**Minutes of the Meeting** **Held on Tuesday 1st October 2024, Worminghall Village Hall**

Present: Apologies:

Cllr Skates (Chair)

Cllr Bramley Clerk

Cllr Tinkler

Cllr Wright

One member of the public

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| Item |  |  |
| 1 | To receive apologies of absence | None |
| 2 | To receive declarations of interest | None |
| 3 | Approval of minutes | Minutes from the WPC meeting 27th June 2024 were unanimously accepted by the council then signed and dated by the Chairman. |
| 4 | Open Forum | Hedges/Footpaths: Very overgrown – need to ask parishioners to cut back over hanging trees/bushes.  Landscaping at the park - very overgrown – letter to be written with regards to maintenance. |
| 5 | Report from AD Hornage Meeting | Cllrs Wright and Tinkler attended the recent meeting and provided an update as to next steps. The meeting was attended by the developers who were asked questions regarding the application. Greg Smith MP also attended |
| 6 | Recent flooding/pavement damage | Following the recent heavy rain, there has been significant damage to the pavements which needs to be reported to FixMyStreet. Parishioners to be encouraged to report the damage. Some properties were flooded and letters to be sent with regards to keeping ditches clear to allow water to escape. Council to come out and jet drains down The Avenue to avoid further issues within 6-8 weeks. |
| 7 | Parking/ Community Speedwatch Update | There have been several instances of cars parking on pavements meaning that pedestrians having to walk in the road to get past. Cllr Tinkler to organize some signs for offending vehicles encouraging more considerate use of the roads. Cllr Skates now has all the Community Speedwatch equipment so will be organising training for those who have volunteered. |
| 8 | Quarterly Spend Review | Cllr Skates presented the YTD spend against budget. As at date of the meeting, the PC had spent £4,960 against a budget of £19,648. This is partly down to timing due to Cllr vacancy and Clerk maternity leave. Spend will be higher in second half of the year. |
| 9 | Planning | Appeal 24/00051/Ref Lakeview. Previous application is now under appeal |
| 10 | Approve Financial Payments | Fortem Digital £120  Green & Growing £ 1650 - including delayed payments due to bank issue  Now Clerk has bank access – all other delayed payments will be made12 |
| 11 | Councillor Vacancy | One application had been received and applicant had been invited to the meeting. Unfortunately he did not attend. |
| 12 | AOB | Discussion about traffic calming to be added to the December agenda. Cllr Wright to get information regarding process and costs.  Clerk returning from maternity leave beginning of October. |
| 13 | Next meeting | Next meeting – 6 November at 7.30  Meeting concluded at 9.32 pm |

**Actions**

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| **Action** | **Owner** |
| Letters to developers re landscaping | Clerk |
| BMKALC – additional training dates for playground maintenance | Clerk |
| Organise Community Speedwatch Training session | Cllr Skates |
| Prepare for Dec meeting re Traffic calming – Timescale, cost etc | Cllr Wright |
| Update Facebook with request for cutting back etc | Cllr Skates |
| Letters to homeowners by the Avenue footpath re overhanging bushes | Clerk |
| Letter to the Old Rectory re ditches | Clerk |
| Letter to homeowner re height of bushes by MVAS | Clerk |

Signature of Presiding Chair:

Date: