

**WHITWELL PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Meeting of the Council**  
**Held at 19:00 on Wednesday 9 October 2024**

**Present:**

Councillor T Munro (Chair)  
Councillor D Munro  
Councillor J Raspin  
County Councillor M Yates

Councillor K Austin  
Councillor J Paget

Councillor S Maiden  
Councillor F Raspin

1. **To Receive and Accept Apologies and Reasons for Absence** – Apologies and reasons were received and accepted from Cllr H Green.
2. **To record declarations of personal and disclosable pecuniary interests from members on any items to be discussed** - None.
3. **To receive and approve requests for dispensations from members on matters in which they have a disclosable pecuniary interest (forms to be completed before the meeting)** – None.
4. **Public Participation Session** – to allow members of the public to speak to the meeting (no decisions can be made on any items raised in this session).
  - 4.1. **Members of the Parish Council and public to raise matters of importance with the Police**

No Police present. No crime report. The following issues were raised: -

    - 4.1.1. Noisy vehicle driving in the middle of the night from Fox Road down part of Welbeck Street. There is another vehicle which makes a loud noise when changing gear. Evidence is required for Police.
  - 4.2. **Members of the Parish Council and the public to raise matters of importance with the County Councillor**

Cllr M Yates reported on the following: -

    - Responses to DCC's consultation on closure of 11 care homes are being analysed.
    - Closure of 10 Early Help & Children's Centres, with 1 in Creswell staying open.
    - Boundary Review of Electoral Division Arrangements completed.
    - Streetlights defects to be reported to him.
    - Pothole repairs carried out.
    - Community Fund - £500 donated to Whitwell Music Festival.
    - Parking fine scam.
    - Water beads warning.
    - Household waste recycling centres new opening times.
    - Library opening times consultation.
    - Inspection of overgrown hedges on Mill Lane and Bakestone Moor.

The following issues were raised: -

    - 4.2.1 Approx 200m of hedging on the A619 near Southgate Crossroads seems to have been battered when recently cut – Cllr Yates will inspect.
    - 4.2.2 Footpath 23 Doles Lane to Longcroft View requires cutting.
    - 4.2.3 The "Bus Stop" writing on Bakestone Moor has been re-painted in the wrong place as the bus stop has moved.
    - 4.2.4 WPC is pleased that the crossing on Bakestone Moor has been repainted but disappointed that other markings have not been re-painted whilst this was being carried out.
    - 4.2.5 The new speed limit signs and dragon's teeth markings have not yet been installed on High Street.

4.2.6 A streetlight at the end of Parkway is obstructed by a tree.

Cllr M Yates left at 19:23

4.3. Members of the public to raise matters of importance with the Councillors present

**District Council**

Cllr T Munro reported that planning application 24/00414/FUL has been called in to be considered by the full planning committee.

BDC is having an advertising campaign to raise awareness of the winter fuel allowance.

The following issues were raised: -

4.3.1 Fly tipping on Worksop Road and on the Corner of Doles Lane/Worksop Road.

4.3.2 Fly tipping on the slip road towards the services past Pebley.

**Parish Council** – No issues were raised

5. **To consider for approval the Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 18 September 2024**

It was **resolved** that the minutes of the Meeting held on 18 September 2024 be approved and duly signed by the Chairman.

6. **To consider any matters arising (for information only) from the Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 18 September 2024**

Item 4.1 – WPC was impressed with PCSO Fox's knowledge and enthusiasm.

Item 4.1.3 – Concern raised that a CCTV camera is movable and could become intrusive. There are several cameras in the village with data controllers not stated and therefore no indication that they comply with the appropriate regulations.

Item 10 – Clerk had circulated advice from the Council's insurers on volunteer litter-pickers.

Item 11 – WPC would have to purchase its own banner to advertise Extreme Wheels on site.

Item 12 – Clerk and Cllrs D Munro and T Munro met with BDC Officers at Whitwell Common Recreation Ground, who would forward a proposal. A meeting with BDC's Woodlands Officer to be arranged with the Climate Change Group to formulate a plan to seek permission from BDC for hedgerow planting.

Item 13.3 – Cllr S Maiden reported on his attendance at the River Idle Management Partnership.

Item 13.8 – Response received from the Trinity Methodist Circuit Operations Manager. WPC to respond that due to inaccessibility/parking issues they would not be able to make use the building for community use.

Item 13.14 – Cllr T Munro reminded Councillors about their invitation to his Civic Dinner on 29.11.24.

Item 13.15 – Gas supply at WCC to be discussed at the library meeting with Robert Clayton on 14 October.

Item 15 – The unauthorised gate at the Station Road allotment site has been locked since WPC resolved a few years ago to reinstate the whole boundary following issues with use of manure from the horse field.

