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Wakes Colne Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 2nd. October 2024 at 7.15pm in Chappel & Wakes Colne Village Hall

Present: Cllrs W. Sunnucks (Chair), B. Walsh CCC Cllr D. Laws and Kevin B. Money (Parish Clerk). There was also 1 members of the public present.

136/2024 Apologies for Absence were received from CCC Cllr T. Rowe and Cllr P. Chillingworth

137/2024 Declaration of Members interests

To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary, Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary interest relating to items on the agenda **None Declared**

138/2024 To approve the minutes of the last meeting of Wakes Colne Parish Council

To receive and agree the minutes of the WCPC Meeting held on 4th. September 2024. This item is deferred to the November meeting

139/2024 Public Participation Session

A maximum of 15 minutes shall be allowed for public question time, and it is requested each member of the public speak for a maximum of 3 minutes.

Defibrillator

D. Stocker spoke about endeavouring to check the equipment weekly. It currently all seems in good working order. I will endeavour to order the 'starter pack' from Wel Medical. c£9.00

If you recall, this is to identify the full accessories required e.g. razor blades, wipes etc.

This is so we may purchase them individually as required.

Village Hall

Nothing to add since last month's report. Thank you for forwarding on details for the electrical safety grant.

Requirement Lists. Continues to evolve and updated with costings.

VAS A1124. The equipment is working however, I am afraid that we haven't been able to provide the usual report this month.

• Update on Bus Shelter at Wakes Hall Park on the A1124 at the Earls Colne-bound route from ECC Cllr L. Barber. A bus shelter should be installed on both sides of the road.

140/2024 Councillor vacancies – Update from the Clerk. A resident has come forward who may be co-opted at the November meeting.

141/2024 Planning Applications

241791 - Springfield Station Road Wakes Colne Colchester CO6 2DS

Application for variation of conditions 1 (drawings) and 2 (materials)following grant of planning permission 231702 **RESOLVED**: The Parish Council is concerned that the application changes the scale and orientation of the new dwelling, and that there will be a negative impact on neighbouring properties which are over-looked. We ask that the neighbours' objections be taken seriously and that steps be taken to fully mitigate the problems identified.

241872 - Ivy Green Farm Middle Green Wakes Colne Colchester CO6 2BJ

Proposed single storey rear extension

RESOLVED: Wakes Colne Parish Council has No Objections to this planning application

142/2024 Planning Decisions made by CCC affecting Wakes Colne

241449 - Ivy Green Farm Middle Green Wakes Colne Colchester CO6 2BJ

Notification for prior approval for a proposed single storey rear extension extending 6 metres beyond the rear wall of the original dwelling, with a maximum height of 3.4 metres, and eaves height of 2.625 metres. The decision made is: Prior Approval Required **(Refused)**

241543 - Hushwing Farm Mount Bures Road Wakes Colne Colchester CO6 2AP – No Decision made **241604 -** 4-5 Wakes Hall Park Manor House Colchester Road Wakes Colne Essex CO6 2FH – No Decision made

241609 - Loveneys Middle Green Wakes Colne Essex CO6 2BJ - No Decision made

143/2024 Finance

a) To receive the Bank balances as at 30th. September 2024

Councillors noted the Bank balances as at 30th. September 2024

b) To receive the comparison of Actual against Budget for 2024/2025

Councillors noted the comparison of Actual against Budget for 2024/2025

c) To approve payments for October 2024 and to agree a transfer of funds to meet the Parish Council financial requirements. **All Agreed**

d) Grant applications - update on any applications received. None received

e) Cllr W. Sunnucks proposed transferring £3500 from the current account to EMR account for the hedge and footpath cutting at A1124 Colchester Road. Cllr B. Walsh seconded. All Agreed

144/2024 Budget 2025/2026. Councillors to discuss draft budget

Councillors discussed the 1st. draft of the 2025-2026 budget

145/2024 To receive reports from outside bodies, training courses, representatives on village committees and Parish Council working groups

In the absence of Cllr P. Chillingworth Cllr W. Sunnucks read out his report. It read

I sent you the response from Nick Percival about work to the footpath along the A1124 from the VH to the church. It is unclear whether he will action our request, but I rather assume he will, although perhaps, from his comment about Highways, not clearing the encroaching earth. However, I will have to chase him again if I do not hear more soon.

Regarding the encroaching hedge in Lower Green, I have not heard from the occupiers, and wonder whether Kevin has heard anything? If not, I propose to call. If unresponsive, may be check with immediate neighbours to ask if they have seen any recent activity

146/2024 Items for next agenda

2025-2026 budget: Bus shelter maintenance:

147/2024 To confirm date and time of next meeting. Wednesday 6th. November 2024 at 7.15pm Councillors to note 2024 meeting dates 04.12.24

148/2024Councillors to agree the 2025 meeting dates05.02.25:05.03.25:02.04.25:07.05.25:04.06.25:03.09.25:01.10.25:05.11.25:03.12.25

149/2024 Closure of the meeting

To close the meeting having considered and determined all items of business

The Chair then closed the meeting at 8.30pm and thanked everyone for attending

Signed

WSannacks Willam Sunnucks - Chair 6th. November 2024