

## WIRKSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WIRKSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 20 November 2023 AT 6.30 PM

**C23/106 Present: Cllr S Barker (Chair), Cllr P Carr, Cllr A Clamp, Cllr A Jordan, Cllr S Maskrey, Cllr A Pollock, Cllr F Rostron, Cllr P Taylor and Cllr C Whittall**

In attendance: Paul Jennings (Town Clerk)  
1 resident and D Cllr Slack, C Cllr Murphy

**C23/107 Apologies: Cllr K Player, Cllr E McDonagh and D Cllr D Greatorex**

**C23/108 Variation of Order of Business: None**

**C23/109 Members' Pecuniary Interests in Agenda Items:**

<b>Cllr Clamp</b>	<b>Personal Interest item 7 (Colts) Support for Traders Association - Wizard Day</b>
<b>Cllr Whittall</b>	<b>Personal Interest item 7 (NOW) Support for Traders Association - Wizard Day</b>

*Open Forum opened 6:35pm*

**C23/110 Open Forum:**

A resident raised concerns over road safety within Wirksworth.  
D Cllr P Slack provided a verbal report in addition to a written report.  
C Cllr D Murphy provided a verbal report.

*Open Forum closed 7:15pm*

**C23/111 Minutes of the meeting of the Wirksworth Town Council 16 October 2023:**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of Wirksworth Town Council dated 16 October 2023 were confirmed as a correct record.

**C23/112 Town Mayor's Announcements: The Mayor attended Remembrance events, Installation of benches on the Hannages as well as an informal meeting with Institute of Quarrying.**

**C23/113 To receive the committee recommendations**

- Finance Buildings and Personnel dated 13 November 2023

**RESOLVED** to adopt the recommendations of the Finance Buildings and Personnel dated 13 November 2023.

*The following items (urgent) would normally be dealt with by Environment and Town meeting, all other items will be deferred to December committee meeting.*

**C23/114 Safer Roads Group**

To consider what support might be given to the recently established community group which has the initial objectives:-

- to improve road safety in Wirksworth
- to improve health through noise and emissions reduction
- to enhance accessibility of footpaths to facilitate school routes, walking, pushchairs, bikes, wheelchairs etc.

**RESOLVED to ask the group (Safer Roads for Wirksworth) what specific support they would like from the Town Council and that it is suggested that they could seek to identify the existing problems and propose solutions. That the group should apply for support from the Town Council via community grant/meeting space scheme.**

**C23/115 Delegated Decision/Action**

DCC have issued an initial consultation to change the speed limits to 30mph on B5023 (Cromford Road, Harrison Drive, St Johns Street, Warmbrook and Derby Road). The deadline for comment would not allow ratification at full council and therefore the matter was dealt with using delegated powers (WTC made a request for this change in 2019). The following a response was made “The proposal accords with the Town Council’s past request for action and no amendments are requested at this stage of the process therefore Wirksworth Town Council welcomes this proposal and raises no objection.”

**RESOLVED to note the matter.**

*The remaining items are matters for full council.*

**C23/116 Accounts Paid**

October 2023 in the sums of £30305.53

**RESOLVED that payment of the attached accounts in the sums of £30305.53 be approved.**

**C23/117 Meadows Budget**

To clarify the current position and financial preparations to progress the Meadows project.

**RESOLVED that the project should continue to progress on the basis that the council has set aside £50k of earmarked capital reserves. The capital reserves are to be used as match funding to support grant applications which are being pursued to fund the costs of the 1<sup>st</sup> stage of the project works (approx. £250k).**

**C23/118 Budget and Precept 2024-25**

To consider any issues that should be considered or included in the initial draft budget.

**RESOLVED that in order to achieve a balanced budget and given the projected deficit in 2023/24 that an increase in precept is required in next financial year (increase in the range of 7-10%).**

**C23/119 Concessionary Lets in 2024/25**

To consider approval of a concessionary let to the Festival of (up to) 10 days at a value of £4950 (in 2023/24) and Well Dressing/Carnival of (up to) 3 days at a value of £1650 and what support might be provided to other annual events.

