

WALDRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting held via the Zoom online platform on Tuesday 12th January 2021

- 1 Present** Cllr Moist (Chair) Cllr McCrystal
Cllr Foster Cllr Howie
Cllr Sexton Cllr Lewcock
Cllr Morrison Cllr Graham
Ian Heaviside (Locum Clerk)
- 2 Welcome** The chair welcomed all present to the meeting
- 3 Apologies** Apologies were received from Cllr Corner and Cllr Magee which were accepted by those present
- 4 Declarations of Interest** No member of the Council declared an interest on any agenda item
- 5 Police Liaison Report** No police Report was submitted
- 6 Minutes** The minutes of the meeting held on 8th December 2020 were accepted as a true record
- 7 Financial Matters** The following income and expenditure was reported and agreed:

Expenditure:

HMRC	£	716.28
Millennium Green Insurance	£	218.00
Salaries	£	1,054.10
Playsafe Limited (play area inspection)	£	164.40
British Gas Boiler Cover	£	25.63
Parish Room Clearance	£	400.00
Anglian Water	£	66.31
Three Mobile	£	22.00
Defib Hire	£	53.88
Food Parcels	£	58.86
E On Gas and Electricity	£	75.00
Broadband	£	42.59
Website hosting costs	£	173.98

Income:

DCC Covid Grants December 20	£	934.00
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The Q3 Budget Statement and the Draft Budget and Precept proposals were presented as part of the Budget Process. (refer to Motion 2)

8 Parish Matters

- a **County Councillors Report:**
No report was delivered
- b **Planning Applications:**
No planning applications were submitted
- c **Planning Applications submitted after agenda :**
There were no applications to report
- d **Correspondence Received:**
Correspondence from ACAS re staffing matter (reported elsewhere)
- e **Correspondence Received after agenda:**
No Correspondence received after agenda published
- f **Using Parish Rooms as a lending library:**
It was agreed to shelve this idea until the pandemic was over
- h **Official E Mail address and Domain:**
This process is still ongoing
- i **Parish Rooms Refurbishment:**
This process is still ongoing however the fire officer cannot attend site until at least the end of May
- j **Help for the vulnerable:**
District Nurses have been unable to give their usual help as their numbers have been cut by those self isolating however 2 parcels have been delivered since the last meeting
- k **Report on Double Taxation and County Durham**
It was resolved that WPC would not become involved with this proposal

9 Motions

1 **Proposed by Paul Sexton seconded by Bill Moist**

Parish Current Bank Account – To open a new current account with Unity Trust Bank with Cllrs Moist, Morrison, Sexton & Foster and the Parish Clerk as signatories. This item was carried by those present

Parish Savings Bank Account – To open a new savings account with Redwood Bank. The account is a 90 notice account currently bearing 1% interest. All deposits and withdrawals will be made via the Parish Councils current account so there is no requirement for additional signatories. This was agreed by those present as soon as the current account is active.

2 **Proposed by Bill Moist seconded by Paul Sexton**

The proposal to freeze the parish precept for the forthcoming year was accepted by those present.

The proposal to adopt the draft Budget for 2021/2022 in the sum of £94,824.00 and the precept amount in the sum of £65385.00 was accepted by those present

3 Proposed by Bill Moist seconded by Paul Sexton

The proposal to update the WPC website / Social Media pages with the aim to manage and use them as a real-time communication tool, that the WPC clippings will become virtual throughout 2021 was accepted by those present

4 Proposed by Bill Moist seconded by Paul Sexton

The proposal to lodge our objections against The 7% increase to the precept amount for the Police and Crime Commissioners budget for the 2021/22 financial year was agreed by those present

10 Next Meeting

Tuesday 9th February 2021

Signed _____ D Moist Chair Date _____