

**Minutes of Worton Parish Council held on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2025 in Worton Village Hall at 7:00pm.**

**Present:** Cllr Barry Devine (BD Chair), Cllr Malcolm Powell (MP), Cllr Patricia Goodenough (PG), Cllr Nick Stokes (NS), Cllr Rob Goss

**Also present:** Cllr Tamara Reay, Bob Mitchell, Lionel Dawson, David and Christine Johnson

113/24/25	<b>Apologies for absence:</b> The Chairman received apologies for absence from Cllr Richard Slack (RS), Cllr Chris Collins (CC), Cllr Anthony Higgins (AH), Cllr Dickie Parsons (DP)								
114/24/25	<p><b>Declaration of members interests:</b> RS declared an interest in the Clerk's salary and maintains his position of not participating on discussions and approvals of payments to the Clerk.</p>								
115/24/25	<p><b>Minutes of meeting held on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December</b>, proposed by MP seconded by NS, and agreed by all that the minutes were an accurate record. The minutes were signed.</p>								
	<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>								
116/24/25	<p><b>Wiltshire Councillor's Report – TR</b> Local Transport Plan consultation – closes 24/01. Webinar 13/01 for update. Government has published devolution plan – moving to strategic authorities / partnerships. Further updates to follow.</p>								
117/24/25	<p><b>Transport and Road Safety (RS/DP)</b> Nothing to report.</p>								
118/24/25	<p><b>Leisure Facilities, Appearance and Environment (MP/NS/RG/CC)</b> Best Kept Village: inspectors visit takes place May/June. Further presentation at newcomers evening. Next planning session to take place in March, date tbc. Further volunteers needed. Decision needed on inclusion of Newland Homes. Repair of bus shelters – maintenance assistance to be requested from local businesses and school.  Village Hall update – open event on 15<sup>th</sup> January 6:80pm – 8:30pm. BD to attend.  Thank you to Michael Stokes for clearing the brambles off the side of Church Lane.</p>								
119/24/25	<p><b>Planning (DP/NS)</b></p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td><b>App number</b> PL/2024/11395</td><td><b>Address</b> Hurst Farm, Cheverell Road, Worton SN10 5UN</td><td><b>Description</b> Proposed refurbishment, alterations and two story extension. NO OBJECTION</td></tr> <tr> <td>PL/2024/11505</td><td>Prince Hill House, 165 High Street, Worton</td><td>G1 Leylandi Hedge reduce by 3m in height and 1m on the sides. NO OBJECTION</td></tr> </table>			<b>App number</b> PL/2024/11395	<b>Address</b> Hurst Farm, Cheverell Road, Worton SN10 5UN	<b>Description</b> Proposed refurbishment, alterations and two story extension. NO OBJECTION	PL/2024/11505	Prince Hill House, 165 High Street, Worton	G1 Leylandi Hedge reduce by 3m in height and 1m on the sides. NO OBJECTION
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	PL/2024/07962	Sandleaze Farm, High Street, Worton SN10 5RU	Amended plans for demolition of existing bungalow and erection of 2 detached dwellings, associated garages and landscaping. NO CHANGES																																		
120/24/25	<b>Community and Learning</b> WW2 Event: request for use of car park at Whatley's. Insurance to be covered by Parish Council as a working group. Financial request for expenses to be put through Solar Fund.																																				
121/24/25	<b>Communications:</b> Parking situation in Sandleaze. TR to follow up with Aster re old allotment spaces. Message to be communicated on Facebook and in The Bridge.  Newlands Open Event attendance; Nick Stokes, Barry Devine, Malcolm Powell.  Review of election process; will be put in February edition of The Bridge.																																				
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123/24/25	<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). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Best Kept Village</li> <li>- Budget / Reserve Fund Allocation</li> <li>- Church Wall update</li> <li>- Mark Goddard's contract</li> </ul>																																				
124/24/25	<b>Key messages:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Election process</li> <li>-</li> </ul>																																				
	<b>Date of next meeting:</b> Monday 3rd February 2025 7:00pm in Worton Village Hall.																																				

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