

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WATER ORTON PARISH COUNCIL

held at the Pavilion, Openfield Croft, at 7.00pm on Thursday 25 July 2024

**Present:** Cllr. S Stuart (Chair), Cllr. K Brown, Cllr. C Chown, Cllr. R Coldrick, Cllr. N Freeman, Cllr. R Lowe  
Cllr. W Ress, Cllr. D Room, Cllr. M Watson

**Guests in Attendance:** 3

**Minute Taker & Clerk:** Rachel Scully, clerk@wopc.org.uk

The Chair opened the meeting at 7.00pm

Agenda Item:	Minute:	Action:
<b>24.128</b>	<b>Apologies:</b> Cllr. D Reilly	
<b>24.129</b>	<b>Public participation:</b>  a) Members of the Public & Press There were no items for discussion  b) Reports from County and District Councillors (for information only) if present: This item was deferred down the agenda.  c) Report from Police representative (for information only) if present: A police representative did not attend the meeting, a police report was not available.	
<b>24.130</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest and dispensations:</b> None	
<b>24.131</b>	<b>Minutes:</b> It was RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 27 June 2024.	
<b>24.132</b>	<b>Reports from Chairman, Parish Councillors:</b> (For information only) Cllr Freeman's report was noted: There had been further discussions with BBV regarding assistance with securing a pedestrian sign. During the summer a designer Tee-shirt Competition will be running at the library at the same time as the Reading Challenge. The closing date for the competition would be Friday 30 August 2024 at 4.30pm. The prizes will be presented the following week when the reading challenge finishes. Cllr Stuart confirmed the delivery of the potatoe oven in readiness for the Spud Club which would operate on Mondays at the Methodist Church. There would be community games. Preloved school uniform would also be available.	
<b>24.133</b>	<b>Clerk's Report:</b> The Clerk's Report was noted.	

<b>24.134</b>	<b>Defibrillator:</b>	
	It was RESOLVED to approve the approximate cost of the installation of the defibrillator in the sum of £255. The Clerk is to arrange to meet with the electrician to look at the defibrillator, and to report back if the cost for the installation becomes more costly.	<b>RS</b>
<b>24.135</b>	<b>Correspondence: Water Orton United Football Club:</b>	
	Item was deferred down the agenda	
<b>24.129</b>	<b>Public Participation:</b>	
	b) Reports from County and District Councillors (for information only) if present: <b>Agenda Item moved during the meeting under Standing Order 10 a) vi</b> Cllr. Watson reported on the Community Grant Funding and the grants Awarded including £350.00 had been approved for a defibrillator for the Bowls. White lining for major routes in and out of the village had been approved. The job would be listed and would keep a chaser on the date as there is no confirmed date for the works. The footpath has been signed off and the job has been listed.	
<b>24.142</b>	<b>Planning:</b>	
142a)	<b>Agenda Item moved during the meeting under Standing Order 10 a) vi</b>  To consider new applications:  MW: General discussions took place regarding the proposed immense over development of areas which would put pressure on and overload existing infrastructure.  <b>Reference:</b> PAP/2024/0297 <b>Applicant:</b> Richborough Commercial <b>Address:</b> Land north and south of Junction 9 of the M42, Adjacent to Lichfield Road, (Grid Ref: Easting 418670.76, Northing 292844.94) <b>Details:</b> Outline planning application, with all matters reserved (except for access), for employment development (Use Class B2/B8 with ancillary E(g)), together with habitat creation, landscaping, parking, service yards, HGV waiting area, footpaths/cycleways, and other associated infrastructure. <b>Comments:</b> In writing before 09/08/2024 No comments.	
<b>24.135</b>	<b>Correspondence: Water Orton United Football Club:</b>	
	<b>Agenda Item moved during the meeting under Standing Order 10 a) vi</b> It was RESOLVED to approve a reduction of £62.50 per quarter on the rent for the pitch and changing facilities for the next 12 months.	

<b>24.136</b>	<b>Maintenance:</b>	
	<p>Cllr.Chown reported on the damage to the wet pour that had been chopped out. Cllr. Chown mentioned he had been in touch with Greyhound Leisure who confirmed that they would be able to attend the site to do the repairs in a few weeks. In the meantime it was agreed that Cllr. Chown would take advice from Greyhound Leisure regarding the type of recommended sand that could be put down as a temporary repair. Cllr. Freeman mentioned the hole at the playing field where the bin that had been burnt out and recommended that the hole should be filled with sand.</p> <p>It was agreed that the Clerk would look into the insurance policy regarding the damage to the wet pour.</p>	<b>RS</b>
<b>24.137</b>	<b>Finance:</b>	
137a)	The costs for any electrical repair to the van was not available. It was RESOLVED to approve delegated authority to the Clerk for any electrical repair to the van in the sum of £500.00.	
137b)	It was RESOLVED to approve the renewal of the Open Spaces Society subscription costs in the sum of £45.00.	
137c)	It was RESOLVED not to approve renewal of the Parish Online subscription costs in the sum of £189.00 plus VAT, the total sum being £226.80. It was approved that the costs would be considered within the budget and for the funding to be reserved for the Resources and Facilities Committee.	
137d)	It was RESOLVED to defer the payment of the invoice for Jerroms in the sum of £108.00 for the Finance Committee to consider. The Clerk to contact Jerroms to establish more detail in relation to the Parish Council's terms of engagement, the billing period for the invoices, and to request that the invoice is reissued with the billing period and for future invoices.	<b>RS</b>
137e)	It was RESOLVED to approve the payment of the invoice for North Warwickshire Borough Council for Trade Refuse Services in the sum of £1,205.06 if the sum in its entirety reflects the yearly amount. The Clerk to make further enquiries to establish if any of the amounts on the invoice relate to quarterly periods. The Clerk to refer back to the next full Parish Council meeting, if any of the amounts are quarterly.	<b>RS</b>
137f)	It was RESOLVED to approve the payment schedule up to 17 July 2024, and items paid under delegated authority.	
137g)	It was RESOLVED to approve the 2024-25 receipts and payments account and bank reconciliation.	
<b>24.138</b>	<b>Old Saltleians Ground-Siting of Dog Waste Bins:</b>	
	It was RESOLVED to email the Rugby Club with the approximate cost of the dog waste bins, that range from £180 to £280, the annual cost for clearance of the dog bins by North Warwickshire, ground and street maintenance being £313.04, and as discussed in the last meeting the bins should be sited inside their grounds, and ascertain whether they would be interested in being part of the contract with North Warwickshire.	<b>NF</b>