**RESOLVED to approve both concessionary lets for 2024/25 at a value of £4950\* for Festival and £1650\* for Well Dressing/Carnival. (\*with an uplift equivalent to any increase applied to occasional lettings costs in the new financial year).**

**C23/120 Support for High Sheriff**

Resolution C22/152, To support High Sheriff Theresa Peltier during her Shrieval year. The High Sheriff has requested use of the Town Hall in early 2024 to host a civic celebration to recognise and thank local groups and volunteers.

**RESOLVED that the additional request be agreed as the Town Council wishes to support the High Sheriff (a resident of Wirksworth) during their Shrieval year.**

**C23/121 Land Adjacent to Stoney Wood entrance**

DDDC have now confirmed that the designation of the site is no longer "Temporary Tolerated Travellers Site". In the previous term of the Council it was resolved that the blocks should be removed in the event that the designation cease and also that the District Council should be approached regarding a potential asset transfer of the land to WTC.

**RESOLVED that no further action be taken awaiting further developments in DDDC's response to the provision of a Traveller site (following the recent loss of the Holmesford Cottage site).**

**C23/122 Task List – Outstanding Actions**

All actions arising from committee / council meetings are tracked.

**RESOLVED to note the information.**

*The meeting closed at 8:55pm*

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Chairman

**Wirksworth Town Council  
PAYMENTS LIST**

Voucher Code	Date	Minute	Bank	Cheque No	Description	Supplier	VAT Type	Net	VAT	Total
295 Telephone	02/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Telephony	Daisy Communications	S	188.02	37.60	225.62
278 Fannyshaw Community	04/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Internet	W3Z	S	29.16	5.83	34.99
279 General Administration	04/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Payroll	Sage	S	80.50	16.10	96.60
281 General Administration	04/10/2023		Lloyds Current		IT Support	Software Into Action	S	357.00	71.40	428.40
275 General Administration	04/10/2023		Lloyds Current		HR Support	Castle Associates	S	43.00	8.60	51.60
282 Maintenance	04/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Sanitary disposal/ service	Cathedral Leasing Ltd	S	69.67	13.93	83.60
282 Maintenance	04/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Sanitary disposal/ service	Cathedral Leasing Ltd	S	69.00	13.80	82.80
280 Rates	04/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Rates	DDDC	Z	668.00		668.00
284 Rates	05/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Water	Water Plus	Z	31.13		31.13
285 Rates	05/10/2023		Lloyds Current	722	Water	Water Plus	Z	121.83		121.83
286 Rates	05/10/2023		Lloyds Current	545	Water	Water Plus	Z	50.55		50.55
290 Maintenance	06/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Maintenance materials	Amazon	S	20.81	4.16	24.97
291 Maintenance	06/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Maintenance materials	Amazon	S	5.17	1.03	6.20
292 Maintenance	06/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Maintenance materials	Amazon	S	5.00	1.00	6.00
293 Maintenance	06/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Maintenance materials	Amazon	S	33.74	6.75	40.49
296 Fuel	09/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Gas -Town Hall	Corona Energy	L	347.63	17.38	365.01
296 Fuel	09/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Gas -Town Hall	Corona Energy	L	331.23	16.56	347.79
296 Fuel	09/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Gas -Town Hall	Corona Energy	L	571.45	28.57	600.02
297 Rates	09/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Gas -Memorial Hall	Corona Energy	L	99.57	4.98	104.55
297 Rates	09/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Gas -Memorial Hall	Corona Energy	L	108.87	5.44	114.31
297 Rates	09/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Gas -Memorial Hall	Corona Energy	L	133.58	6.68	140.26
302 Maintenance	09/10/2023		Unity Trust Current		Paint	Seymour Interiors	S	234.04	46.81	280.85
303 Barmote Croft Toilets	09/10/2023		Unity Trust Current		CCTV	Viking Safety Signs	S	27.18	5.44	32.62
305 Barmote Croft Toilets	09/10/2023		Unity Trust Current		Electrical works	Warren Electrical	S	78.00	15.60	93.60
301 General Administration	09/10/2023		Unity Trust Current		Annual license	PPL PRS	S	341.09	68.22	409.31
304 General Administration	09/10/2023		Unity Trust Current		IT Support	Software Into Action	S	5.00	1.00	6.00
306 Mayors Charity & Events	09/10/2023		Unity Trust Current		Catering	Peppers Cottage Bakery	S	416.67	83.33	500.00
294 General Administration	09/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Bank charges	Lloyds Bank	Z	26.60		26.60
299 Rates	10/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Rates	DDDC	Z	5,364.00		5,364.00
300 General Administration	11/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Consumables	Viking	S	227.56	45.51	273.07
308 Salaries	11/10/2023		Unity Trust Current		Pension contributions	DCC	Z	1,235.63		1,235.63
308 Wages	11/10/2023		Unity Trust Current		Pension contributions	DCC	Z	863.67		863.67
300 General Administration	11/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Consumables	Viking	Z	37.50		37.50

