

**DRAFT Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting of the above-named Parish Council held on
Tuesday 22nd October 2024 at Wimbotsham Methodist Church**

Parish Councillors: Cllr Dean Chilvers (Chairman), Cllr David Fendley, Cllr Steve Mingay,
Cllr Anne Smith and Cllr Jackie Squires
Parish Clerk: N Forrest
County Councillor: Brian Long
Borough Councillor: Colin Rose
Member of Public: One

88/24 To receive Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received in advance from Cllr Chris Hitchens

Apologies were received from Councillor V Spikings

89/24 Councillor Vacancies

No applications were received

90/24 To receive Declarations of Interest

None received

91/24 Minutes of the ordinary meeting 10th September 2024

Having been circulated previously, the minutes from 10th September 2024 were approved and signed by the Chairman as an accurate record.

92/24 To report progress on items not on the agenda from the last meeting (information only)

The new noticeboard is up and we have received a lot of compliments and we have asked NCC Highways to move a bus route to accommodate residents using the bus stop and not the village green.

Cllr Mingay arrived at 7.08pm

93/24 Public Participation

A member of public stated they sent in a letter to the Council as they seen children playing on the village sign.

ACTION: It was agreed to send an email to the school to request children not play on the village sign as the wood is rotten away and the Council are replacing the sign.

94/24 Reports

94.1 Norfolk County Council

Cllr Long gave a verbal update including his new position as chairman of the new Police and Crime Panel, they will scrutinise the police crime commissioner of Norfolk and investigate complaints. Norfolk is in urgent need of foster carers.

94.2 Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk

Cllr Rose sent a report prior to the meeting.

95/24 To receive Correspondence

Correspondence received was discussed during the public participation.

96/24 Christmas tree for the village green

The Recreation Ground committee requested the Council purchase a Christmas Tree for the village green, music sheets for carolling and mince pies for the light switch on.

ACTION: After a discussion, it was unanimously agreed to spend £300 to purchase a 20ft Christmas Tree for the village green, music sheets for carolling and mince pies for the light switch on.

97/24 Village sign

Three quotes have been received for a new village sign.

ACTION: After a discussion, it was unanimously agreed to search for a local artist to design and paint the village sign, and agree on quotes when the design has been approved.

98/24 Café Connect

Cllr Squired asked the council what should be done with the profits made at Café Connect.

ACTION: It was unanimously agreed to pay the Council for the hire of the venue and spend the profits on a Christmas Event at the Café.

99/24 Remembrance Day

Rev Canon Dr. David Karoon is available on Monday to offer a service.

ACTION: It was unanimously agreed to invite the school to come and join the service on Monday 11th November 2024 at 11am.

100/24 Repair Cafe

The Clerk submitted a grant application for £1000 towards a repair café to assist residents in the village and surrounding areas on electrical safety and PAT testing of electronics.

ACTION: Cllr Hitchen and the Clerk will book electrical safety workshops once funding is received.

101/24 Reports

101.1 Village Hall

Cllr Fendley stated the village hall is working well with the new volunteers, they will start to run bingo sessions in the next few months and there is a quiz night on Friday 13th December at 7pm.

101.2 Recreation Ground

Cllr Mingay stated he has fixed some of the damage that has been done to the play equipment but would like some additional volunteers for the Recreation Ground committee, the Mid-Summer Fair will be held in June and any volunteers will be appreciated.

101.3 Village Green

Cllr Mingay stated there are moles on the village green and the recreation ground.

ACTION: The Clerk will gather quotes for pest control.

101.4 Footpaths

Cllr Chilvers stated the paths are in good condition but the steps on Low Road need attention.

ACTION: The Clerk will contact Holly Landscapes

101.5 100 Acre Trust

Nothing to report

101.6 Allotments

Cllr Squires stated the allotment AGM will be held at the village hall on October 28th 2024.

102/24 Planning Applications

102.1 Results on Applications

Increase in the height of the existing outbuilding situated to the front garden/driveway, 65 West Way, Wimbotsham. **Approved by King's Lynn & West Norfolk Borough Council**
Wimbotsham Parish Council: The Council object to the planning application as the proposal is to raise the height of the existing structure which will make its presence even more obvious, the building is also in front of the planning line and the cladding is not in keeping with the area. The line of houses

number 65 sits within has long open front gardens and adding to the height of this building will spoil the open line of view of the street.

102.2 Applications Received

None Received

102.3 Information Received

None received

103/24 Finance Matters

103.1 To receive the External Audit Report and Certificate 2023/24

Received and noted.

103.2 To receive the budget for Q2

Received and noted.

103.3 Approve payments of Accounts for September 2024

ACTION: It was unanimously agreed to approve the accounts for September 2024

103.4 Approve Bank Reconciliation

ACTION: It was unanimously agreed to approve the Bank Reconciliation up to the agenda.

104/24 It was agreed the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday 10th December 2024, from 7pm.

Meeting Closed 8.25pm

Chairman.....

Date.....

Accounts to 31 October 2024	IN (£)	OUT (£)	TOTAL (£)
<u>Parish Business Saver Account 00971790</u>			
Amount carried forward			£41,320.39
Wimbotsham Current Account			
Interest	£		
Balance			<u>£41,320.39</u>

Parish Community Account 00971782

Amount carried forward		£44,525.76
Amount credited	£	
Amount debited		
PKF Littlejohn	£252	
Mark Errington	£72	
Holly Landscapes	£587.30	
Holly Landscapes	£529.70	
Clerk Payment	£210.30	
Pension	£79.29	
Holly Landscapes	£270.90	
Holly Landscapes	£529.70	
Total	£	<u>£44,525.76</u>
No outstanding payments		

Balance: £

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Balance: **£91,156.35**

Chairman_____

Date_____