7. **Accounts for Approval and Payment** – It was **resolved** to approve the following accounts for payment: -

<b>Direct Bank Payments to be Authorised</b>			
<b>Payee</b>	<b>Goods/Services</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Budget</b>
Whitwell Community Centre	WPC Waste Bin Collection	203.42	63
Whitwell Community Centre	WPC Share of Photocopier Rental	95.88	39
Whitwell Community Centre	Playscheme Printing/Copying	24.62	36
Whitwell Community Centre	Stationery	18.60	39
Woolley Moor Nurseries	Floral Displays	3096.00	56
T Kirk Forestry	Chainsaw Hire	180.00	63
Easy-Gate Ltd	New Dog Park Gate	1230.00	58
Bolsover District Council	Buildings Insurance - Store	64.54	41
Turner Hire & Sales	Repairs	127.41	63
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5054.43</b>	

<b>Credit Card Payments</b>			
Co-operative Bank	Card Fee	2.00	20
Microsoft	Microsoft (Office 365 x 2)	24.72	45
Microsoft	Cllr gov.uk emails x 8	56.64	45
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>83.36</b>	

#### 8. **Financial Report and Bank Reconciliation**

It was **resolved** to accept the Financial Report. Cllr K Austin signed the September bank reconciliation.

#### 9. **Whitwell Common Recreation Ground**

Chair, Clerk and Cllr D Munro met with BDC representatives on 23 September regarding issues raised and to request permission for hedgerow planting. It was **resolved** that members of the Climate Change Group meet with BDC's Woodlands Officer to formulate a plan to seek permission from BDC for hedgerow planting. Clerk to forward a map to Cllr S Maiden.

#### 10. **Correspondence**

It was **resolved** to deal with correspondence as follows: -

- 10.1. DALC October Newsletter – Noted.
- 10.2. DCC – Council Plan 2025-29 Consultation – Noted.
- 10.3. NCC – Draft Biodiversity Net Gain Consultation – Noted.

#### 11. **Planning Matters: –**

Cllr T Munro declared an interest and took no part in planning matters.

It was **resolved** to deal with planning matters as follows: -

- 11.1. 24/00438/TPO – Pruning Works to 2 Beech trees, 16a Claylands Road, Whitwell S80 4QE – no objections.
- 11.2. DBCP – 24/05171/SNN – Street Name request for development on Creswell Road, Clowne – no comments.
- 11.3. DBCP – 24/03632/SNN – Street Names request for development in Blackwell – no comments.

#### **Planning not listed: -**

- 14.5 24/00442/FUL – Change of Use to Children's Home for 1 no. child (Cs Use), 82 Welbeck Street, Whitwell S80 4TP: -

**Highways** – There is no parking provision at the property and a lack of on-street parking in the surrounding area. The provision of 24-hour care would possibly mean permanent parking for at least 2 vehicles.

**Suitability of property** – Whether the location of the property near to the end of Welbeck Street is appropriate and the suitability of a mid-terrace with adjoining neighbours for C2 use which could be severe.

**Consultation** – WPC expects BDC to consult with all neighbours.

**Applicant details** – The supporting statement is lacking key information about the Applicant's qualifications and the company, which was only incorporated in May 2024.

- 14.6 24/00466/FUL – Demolition of existing conservatory and erection of single storey extension, 101 Bakestone Moor, Whitwell S80 4QB – No objections.

#### 12. **Progress Reports**

None

#### 13. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 13 November 2024 at 7.00 pm.

#### 14. **Fifteen-minute public session for members of the public to comment on items discussed at this meeting (no decisions can be made on any items raised in this session) - None.**

15. To consider a resolution under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings Act 1960) to exclude members of the public and press from the remainder of the meeting on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

15.1. Whitwell Cemetery

Clerk to contact landowner.

15.2. Staff Completion of Training

Staff to be congratulated on completion of training. Clerk to check pay scales. Clerk to investigate replacement chainsaw. Parish Council schedule of work to be on November agenda. Creswell Crags to be contacted regarding voluntary work.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 20:38

Signed ..... (Chairman)

Date .....

**Abbreviations Used:**

BDC – Bolsover District Council

CLLR – Councillor

DALC – Derbyshire Assoc. of Local Councils

DCC – Derbyshire County Council

DLUHC – Dept of Housing & Levelling-up

FP – Footpath

H&BPC – Hodthorpe & Belph Parish Council

MOP – Member of Public

NCC – Nottinghamshire County Council

PC – Police Constable

SLCC – Society of Local Council Clerks

WCC – Whitwell Community Centre

WPC – Whitwell Parish Council

WS Rec. – Welbeck Street Recreation Ground

**List of Resolutions**

**50/2024-25** it was **resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on 18 September 2024 be approved and duly signed by the Chairman.

**51/2024-25** It was **resolved** to approve the accounts for payment.

**52/2024/25** It was **resolved** to accept the Financial Report. Cllr K Austin to sign the September bank reconciliations.

**53/2024-25** It was **resolved** that members of the Climate Change Group meet with BDC's Woodlands Officer to formulate a plan to seek permission from BDC for hedgerow planting. Clerk to forward a plan to Cllr S Maiden.

**54/2024-25** It was **resolved** to deal with **Correspondence**

**55/2024-25** It was **resolved** to deal with **Planning matters**