



**WALDRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL**  
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To:

The Chairman and members of the **WALDRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL** -

*Councillors Johnson, Kinnear, Moffat, Barker, Morrison, Sexton, Fantarrow, Moist, Taylor, and Westgate.*

Dear Sir / Madam,

Please find attached minutes from the meeting of the **WALDRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL** which was held at the Parish Rooms on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Nov 2024 at 7pm to transact the following business:

### **BUSINESS**

Welcome - [Chair welcomes everyone to meeting.](#)

To receive apologies for absence - to note all apologies and reasons must be submitted in writing to the Coordinator/Chair prior to the meeting – [Moya sends her apologies. Karen may be late.](#)

Public Questions – members of the public may ask questions of the council for up to 15 minutes (5 minutes per person, per question). Any extension on time limits will be at the discretion of the Chair. [No public in attendance.](#)

To agree the minutes of the last meeting - .

[Parish Cllr Johnson queried the minutes, highlighting she did not understand the statement that there were no vacancies. The Chair interjected, stating that we are not re-writing history here, we are agreeing the minutes were a true reflection of the discussion at the time. Parish Cllr Johnson continued to discuss the previous Agenda item. The Chair again interjected, advising that it was not open for debate again and that queries should have been raised at the time, highlighting again that we can't allow this Agenda item to be revisited, as there have been some historical instances where people have used minutes sign off to re-open a debate which has been discussed and closed. Cllr Johnson asked if the Chair was accusing her of trying to re-open the debate. The Chair said no, I was speaking hypothetically based upon other recorded instances elsewhere. If anyone disagrees with the minutes, then we can discuss/change accordingly, but we will not be opening up historical agenda items. Agreed/Signed Off unanimously.](#)

To receive and accept any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests from members in any item to be discussed. [None declared.](#)

Agenda-Motions (attached)

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1. **Matters arising/Action Log –** [Matters Outstanding, see Action Log](#)
2. **Correspondence -** [Valuation Office Agency letter to action and Email from ONS to action.](#)
3. **County Councillors Report –** [Durham County Council Allotment meeting held. Need a follow up session with WPC Working Group, which is an item on the Action Log.](#)
4. **Financial matters –** [RFO to Update – HMRC VAT refund has been submitted.](#)
5. **Events**
  - i. [Halloween – Lessons Learned, Parish Cllr Traynor – deferred in her absence.](#)
  - ii. [Christmas Tree – update by Parish Cllr Taylor - too costly not going ahead this year.](#)
6. **Allotments Tenancy -** [WPC review and agree draft/update -tenancy agreement not fit for purpose - parish council to agree a new tenancy agreement- meeting will be attended at DCC on Thursday for Allotment advice.](#)
7. **Bench Parish Rooms Garden –** [Parish Cllr Johnson to update. - Parishioners have asked if a bench can be put into garden- councillors agreed to canvas the residents who live close by draft a letter to residents.](#)
8. **Request from Amazon Jnr Football team -Decision –** [WPC to grant requested amount, up to maximum £500](#)
9. **Parish Grant –** [to review](#)

**AOB** - time permitting and at Chairs Discretion.

**DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> Dec 2024 at 7pm**

