

# West Auckland Parish Council

Minutes of Meeting held Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at 7.00 pm,  
Parish Community Room, Monteith Close, West Auckland

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

## **24.01 To ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllr J Curl & Cllr H Stott.

## **24.02 DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

There were no declarations of interest in agenda items.

## **24.03 To CONFIRM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

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

## **24.04 To INVITE ANY COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

A resident asked if the CCTV camera has been repaired and sited back in the village. It was advised that the camera has been repaired but requires a software update following being hit by a gun pellet at a cost of £2,500. It was confirmed it will be re-sited somewhere in the village when funds are made available for the software update.

## **24.05 To RECEIVE CHAIRPERSON/COUNCILLORS REPORT**

It was advised that the police now have the names of a couple of males causing significant damage to village green areas on quads and motorbikes.

Cllr Simpson advised he had phoned Red Sky, who publicised on Metro Radio that they will provide replacement defibrillator pads for those recently stolen, and was told they are on order.

There was a complaint from a Front Street resident about the number of cigarette butts outside their house. Cllr G Smith agreed to report the concern to DCC Green & Clean team.

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**24.06 CLERK’S TABLING OF CORRESPONDENCE/ENDORISING OF INVOICE CHEQUES**

Correspondence received was tabled and payments endorsed as follows:

	Receipt	Payment
Eon Next		£58.70
BT Monteith wifi		£33.54
Eon Next		£22.30
Monteith Cleaning		£90.00
Believe Bells payment made in error-refund requested		£56.26
Believe Bells x 48 (for 2024 Panto)		£56.26
Telephones & broadband		£30.00
Clerk’s Wage		£1,200.00
G Smith Electrical - Christmas lights down		£816.00
Bank charges		£8.00

The December quarter end bank reconciliation was emailed to Parish Councillors for consideration and comments at the next meeting,

**24.07 TO RECEIVE ENVIRONMENT/PLANNING WORKING GROUP UPDATE**

No agenda items.

**24.08 TO RECEIVE FINANCE WORKING GROUP UPDATE**

No agenda items.

**24.09 TO CONSIDER LOCAL PLANNING ISSUES**

There were no planning applications for consideration.

**24.10 AGENDA ITEMS - NEXT MEETING MONDAY, 12<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2024**

To consider funding the pantomime for Christmas 2024.

Chairman’s Signature..... Date.....