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**Minutes of the meeting of Ackworth Parish Council held on  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 7:15pm**

Attendance

- Cllr Martin Roberts – Chair
- Cllr Mike Galvin
- Cllr Suzy Sherratt
- Cllr Andy Sherratt
- Cllr Carolyn Hall
- Cllr John Bell
- Cllr Sarah Balfour
- Cllr Stephen Parker
- Cllr Nathan Bland
- Cllr Sharon Maiden

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5 Members of the Public in attendance.

- How much has the parish council got invested and in what companies?

<p>1. Reminder by the Chair of the Council's expectations for the audio or visual recording of this meeting. <i>The Parish Council meeting may be recorded under the Openness of Local Government Regulations 2014. Devices are to be placed on the table provided throughout the meeting.</i></p>
<p>2. Apologies</p> <p>2.1 To receive apologies for absence given in advance of the meeting.</p> <p>2.2 To consider the approval of reasons given for absence.</p>
<p>2.1 <b>Resolved</b> that apologies for absence were given in respect of Cllr Amanda Cook and Cllr Gwen Marshall. The reason for absence were noted by the Clerk.</p> <p>2.2 <b>Resolved</b> that apologies for absence given were approved, all in favour.</p>
<p>3. Declarations of Interests and Dispensations</p> <p>3.1 To receive any declarations of interest not already declared under the Council's Code of conduct or a member's Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests on items on the agenda.</p> <p>3.2 To receive, consider and decide upon any written applications for dispensation for disclosable pecuniary interest.</p> <p>3.3 To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate.</p>
<p>3.1 / 3.2 / 3.3 None to <b>receive</b>.</p>
<p>4. To receive available reports from the following:</p>

- 4.1 West Yorkshire Police
- 4.2 WMDC District Councillors
- 4.3 APC Council Representatives on outside bodies

- 4.1 **None** to receive due to earlier meeting date, January report to be included within March meeting.
- 4.2 District Cllr Raymond Massey was in attendance and provided the following verbal report updates
- Barnsley Road Crossing – Due to be installed within financial year 24/25 as confirmed by Martin Barnes
  - Cllr Massey noted that he was not re-standing for District Cllr and would like to spend time with the Clerk to handover any matters concerning Ackworth
- 4.3 **None** to receive.

5. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024, as a true and correct record.

- 5.1 Proposer Cllr Balfour, Seconded Cllr Hall. Voting completed, 9 in Favour, 0 Against.  
**Resolved:** The meeting minutes were **approved**.

It was **noted** that Cllr Maiden accepts her position as Complaints Committee Chair.

6. Committee and Subcommittee Meetings:

- 6.1 To receive the minutes of the Finance and General Purposes committee meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2024 and approve the recommendations within them.
- 6.2 To receive the minutes of the Village Amenities committee meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2024 and approve the recommendations within them.
- 6.3 To receive the minutes of the Environment, Road Safety and Planning committee meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2024 and approve the recommendations within them.
- 6.4 To receive the minutes of the Village Events committee meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024 and approve the recommendations within them.

- 6.1 The Chair requested that agenda item 10.2 is taken with this agenda item 6.1 – All agreed.  
The Chair requested that agenda item 10.1 is taken with this agenda item 6.2 – All agreed.

The Chair requested that agenda items 6 and 7 from the Finance and General Purposes committee meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2024 were dealt with separately and in line with Cllr S Sherratt's motions – All agreed.

With the exclusion of agenda items 6 & 7, the F&GP meeting minutes in line with agenda item wording of 6.1 were proposed by Cllr Hall and seconded by Cllr Balfour – All in Favour. **Resolved:** Recommendations **Approved**.

Agenda item 6 from the F&GP committee meeting was taken together with agenda item 10.1 of this meeting agenda.

*F&GP Agenda Item 6: To consider the draft budget proposal/s for 2024 – 2025 (tabled) and to make recommendations for approval at the Parish Council meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2024.*

A detailed discussion took place.

- 10.1 Proposer Cllr S Sherratt, Seconded Cllr S Parker. Voting completed: 3 in Favour, 7 Against.  
**Resolved: Motion Fell.**

Agenda item 6 from the F&GP committee meeting - Proposer Cllr Balfour, Seconded Cllr Bell. Voting completed: 7 in Favour, 3 Against. **Resolved:** Recommendation **Approved**.

