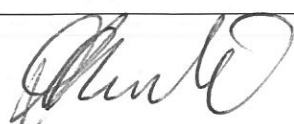


WENTWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council
Held at the Mechanic's Institute, Wentworth
on Monday 19th December 2016 commenced at 6.30PM

Present 4591.	<p>Councillor Mr D. Hunton (Chairman) Councillor Mr E. Bradley (Deputy Chairman) Councillors Mr W. Crawford, Mrs C. Shaw, Mr B. McNamara, Ms L. Stevenson, Mrs V. Sykes, Mrs M.R. Dickerson, Mr J. Daley WRA Mr G. Cook (until 7.40pm) Police Commissioner Dr A. Billings (until 7.40pm) SY Police PCSO P. Gray, PCSO D. Wright (until 7.40pm)</p>	
Minutes 4592.	<p>The minutes of the meeting held on 21st November 2016 are accepted as a true record and are authorised to be signed by the Chairman</p> <p>Proposed Councillor Crawford Seconded Councillor Shaw</p>	
Matters Raised By Parishioners 4593.	<p>Mr Cook raised the matter of funding for community speed watch signs. It was proposed that the parish council funds for signs for use across the parish.</p> <p>Proposed Councillor Hunton Seconded Councillor Stevenson</p> <p>Resolved By unanimous vote the parish council will purchase 4 community speed watch signs.</p> <p>4594. It was noted that there has been an increase in crimes across the parish involving vehicles, alloy wheel theft, damage and theft of items from vehicles. Crimes have occurred in private driveways and public car parks. The PCSOs were not advised of the crimes, it is thought communication within the police has worsened after the abolition of the SNTs and the move to Wath police station. It appears that a gang covering a large area in Derbyshire and South Yorkshire is targeting Corsa vehicles and removing parts and panels. A letter is to be sent to the police asking that communication be restored between the force and the PCSOs so that they are aware of reported crimes. It was noted that the Chairman of the WRA has complained that all police matters raised at the area assemblies, relate to the Swinton area.</p>	JH
The Police Commissioner 4595.	<p>The Police Commissioner thanked members for the opportunity to meet with the parish councillors and commented that meetings with local groups are the best way to find out about issues. He was pleased to note that the PCSOs were in attendance. Dr Billings explained the role of a police commissioner, which is predominantly to hold the police to account and set priorities for the force. He explained the current priorities;</p> <p>To make South Yorkshire a safe place, this is the overriding priority and within this;</p> <p>To protect vulnerable people To tackle crime and anti-social behaviour To ensure fair treatment for all</p> <p>4596. Dr Billings went on to explain the issues facing the South Yorkshire force and the budget constraints which are occurring and are expected to occur in the future from past high profile issues.</p> <p>4597. Members then discussed areas of concern within the parish, the recent crimes, traffic speed issues and the needs of an ageing and what members consider to be, a community deprived of many services. The issue of visible policing was discussed and the role of new technology which allows officers to spend less time on reporting. The role of PCSOs was discussed and the possibility of extending the role, the issue of emergency vehicle access to the new super motorway structure recently introduced and the suspension of the Chief Constable after the Hillsborough inquiry.</p> <p>4598. The issue of call waiting times on the 101 number was discussed and Dr Billings explained that from 2017 the police commissioners could take on responsibility for the fire and rescue services, but that there are currently no plans to do this in the South Yorkshire area.</p>	



	<p>4599. Members asked if there were any benefits of a more integrated service between the police and social services, allowing greater access to vulnerable victims of crime. Dr Billings noted that for some crimes, victim support and counselling is available.</p> <p>4600. Councillor Hunton thanked the police commissioner and PCSOs for attending and it was thought that a public meeting later in the year with the police commissioner may be beneficial.</p> <p>Dr Billings, PCSOs Gray and Wright and Mr Cook left the meeting at 7.40pm</p>																										
<p>Matters Arising</p>	<p>4601. Playdale have responded to the request of look at items covered by warranty at the Harley playing field. It appears that only the timber items are covered and all fixings, delivery and installation must be paid for. Only two timbers are to be replaced under warranty, the swing seats are not covered. Councillors Shaw and Crawford are to discuss the matter further with HVP.</p> <p>4602. A letter of appreciation is to be sent to Wendy Cooper for preparing the cricket club teas for over 40 years.</p> <p>4603. BT are to remove two red phone kiosks, one at Angel Lane and one on Street Lane. RMBC is currently opposing the removal at Street Lane, but the Angel Lane kiosk may be available for adoption. Councillor Daley is to discuss the matter with local residents</p>	<p>CS/BC</p> <p>JH/DH</p> <p>JD</p>																									
<p>Finance</p>	<p>4604. Authorisation of cheques and Direct Debit payments for December</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>RMBC</td> <td>1294</td> <td>£</td> <td>337.80</td> <td>Play inspections</td> </tr> <tr> <td>R Stevenson</td> <td>1295</td> <td>£</td> <td>5.00</td> <td>Expenses</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HMRC</td> <td>1296</td> <td>£</td> <td>120.80</td> <td>PAYE November</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Clerk</td> <td>1297</td> <td>£</td> <td>234.17</td> <td>Salary & Expenses November</td> </tr> <tr> <td>J O'Brien</td> <td>1298</td> <td>£</td> <td>70.00</td> <td>Grounds maintenance</td> </tr> </table> <p>Proposed Councillor Bradley Seconded Councillor Crawford</p>	RMBC	1294	£	337.80	Play inspections	R Stevenson	1295	£	5.00	Expenses	HMRC	1296	£	120.80	PAYE November	Clerk	1297	£	234.17	Salary & Expenses November	J O'Brien	1298	£	70.00	Grounds maintenance	
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<p>Open Forum</p>	<p>4605. The date of the May meeting is to be changed to the 22nd May.</p>																										
<p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>4606. The next meeting is confirmed as the 16th January 2017 at 6.30pm at the Mechanic's Institute. Agenda to be distributed.</p>																										

The Meeting closed at 8.00pm



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