

130224/2 Variation of Order of Business

Not required.

130224/3 Declaration of Members' Interests

None.

130224/4 Public Speaking, including County, District and Police Representation.

No comments from the members of the public.

District/County Councillors:

County Cllr. M Ford gave an update on

I am meeting with the Cabinet Member for Highways to get some resolution on the long overdue gully cleaning issues around the centre of the village and under the railway bridge. This problem is taking too long to fix and I fully understand the frustrations around the community, it isn't good enough to take a year to clean these gullies, or to investigate if we have a further problem which is preventing efficient operation of the drainage system.

Derbyshire County Council are proposing a Council Tax increase of 4.99% this year, yet to be ratified at Full Council. This amount comprises 2.99% Council Tax and 2% to help offsetting the spiralling costs experienced by Adult Social Care.

Please keep reporting potholes on the DCC System when they appear.

SDDC Cllr. I. Hudson

Finance committee have proposed a 2.99% increase in council tax yet to ratified by Full Council.

There are two elections coming up on 2 May 2024; to elect a Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire; and for the first time ever, an East Midlands Mayor for the combined regional authority of Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire.

130224/5 To confirm and agree as a true record the non-confidential Minutes of the Willington Parish Council Meeting held on 9th January 2024

RESOLVED to agree and sign the Minutes as a true and accurate record.

130224/6 To consider a resolution to close the meeting for public participation under the Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960.

Not required.

130224/7 Finance – Income and payments to 13th February 2024

To approve the income and payments to 13th February 2024 (attached). All invoices were available for inspection prior to the Meeting.

RESOLVED that all income and payments as submitted be agreed.

130224/8 To confirm and agree the accounts to month ending 31st January 2024

RESOLVED that the accounts and bank reconciliation to month ending 31st January 2024, as submitted, be agreed.

130224/9 Councillor Resignation

Debra Roscoe has resigned from her position of Councillor. The Clerk has advertised with South Derbyshire a casual vacancy which takes 14 days. The Clerk will then advertise for co-option.

130224/10 SDDC Budget Consultation 2024-2025

A response will be sent by Willington Parish Council highlighting concerns.

130224/11 Website and email service

RESOLVED to move website provider to Cuttlefish who have taken over from 2commune.

130224/12 Planning Applications

a) DMOT/2024/0111 - The pruning of an oak tree covered by South Derbyshire District Council Tree Preservation Order no. 237 to front of 37 Oaks Road, Willington, Derby. **Noted.**

130224/13 Neighbourhood Development Plan

There has been a meeting with Steffan Saunder (Head of Planning, SDDC) and Francesca Siviter (Conservation Officer, SDDC) to review the Council's strategy intent and housing allocation for our NDP and plan is progressing well. The Group are currently reviewing the draft document of the plan and it is hoped this will be shared with parishioners later in the year. Once the draft plan is ready the Council will hold an open evening to present it to the village and ask for comments.

130224/14 Twyford Road Community Building

Revised plans were reviewed by the Councillors, this is to do with the 3 main proposed users of the building and the change in strategic need that they were planning on using it for so there has been a number of changes which includes a change in the toilet and kitchen layout. **RESOLVED to ask the architect to now re-submit to planning for approval.**

130224/15 Community Day

The Council discussed a recent community day held in Repton to see if Willington should hold a similar event.

RESOLVED that Cllr. Davenport would contact Repton Council for more information.

RESOLVED to set up a small working group to organise our annual events including remembrance and Christmas. Cllrs. Walters, Houghton, Davenport, Hudson and M. Bartram.

130224/16 Clerk's Report

Noted and attached.

130224/17 Meeting close

The meeting closed at 8:27pm.

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Signed:.....

Date:.....

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Payments to approve 13th February 2024					
Date	Method	Name	Description	VAT	Total Inc VAT
	BACS	SDCVS	Clerk's salary (Inv. 11652)		£ 1,241.75
	BACS	Contractor	Mowing of Twyford Road (09.11.23 - inv 4692)	£ 23.54	£ 141.24
	BACS	J. Houghton - Expenses	Xero Invoice Feb 24	£ 6.00	£ 36.00
	BACS	Willington Village Hall	Room hire (inv 5068)		£ 13.50
	BACS	Willington Village Hall	Room hire (inv 6024)		£ 29.25
	BACS	Willington Newsletter costs	Jan Feb 2024 edition		£ 339.83
	BACS	SDDC	Play area inspections (December) and repairs to climbing frame TA	£ 21.86	£ 650.16
	BACS	SDDC	Basket swing support post replacement following damage	£ 141.60	£ 849.60
	BACS	SDDC	Play area inspections (January) and repairs to elephant springy	£ 58.86	£ 353.16
	BACS	Groundsman	Groundsman duties (invoice 80)		£ 245.00
From Unity Trust Bank Statement					
26.01.24	DD	ICO	Data protection annual membership		£ 35.00
29.01.24	DD	EON	TRPF Changing rooms electric		£ 55.21
29.01.24	DD	EON	Bowls Club electric		£ 24.20
Total				£ 251.86	£ 4,013.90
Income since last meeting					
Various		Allotment income			£ 210.00
Total					£ 210.00