Agenda item 7 from the F&GP committee meeting was taken together with agenda item 10.2 of this meeting.

*F&GP Agenda Item 6: To consider the precept amount for 2024 – 2025 (tabled) and to make recommendations for approval at the Parish Council meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2024.*

A detailed discussion took place.

10.2 Proposer Cllr S Sherratt, Seconded Cllr A Sherratt. Voting completed: 3 in Favour, 7 Against.

**Resolved: Motion Fell.**

Agenda item 7 from the F&GP committee meeting - Proposer Cllr Balfour, Seconded Cllr Hall. Voting completed: 7 in Favour, 3 Against. **Resolved: Recommendation Approved.**

**6.2** Proposer Cllr Balfour, Seconded Cllr Roberts. 7 in Favour, 0 Against. **Resolved: Approved**

**6.3** Proposer Cllr Balfour, Seconded Cllr A Sherratt. 8 in Favour, 0 Against. **Resolved: Approved**

**6.4** Proposer Cllr Balfour, Seconded Cllr Hall. 7 in Favour, 0 Against. **Resolved: Approved**

7. To receive Burial Rights.

**7.1 None** to receive.

8. Financial Matters:

**8.1** To receive and approve payments to be made and Petty Cash account to 5<sup>th</sup> February 2024.

**8.1** Proposer Cllr Bland, Seconded Cllr Bell. All in Favour. **Resolved: Approved.**

9. To consider and decide upon the following planning applications:

**9.1** 23/01614/S730 – 3 Coopers Close, Ackworth, WF7 7RA Variation of Condition 2 (Approved Plans) of application 23/01614/FUL dated 20/12/2023 [which granted permission for "Erection of single storey dwelling with integral garage"] to increase the size of the front entrance porch. (Deadline date 16/02/2024)

**9.2** 23/02369/FUL – 13 Low Green, Ackworth, WF7 7LZ Single and two storey extension to side, including juliet balcony to rear. (Deadline date 15/02/2024)

**9.3** 23/00263/NMC – 48 Pontefract Road, Ackworth, WF7 7LL Non material amendment to approved planning application 23/00263/FUL, dated 20th October 2023 (for 'Demolition of the existing garage, two-storey extension to the side and rear with first floor enclosed balcony area to rear') for alterations to the proposed openings to the north facing (side) elevation and addition of a skylight to the east facing (rear) roof slope of the proposed 2 storey extension. (Deadline date not listed)

**9.1 / 9.2 / 9.3 Noted.**

10. Motions requested by Councillors

**10.1** To receive a proposal from Cllr S Sherratt to delay the hiring of an Office Junior until budget year 25/26 and decide a course of action.

**10.2** To receive a proposal from Cllr S Sherratt that Ackworth Parish Council consider raising the precept request to 5% in line with WMDC rates increases (3% + 1.99%) as this would support an overall reduction of the proposed budget deficit and decide a course of action.

**10.3** To receive a proposal from Cllr A Sherratt that the full Parish Council receive an update at the March meeting in relation to CIL monies for the previous 5 years to date including receipts, expenditure where applicable for both allocated and spent monies and to make recommendations on any unallocated funds currently available.

**10.1 / 10.2** Taken with agenda item 6.1. Above.

**10.3** An amend to the motion was proposed by Cllr Balfour in conjunction with Cllr A Sherratt.

'That the Finance and General Purposes Committee receives an update at its next meeting in relation to CIL monies for the previous 5 years to date including receipts, expenditure where applicable for both allocated and spent monies and to make recommendations on a process to deal with any unallocated funds currently available.'

It was **noted** that the F&GP committee CIL report will be provided to the full council as part of the F&GP Meeting Minutes,

Voting completed to accept the amend. Proposer Cllr Balfour, seconded Cllr Bell. All in Favour.

Voting completed to accept the motion as amended. Proposer Cllr Balfour, seconded Cllr Bland. All in Favour. **Resolved: Motion Amended Approved.**

Time Closed: 20:45

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