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283	13/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Internet	Smarty	S	15.00	3.00	18.00
311	13/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Maintenance materials	Screwfix	S	83.45	16.69	100.14
310	17/10/2023		Lloyds Current		IT equipment	Amazon	S	26.65	5.33	31.98
287	17/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Water	Water Plus	Z	11.10		11.10
288	17/10/2023		Lloyds Current	653	Water	Water Plus	Z	11.10		11.10
289	17/10/2023		Lloyds Current	191	Water	Water Plus	Z	11.10		11.10
370	17/10/2023		Unity Trust Current		Consumables	ESPO	S	49.75	9.95	59.70
316	19/10/2023		Unity Trust Current		Fire safety	Lightening Strike	S	160.00	32.00	192.00
314	19/10/2023		Unity Trust Current		Grass & verge cutting	JM Stevenson (Roy)	Z	52.00		52.00
314	19/10/2023		Unity Trust Current		Grass & verge cutting	JM Stevenson (Roy)	Z	40.00		40.00
312	19/10/2023		Unity Trust Current		Memorial Bench	L. Vallis	Z	1,600.00		1,600.00
317	19/10/2023		Unity Trust Current		PPE	Marc Worsey	Z	31.99		31.99
313	19/10/2023		Unity Trust Current		Stationary, sundries	Lyreco	S	102.57	20.51	123.08
315	19/10/2023		Unity Trust Current		Meadows works	Urban Wilderness	S	1,888.00	377.60	2,265.60
330	23/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Electricity	EDF Energy	L	53.81	2.69	56.50
331	23/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Electricity	EDF Energy	L	143.89	7.19	151.08
332	23/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Electricity	EDF Energy	L	214.56	10.73	225.29
333	23/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Electricity	EDF Energy	S	627.85	125.57	753.42
318	23/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Internet	Emtel	S	43.95	8.79	52.74
325	23/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Licensing	DDDC	Z	21.00		21.00
298	24/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Bank charges	Lloyds Bank	Z	25.00		25.00
307	25/10/2023		Unity Trust Current		Tax & NI	HMRC	Z	876.15		876.15
309	25/10/2023		Unity Trust Current		Salaries	Wirksworth Town	Z	4,097.81		4,097.81
309	25/10/2023		Unity Trust Current		Salaries	Wirksworth Town	Z	3,289.70		3,289.70
307	25/10/2023		Unity Trust Current		Tax & NI	HMRC	Z	151.02		151.02
324	26/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Furniture	GO PAK	S	1,611.44	322.29	1,933.73
344	27/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Consumables	Viking	S	155.69	31.14	186.83
276	30/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Internet	Zen	S	19.98	4.00	23.98
322	30/10/2023		Unity Trust Current		Maintenance works	Thompson Tree Services	S	278.00	55.60	333.60
320	30/10/2023		Unity Trust Current		Engraving	Hellison Trophies	Z	43.75		43.75
321	30/10/2023	FBP 23/53	Unity Trust Current	FBP 23/53	Grant	NOW	Z	700.00		700.00
326	31/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Consumables	Viking	S	93.04	18.61	111.65
327	31/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Water	Water Plus	Z	62.64		62.64
328	31/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Water	Water Plus	Z	30.13		30.13
329	31/10/2023		Lloyds Current		Water	Water Plus	Z	47.03		47.03

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							<b>Total</b>	<b>28,891.00</b>	<b>1,577.41</b>	<b>30,468.41</b>

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