

**WIDDRINGTON STATION & STOBWOOD PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE HALL OF THE
WIDDRINGTON COMMUNITY CENTRE ON MONDAY 9th September 2024
COMMENCING AT 6.30. P.M.**

In attendance were Councillors Mrs M Willoughby (Chair), , K Batson, S Horton, T Jerdan

Parish Clerk
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1. To receive apologies for absence

Cllr Childs

2.To receive declarations of interest

Cllr Batson declared a non-pecuniary interest in regard to any matters relating to the Stobswood Welfare.

Cllr T Jerdan - Scouts

3. To receive questions and comments from members of the public (time limited to 20 minutes in total)

Complaint – State of the area around the shop at East Acres – Over grown hedge on footpath – Reported to FMS

PC to report this again to the Neighbourhood Services who agreed to cut back the hedge.
Environmental Health

State of the shop area

Lamp Post – **MW** - COOP rear of – lamp is out and needs to be repaired. Maintenance request submitted

Damage to Park – Wall has been damaged by youths in park. CCTV checked but no evidence of those involved

MW - Handy man to repair the damage and make safe the area. Also report of drug use in park. Police to be made aware and ask

That they pay attention to the location by more patrols

If anyone found with drugs in the park The Parish Council **WILL** prosecute

Unregistered Scrap Collectors MW - Report of increasing amount of scrap collectors in Widdrington – Licensing to be made aware

At County Hall

Correspondence

Pantomime/Xmas Party 2024 – **PC** It is to be decided if we will hold a Xmas Party or Pantomime this year and this will be made available in the next meeting depending on costs

Precept – Budget 2024/25 – **KB** -Meeting is to be held on 9th October 2024 for the Prish Council

Budget

Grants – **MW** -Cllrs Jerdan and Cllr Horton are submitting applications for grants available and this will be updated in due course

Advert – Temporary Caretaker – **MW** – We are to advertise for a temporary Caretaker for The Community Centre until Alan returns to work. This will be advertised on the Parish

Notice

Board and interviews to be undertaken on October

14. Widdrington Station Community Centre Web Site

PC - confirmed that we have currently updated the Website to include more information.

15. Finance

i) Parish Clerk's Financial Statement – monthly update – Bank of Ireland Account
Balance

30 September 2024 - **£105,233.51**

Reconciled with Bank Account statement. **£100,763.66**

ii) Payments Approved by the Chair and Vice Chair of the Council since the last meeting

Viking (Cleaning, Admin) - £310.58	Wage - £493.02
Wage - £906.13	Wage – 467.56
HMRC - £600.52	Wage – 871.96
Wage - £460.08	Fish Elec(Community
Centre) - £360.00	

16. To consider any urgent business which shall be limited to circumstances in which the Council's responsibilities cannot be met, or the Council's interests are likely to be prejudiced, if the business is deferred to the next available meeting in order to allow for inclusion in the relevant agenda.

The Meeting Ended at 8.00 pm

Signed-----
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