<b>24.139</b>	<b>North Warwickshire Borough Council-Draft Green Space Strategy:</b>	
	It was RESOLVED to approve the proposed priorities of the Parish Council for its green space to be considered within the Draft Green Space Strategy.	<b>SS</b>
<b>24.140</b>	<b>Warwickshire County Council Local Nature Recovery Strategy:</b>	
	It was RESOLVED that Cllr. Stuart would work on the survey. Any comments and responses should be sent to Cllr. Stuart by the end of day Sunday 11 August 2024, with a view to completing the survey week commencing Monday 12 August 2024.	<b>SS</b>
<b>24.141</b>	<b>Consultation on Polesworth Neighbourhood Plan (Regulation 16):</b>	
	There were no comments made during the meeting. It was agreed that should there be any comments these should be emailed to the Clerk by end of Sunday 18 August 2024.	<b>RS</b>
<b>24.142</b>	<b>Planning:</b>	
142a)	<p>Agenda Item was moved during the meeting</p> <p>To consider new applications:</p> <p><b>Reference:</b> PAP/2024/0297</p> <p><b>Applicant:</b> Richborough Commercial</p> <p><b>Address:</b> Land north and south of Junction 9 of the M42, Adjacent to Lichfield Road, (Grid Ref: Easting 418670.76, Northing 292844.94)</p> <p><b>Details:</b> Outline planning application, with all matters reserved (except for access), for employment development (Use Class B2/B8 with ancillary E(g)), together with habitat creation, landscaping, parking, service yards, HGV waiting area, footpaths/cycleways, and other associated infrastructure.</p> <p><b>Comments:</b> In writing before 09/08/2024</p>	
142b)	<p>To report decisions on previous planning applications made by North Warwickshire Borough Council (for information only)</p> <p><b>Reference:</b> PAP/2024/0219</p> <p><b>Address:</b> 20, Salisbury Drive, Water Orton, Birmingham, B46 1QJ</p> <p><b>Details:</b> Single Story Rear Extension (5.0 Metres Deep)</p> <p><b>Decision:</b> Granted-decision was noted.</p> <p><b>Reference:</b> PAP/2024/0016</p> <p><b>Address:</b> 19 Watton Lane, Water Orton, Birmingham, B46 1PH</p> <p><b>Details:</b> Proposed Dropped Kerb/Foot Crossing and a Vehicle Parking Space</p> <p><b>Decision:</b></p>	

	<p>Granted-decision was noted.</p> <p><b>Reference:</b> PAP/2024/0131</p> <p><b>Address:</b> 113, Coleshill Road, Water Orton, B46 1QD (Grid Ref: Easting 418311.3, Northing 290899.56)</p> <p><b>Details: :</b> Erection of single storey side extension and new pitch roof over existing flat roof</p> <p><b>Decision:</b> Granted-decision was noted.</p> <p><b>Reference:</b> PAP/2024/0254</p> <p><b>Address:</b> 16, Smiths Way, Water Orton, Birmingham, B46 1TW (Grid Ref: Easting 417078.58, Northing 291111.77)</p> <p><b>Details:</b> Extended conservatory with tile roof</p> <p><b>Comments:</b> Council received the above prior notification under Schedule 2 Part 1 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 on 7 June 2024.</p> <p><b>Decision:</b> Granted-decision was noted.</p> <p><b>Reference:</b> PAP/2024/0252</p> <p><b>Address:</b> 29, Coleshill Road, Water Orton, B46 1QX (Grid Ref: Easting 417781.35, Northing 290955.25)</p> <p><b>Details:</b> Erection of first floor side extension with pitched roof</p> <p><b>Decision:</b> Granted-decision was noted.</p>	
<b>24.143</b>	<b>Items for Next Meeting:</b>	
	Clerk to forward Agenda Item Reporting Sheet to Councillors. The sign, the gate, dates for other meetings.	
<b>24.144</b>	<b>Date, Time and Place of the next Parish Council Meeting:</b>	
	The next Parish Council is to be held on Thursday 26 September 2024 at 7.00pm at the Playing Field Pavilion, Openfield Croft, Water Orton.	
<b>24.145</b>	<b>Closed Session:</b>	
	The meeting did not move into a closed session.	

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.48pm

Signed:.....

Dated: .....

Chairman Initials.....

