

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2025 held in Walesby Village Hall

Meeting opened 6:30pm

Present: Cllr Smith Cllr Whittaker-Smith Cllr Allan

### 1. To receive and accept apologies for absence

None received

### 2. To receive declarations of interest

None received

### 25/01 To confirm the minutes of previous Parish Council Meeting

The minutes were accepted.

**Prop: Cllr Allan**

**Sec: Cllr Whittaker-Smith**

**decision was unanimous**

### 25/02 Clerk's report on items from the previous meeting

- Clerk found more information regarding Lloyds now charging for the bank account. It was found the most other banks charged more than the proposed charge by Lloyds and thoughts were that those that didn't currently charge were looking to start in the next few months. It was therefore decided by the Parish Councillors (via email discussions prior to this meeting as it was a time sensitive decision) that it was best to remain with Lloyds for the time being.
- A quote to replace the carpet and flooring in the kitchen area has been received. Following a discussion it was decided to accept the quote from Carpet Bargain Centre.

**Prop: Cllr Whittaker-Smith**

**Sec: Cllr Allan**

**decision was unanimous**

### 25/03 The Allotments: to discuss their uptake and issues

- Clerk has now been able to obtain another quote for the clearance work, although has not been able to get a third for comparison. Following a discussion and bearing in mind that this is now a time sensitive issue (before the growing season starts) it was decided to award the clearance work near the churchyard to Tailor Made Garden Renovations.

**Prop: Cllr Allan**

**Sec: Cllr Whittaker-Smith**

**decision was unanimous**

- There are now 7 empty allotments, the work to clear these will also be discussed with Tailor Made Garden Renovations.

### 25/04 To decide on Precept request for the coming financial year to include review of this year so far

- Following a discussion it was decided to request a Precept of £50847.00 for the 2025-2026 financial year. This is an increase of 7% compared to the current financial year in order to help offset some of the rising costs which will be faced in the coming year.

**Prop: Cllr Whittaker-Smith**

**Sec: Cllr Allan**

**decision was unanimous**

### 25/05 To approve Grounds Maintenance Tender documents prior to circulation

- These were approved and will begin to be circulated by the Clerk next week.

**Prop: Cllr Allan**

**Sec: Cllr Whittaker-Smith**

**decision was unanimous**

### 25/06 Planning: To discuss any received planning applications

None received

### 25/07 Payments for approval

All payments were approved

**Prop: Cllr Whittaker-Smith**

**Sec: Cllr Allan**

**decision was unanimous**

### 25/08 To receive items for information and future meetings

- The Clerk reported that another email had been received from N&SDC regarding the purchase of Aquasacs. Following a discussion the same discussion not to purchase any aquasacs was made as at the current time the Parish Council are unaware of any need for them.

**25/09 To suspend standing orders for public participation**  
None present.

**25/10 Time and date of next meeting**  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at 6:30pm

**Meeting closed at 7:07 pm**