

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
THURSDAY 23rd November 2023 AT 5.45pm in the Cavendish Room,
Events Centre.**

Present:, Cllr D. McGregor (Chairman) Councillors J. Bend, M. Bryant, P. Colbert, A. Davis, C. Gilfillian, E. Glassey, M. Sanders, S. Smith, R. Turner and J. Wells

Also in attendance: R. Nunn (Clerk), H. Brown (Asst to the Clerk) and Steve Nicholls (Event Centre Manager)

74. Public Participation

A member of the public brought to the attention of the Parish Council again the lack of street lighting on Colliery Road, Councillors advised that it was a private road which belonged to The Welbeck Estate and lighting would not be available until the new housing development commenced, Cllr McGregor advised that it was hoped the lighting would be addressed first before the development of housing commenced.

The members of the public were also advised that Welbeck had not sold the land for development but have employed contractors for the work on their behalf.

Future development was discussed on the 6 flats opposite the Heritage and Wellbeing Centre for people with Autism and that the new development will start in February 2024. Another member of the public asked for an update on the doctors site next to the events centre, and was advised that it was in the hands of Welbeck who own the site. Cllr McGregor gave a detailed history of the site and planning.

75. Apologies for absence

None

76. Declaration of Interest

None Declared.

77. Motion of Vary Order of Business

Cllr Colbert enquired why 15.2 "Special Meeting Minutes" were on Exempt it was explained they are exempt from the public.

78. Heritage & Wellbeing Centre Update

Cllr McGregor reported on Anti Social behaviour at the Heritage & Wellbeing Centre & Skate Park and read out a proposed letter to parents of children who had behaved inappropriately within the highlighted area in the attached plan in order to protect staff and the Centre.

Members were advised that this template was used at The Arc in Clowne and is a template for all Council Used buildings.

Cllr Colbert raised queries about who identifies the problem and who issues the letter and to whom.

He was advised that through staff, CCTV and re-occurring problems individuals would be identified.

All in favour

79. Police Report

Cllr McGregor read out the Police report received earlier that evening. With no Police present it was recommended that the Clerk write to the Chief Constable and Police Commissioner and requested an update on the "Clean Up Rate" of crimes reported. Cllr McGregor Moved and was Seconded by Cllr Smith

**All in favour
Action Clerk**

80. Events Centre Report - Update

The Events Centre Manager provided a written update on upcoming events and the Christmas light switch on at the weekend.

Discussion were held on the cancellation policy when only 27 tickets had been sold for an event, members were informed that due to contracts the artist still had to be paid.

Cllr Colbert mentioned that three bands were playing in pubs in the Village at the weekend. The Events Manager explained he informed all local entertainment venues of the bookings at the Events Centre at the beginning of each year.

Members acknowledged that continuous cancellation of events could possibly put people off purchasing tickets.

Members were reminded the Audit committee are monitoring the performance of the Events Centre and would report back at a later meeting.

Steve was thanked for his report and left the meeting

**All to note
All in favour**

81. Bolsover District Council

Cllr Turner reported on a number of meetings she had attended and Cllr McGregor updated members on "Dragonfly" company set up by Bolsover District Council and that they had been offered further housing development in Worksop following satisfactory work undertaken at Langold. He also informed members of the potential of 15m levelling up funds advised in a meeting today and that there is a time scale and capital expense. Further discussion where held on the possible opportunities within the area.

All to note

82. County Council Report

Confirmation was made on the financial contribution from Cllr Yates for the Speed watch equipment and that training was booked for the 7th December 2023 at 5.30pm at the Community Hub, where the police will attend.

All to note

83. To Approve the Minutes of:

83.1 The Audit Committee held on 15th November 2023 be approved

Cllr Smith moved, Cllr Wells seconded

83.2 The Parish Council meeting held on the 26th October 2023

Cllr Colbert referred to the time scale on the audit of the Events Centre and was advised there was no time scale and a report would be made to the Parish Council as soon as was available.

Further discussions were held on payments made to bands by the Events Centre when tickets were not sold

Cllr Smith moved the minutes and was seconded by Cllr McGregor

All in favour

84. Financial Matters

84.1 Financial Statement for October 2023

The Clerk reported on financial activities for October with no cause for concern. Cllr Colbert requested an additional line be placed on the report to show reserve fund position.

Cllr McGregor moved, seconded by Cllr Gilfillan

All in favour

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84.2 Accounts for payment November 2023

Question was raised to item 7 Bowls Club, members were advised the invoice was being challenged. Item 24 Flooring Repairs, members were advised the original invoice was not paid and following repairs the invoice was now cleared for payment.

Highlight was made to item 7&8 and it was confirmed that a typing error had occurred and item 7 was for Markland Campus.

Further discussion were held on the usage of the Bowls club and clarification was requested on the ownership of the land.

Cllr McGregor moved, seconded Cllr Smith

All in favour

85. Open Spaces

Cllr Smith discussed issues at East Street play area and how the external examination had identified low risk issues. However members agreed that work to the baby swing and adult swing be made.

Cllr Wells reported on the audit of the Markland Campus and it was requested that officer write to the users of the campus and inform them of the findings and invite them to a meeting with the Audit Committee.

Moved Cllr McGregor seconded Cllr Davis

All in favour

Action Clerk

Members to note

86. Planning Applications

No Objections

Members to note

87. Correspondence

None

All in favour

88. Exempt

Meeting Closed 7.00pm

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