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Minutes of Wheldrake Parish Council Meeting held at 7pm at White Rose House on Wednesday 25th October 2023

36	<p>Welcome: The Chair welcomed councillors to the meeting, noting that there were no members of the public present.</p>
37 (a)	<p>Attendees were noted by the clerk.</p>
37 (b)	<p>Apologies and Attendance: The Clerk reported that apologies had been received from Cllrs Wilkinson, Myers, Brown and Eley-Jeffree. Reasons for absence were approved and it was resolved that councillors' apologies be approved.</p>
38	<p>Interests: The Chair reminded members to make any declarations in any agenda item(s). No interests were declared.</p>
39	<p>Minutes: The Council resolved not to approve the draft minutes of the September meeting due to not all Cllrs having sight of the amendments. September minutes will be approved along with October minutes at the next meeting. <i>The Clerk left for some fresh air but returned and resumed minuting.</i></p>
40	<p>Public Participation: N/A as no public were in attendance.</p>
41	<p>Reports received (for information only)</p> <p>a. Playpark Fixing the totem pole and fixing the gate will be completed by Cllr Buckle in the next week.</p> <p>b. Village Maintenance The trees that fell during the recent storm were removed by Toby Johnson. The noticeboard near the playpark will also be fixed by Cllr Buckle.</p> <p>c. Clerk updates With regards to the £150 million government funding announcement to local councils. The clerk contacted CYC to enquire about the bus subsidy and whether money received could potentially go towards this. The answer was that "<i>any indicative 2024/25 funding from DfT will be conditional upon a delivery plan being put forward by the council. We (CYC) are currently undertaking a review of tendered services which will inform a decision in January's Executive meeting.</i>" Also worth noting is that the £2 price cap will remain throughout 2024.</p> <p>d. Defibrillators The village hall defib was sent off for a software update last week. A loan defib was delivered and updated on circuit for so to inform NHS. Once the software has been updated, the village hall defib will be swapped. The Chair reported that he had applied for a grant towards a further defibrillator under the DHSC scheme. He was not optimistic, in that funding would be</p>

	targeted to those areas of greatest need. Given that Wheldrake PC already supports three defibs, bid success seemed unlikely.
42	<p>Communications Received:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Parking on Broad Highway – to be directed to CYC/highways - Edging of footpath on Main Street – this problem is for CYC/highways - Pedestrian crossing Greengales Lane and exit of playing fields – this has been discussed before, directed to CYC and Cllr Vassie - Hedges overgrown on pavements – the PC will include in the next newsletter - Village bench location – the PC agreed with the location of the bench, however it looks like it has been concreted in and therefore un-moveable. - Parking at the shop – not a PC issue, advised to contact CYC/highways <p>These communications were discussed by the Council and suitable responses will be sent.</p>
43	<p>Planning:</p> <p>To consider and decide upon the following planning applications; City of York Council Planning Portal 23/01794/TCA – The Brambles, North Lane – no comments were made 23/01754/TCA – 2 Kitty Garth – no comments were made 23/01718/TCA – 15 Church Close – no comments were made</p>
44	<p>Finance: The balance of the PC account is £42,969.39</p> <p>(a) To receive PC income and expenditure for last two quarters</p> <p>(b) Aggregate income and expenditure for year to date</p> <p>(c) Balance held at end of quarter including comparison with the budget for the financial year, highlighting actual or potential overspends <i>Items a,b and c were deferred to the next meeting in November.</i></p> <p>(d) The below payments were approved by the Council Toby Johnson - £1450.80 + £294.00 Autela - £61.40 PKF Littlejohn - £426.00</p> <p>(c) To receive conclusion of the AGAR The conclusion of the AGAR was received by the Clerk and will be posted on the website.</p> <p>Other Approval was granted for Clerk’s salary at rate already confirmed, plus receipted expenses of £10 for stamps.</p>
45	<p>The below revised / new operating policies and procedures were approved and include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Standing Orders - Code of Conduct - Complaints procedure - Grievance procedure - General privacy notice - Model financial regulations - Subject access request form - GDPR data/info audit proforma - Data breach reporting policy - Freedom of information policy

	<p>- Publication of members ROI on PC website</p> <p><i>All policies above will be posted onto the Parish Council website.</i></p>
46	<p>To consider quote from Blueberry Cooperative for autumn/winter planting After considerable chasing, I (the Clerk) have been advised that they will be sending a quote. The Cllrs resolved to approve the quote and go ahead on receipt to the Clerk. Since the meeting, the quote has been approved.</p>
47	<p>To consider arrangements for Remembrance Sunday Remembrance Sunday taking place on November 12th – a wreath will be purchased Cllr southern. All Cllrs are to meet just before the service at 10.30am at the Church.</p>
48	<p>To consider budget meeting timescales and preparation of draft budget It was resolved to incorporate the budget meeting within next month’s meeting.</p>
49	<p>To consider speed calming measures: The Clerk will contact nearby Parish Council, Deighton/Crockey Hill PC, and gain insight in how they managed to get hold of a VAS.</p> <p>It was also resolved for Cllr Nelson to provide some words to be sent to the Cllr responsible at City of York Council.</p>
50	<p>Items to consider for the next meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Budget - Braithgayte follow up - Speed cameras update - Christmas lights - Bus survey - January possibly
51	<p>To confirm date of the next meeting as Wednesday 22nd November at 7pm</p>

8.42 meeting closed