

**Minutes of Worton Parish Council held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April in Worton Village Hall at 7.30pm.**

**Present:** Cllr Barry Devine (BD) (Chair); Cllr Richard Slack (RS) (Vice Chair); Cllr Robert Goss (RG); Cllr Malcolm Powell (MP), Cllr Dicky Parsons (DP), Cllr Nick Stokes (NS), Cllr Patricia Goodenough (PG)

**Also present:** Cllr Tamara Reay (Wilts Council TR); 2 members of the public

**Apologies:** Cllr Chris Collins (CC)

01/23/24	<b>Apologies for absence:</b> The Chairman received apologies for absence.
02/23/24	<b>Declaration of members interests:</b> None
03/23/24	<b>Minutes of meeting held on March 6th Resolved:</b> It was proposed by RG, seconded by RS and agreed by all that the minutes were an accurate record. The minutes were duly signed.
	<p><b>The Chairman declared that the meeting was temporarily suspended to allow for an open session for 15 minutes where members of the public may make representations, answer questions and give evidence in respect of the business on the agenda.</b></p> <p>There were no comments.</p> <p><b>There were no further comments from the public therefore the Chairman closed the Open Session.</b></p>
04/23/24	<p><b>Wiltshire Councillor's Report:</b> TR reported that Wiltshire Council have a continued focus on potholes with £28M in funding announced. Residents are to be urged to report potholes via the app or website or to report to TR directly.</p> <p>Devizes Gateway interim study has concluded that a stand-alone railway station would not be feasible but a case could be made to extend rail connections from London Paddington beyond Great Bedwyn to Pewsey, Devizes Gateway and Westbury. Decision for this could be within 12 months. Danny Kruger, Michelle Donalan and TR will continue to work to push forward.</p> <p>Devizes Area local cycling and walking infrastructure plan is shortly going out to consultation. TR to update accordingly.</p>
05/23/24	<p><b>Transport and Road Safety (RS/DP/SB)</b></p> <p>a) Thanks to Bob Mitchell for his work on the SIDs. Data to date shows 95% of cars are adhering to the speed limits, a significant improvement since the SIDs have been installed. It was also reported that the solar panels are working efficiently.</p> <p><b>Action</b> RS to feedback speed watch data to Dominic Muns. Remaining data to be downloaded and recommendations to be made on when/where to move SID next; resident has requested update.</p> <p>b) LHFIFG – RS to send a written update for meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> April. TR has requested meeting be broken down into 30 minutes slots so there is no requirement to attend entire meeting.</p> <p><b>Action</b> BD to confirm he can attend in place of RS if needed.</p>

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	<p>Group of councillors to walk village to identify areas for improvement prior to Village Meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> May. Bob Marshall to join village walking group. RS and BM to liaise on possible dates towards end of April. RS suggested consultation to be held on possible next steps at the Parish Meeting.</p> <p>c) Blackdog Consultation -TR updated that they are about to start consultation with landowners. RS to ask LHFIG for an update in due course.</p> <p>d) MP advised bollards in High Street have been fixed and new plants are being planted by Gardening Club in the refurbished planters.</p>															
<p><b>06/23/24</b></p>	<p><b>Leisure Facilities, Appearance and Environment (MP/NS/RG/CC)</b></p> <p>a) Tree Planting (PG). 90 trees have arrived from Woodland Trust. Families are invited to plant a tree and name them on Good Friday. People asked to donate to kitchen fund if they plant a tree. 54 trees have already been planted.</p> <p>b) Queens Jubilee Walkway update (PG). Plaque has arrived. Donation to support plaque is recommended at £500, plus £250 for installation. To be on next agenda for approval. Application to be put into Solar Fund. JS and PG to complete form</p>															
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<p><b>08/23/24</b></p>	<p><b>Community and Learning:</b> Departure of vicar was noted. Official farewell service at Potterne Church on 16<sup>th</sup> April. BD to attend on behalf of WPC.</p>															

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	<p>Coronation Weekend – church and village hall running events. BD to mention in The Bridge.</p> <p>Worton and Potterne Brownies requesting funding. JS to forward correspondence to TR for assistance.</p>																				
<b>09/23/24</b>	<p><b>Communications:</b></p> <p>a) Correspondence: none received that needed further action</p>																				
<b>10/23/24</b>	<p><b>Finance:</b></p> <p>a) Quote from Mark Goddard agreed. Proposed by RS and seconded by PG.</p> <p>b) Draft accounts to be completed by end of April.</p> <p>c) Purchase of new laptop agreed at £549. MP proposed and NS seconded.</p> <p>d) Accounts to be paid:</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> The following payments to be authorised:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th><i>Payable to</i></th> <th><i>Net</i></th> <th><i>VAT</i></th> <th><i>Gross</i></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>HMRC/J Slack</td> <td>436.48</td> <td>0.00</td> <td>436.48</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Malcolm Powell Expenses</td> <td>39.97</td> <td>0.00</td> <td>39.97</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Parish Online</td> <td>64.80</td> <td>0.00</td> <td>64.80</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Total</b></td> <td><b>541.25</b></td> <td><b>0.00</b></td> <td><b>541.25</b></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Proposed by BD, seconded by DP.</p>	<i>Payable to</i>	<i>Net</i>	<i>VAT</i>	<i>Gross</i>	HMRC/J Slack	436.48	0.00	436.48	Malcolm Powell Expenses	39.97	0.00	39.97	Parish Online	64.80	0.00	64.80	<b>Total</b>	<b>541.25</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>541.25</b>
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<b>11/23/24</b>	<p><b>Items to be considered for the agenda for the next meeting and questions to the Council</b> (a question shall not require a response at the meeting nor start a debate on the question. The chairman of the meeting may direct that a written or oral response be given)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Funding for plaque</li> </ul>																				
	<p><b>Key messages:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Village meeting to include update on village plan, feedback on transport issues and ideas and housing development</li> </ul>																				
	<p><b>Date of next meeting: Date of next meeting:</b> Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023. This will be held at 7.30pm in Worton Village Hall.</p>																				

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