

West Auckland Parish Council

Minutes of Meeting held Monday, 9th December 2024 at 7.00 pm,
Parish Community Room, Monteith Close, West Auckland

Present: Cllr G Smith, Chairman
Cllr L Adamson
Cllr K Bolton
Cllr J Curl
Cllr E Farrer
Cllr T Horsman
Cllr J Pattison
Cllr M Roberts
Cllr W Robinson
Cllr N Simpson
Cllr C Smith
Cllr H Stott

24.101 To ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There was full attendance.

24.102 DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no expressions of interest received.

24.103 To CONFIRM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the previous meeting were agreed and signed accordingly.

24.104 To INVITE ANY COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

A resident attended to advise that she thought the Parish Council had arranged for the hedge at her property to be cut back. The Parish Council was unaware of the hedge being cut or the reason behind it.

24.105 To RECEIVE COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

- It was reported that double yellow lines have finally been painted at Chapel Street corner to prevent cars parking and creating congestion on this already narrow road.
- It was advised that the Christmas tree has had additional lights added.
- It was advised that a planting project is being arranged and schools and locals interested are invited to plant trees.

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24.106 CLERK’S TABLING OF CORRESPONDENCE/ENDORISING OF INVOICE CHEQUES

Correspondence received was tabled and payments endorsed as follows:

	Income	Expenses
Cutlery WAMCA		£395.09
Cutlery WAMCA	£329.21	
6 pint teapot		£20.99
Eon Next		£51.36
BT wifi		£36.86
Road surfacing - Brian Mundell		£190.00
Cash transferred for plaque, etc		£150.00
Telephone & broadband		£30.00
Monteith Cleaning		£112.50
MUGA Electrics		£3,312.00
Christmas Lights		£1,752.00
Bank charges		£8.00
Anglian Water Business		£77.20

24.107 TO RECEIVE ENVIRONMENT/PLANNING WORKING GROUP UPDATE

There were no environment agenda items for discussion.

24.108 TO RECEIVE FINANCE WORKING GROUP UPDATE

- To consider an additional wreath bar at the Pant

Following concerns about the stability of the 14 wreaths laid at the Pant it was resolved that quotes are to be obtained for an additional bar to facilitate the extra wreaths being laid annually.

24.109 TO CONSIDER LOCAL PLANNING ISSUES

- It was advised that the dentist has submitted plans to replace wooden windows. Concerns were raised that this building was given grant aided timber sash windows and now wishes to return to UPVC. It was resolved that the Parish Council will object to the application.

24.110 TO RECEIVE AGENDA ITEMS FOR MONDAY, 13TH JANUARY 2025 MEETING.

- To receive quote for additional Remembrance wreath bar
- To consider options for sustainable Remembrance Crosses

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