Clerks Report February 2024

COUNCIL 8TH JUNE 2021			
	080621/17 To Consider a Health Initiative Proposal Using Outdoor Gym	<p>RESOLVED that a personal trainer be approached to carry out three one-hour sessions over a three-week period at a cost of £40.00 per session. Evidence that they are fully insured and a risk assessment must be provided to the Clerk before this takes place.</p>	<p>Clerk to meet with a representative from SDDC on site. Look at a date early spring.</p>
FULL COUNCIL MEETING 11TH JANUARY 2022			
	110122/15 Village Green Application – Twyford Road Playing Fields	<p>RESOLVED for the Clerk to investigate how we can protect the playing field if the Village Green application is unsuccessful.</p>	Clerk is in discussions with Field in Trust.
	110122/19 Young Tree on Beech Avenue and Oaks Road	<p>The tree has a TPO attached to it, planning permission to prune has been requested. RESOLVED to accept a quote of £100, Clerk to check with Contractor the exact work he plans to undertake.</p>	<p>Clerk has a site visit with DCC on 11th May to considered. Permission now granted – to decide at the meeting when work is to be carried out. RESOLVED to carry out the work at the end of the year (it was reported it appears to have already been done). Clerk has requested the work to be carried out by another contractor.</p>
Full Council Meeting – 14th June 2022			
	140622/21 Correspondence b) Email from resident regarding SDDC Tree preservation Order records for trees in Willington	<p>RESOLVED to email SDDC, Strategic Director asking for an audit to be carried out.</p>	Emailed.
Full Council Meeting – 12th July 2022			
	<p>120722/18 Correspondence a) Marina parking (email from resident).</p>	<p>RESOLVED to ask County Council if wooden bollards could be placed around the area to prevent cars from being parked on the green.</p>	<p>Requested. Chased April 2023</p>
Full Council Meeting – 11th October 2022			
	<p>111022/29 Correspondence a) Canal Marina out of date map (email from resident)</p>	<p>The map at the marina is out of date (pharmacy at its old location) RESOLVED that the Clerk will investigate replacing.</p>	Being investigated.

<p>Other outstanding matter for Council's information:</p>
<p>Graffiti - please report any graffiti to the Clerk. Findern side of the railway bridge – reported to SDDC.</p>
<p>Centre of the village – zebra crossings Faded lines have been reported to DCC. Clerk continues to chase.</p>
<p>Tree planting at the marina for the Queen's Jubilee RESOLVED to request a cultivation license to enable this. Clerk to action.</p>
<p>Twyford Road playing field – a concrete bollard has been knocked over and damaged RESOLVED to replace at a maximum cost of £350. To remove the existing bollard and fit a new one (not included) a quote for £300 has been accepted. New bollard max cost £150. Total cost £450. RESOLVED to accept. Contractor instructed.</p>
<p>Hall Lane play area Minute ref 130623/16 - It was discussed whether the green fencing to the left of the footpath should be removed or replaced. RESOLVED to replace should the cost be £300 or below and the Clerk will go ahead if this is the case. Update: Awaiting contractor site visit. Update: quote received to replace fence link and posts approx. £2080. Other options to be investigated. 141123/19 a) <u>Hall Lane play area – chain link fence replacement</u> RESOLVED to accept a quote received for £688.13 + VAT to replace. Contractor instructed.</p>
<p>October 2023 Meeting Actions: - Look into repair on cemetery gate</p>
<p>November 2023 Meeting Actions: - 141123/15 Speed indicator devices (SIDs) for Willington Village The Council are considering 3 locations for a moveable device between the 3 sites. Twyford Road (by the school footpath), Castleway (by the access road to properties Nos 54 and the Vicarage) and Findern Lane (approach into Willington). RESOLVED to apply for the license first, then apply for the funding. If successful, bring back to Council.</p>
<p>January 2023 Meeting Actions: - 090124/10 Village Flooding The Council discussed the issues from the recent flooding and RESOLVED to set up a Flood Proactive Emergency Response Working Group to help with future flooding issues and concerns. A meeting will be arranged with Cllrs. Bates, Allsopp, Mead, Houghton, and Davenport (other members will be invited who are unable to attend this evening). - 090124/14 Bus Stop RESOLVED to install Polycarbonate panels to the Repton Road bus shelter at a cost of £1404 plus VAT. Should be installed within next two weeks.</p>