WENTWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of Wentworth Parish Council (WPC) which was held at The Wentworth Pavilion at 6.30pm on Monday 21st September 2026

PC/072/26 Members present.
Councillor Mr B. McNamara - BJM (Chairman)
Councillor Mr S. Peace – StP (Deputy Chairman)
Councillor Mr R. Brent - RB
Councillors Mr J. Knight - JK, Mrs V Sykes - VS, Mrs C Shaw - CS,
Mr P. Martin - PM, Mr D. Booth - DB, Mr T.Hall – TH . Also attending Sharon Peace - Mrs SP, minute taker.

PC/073/26 Disclosures of Interest & Dispensations To receive declarations of interest in respect of items on this agenda in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 s32 and the relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 from Members or Officers and to consider any dispensation requests received by the Clerk under the Localism Act 2011 s33.
No Interests or Dispensations declared

PC/074/26 Absence.
Cllr J. Annetts
a) To receive apologies for absence.
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b) To consider the reasons for absence given by Councillors.
Received and approved for Cllr Annette - approved leave of absence until further notice, Minute Ref: **PC/067/26**.

PC/075/26 Public Participation - Abusive language or personal attacks will result in the meeting being suspended.
No Public Participation took place

PC/076/26 To receive and consider matters raised for and by RMBC.
BJM reported that the War Memorial had been cleaned and we are now awaiting an update on the War Memorial Project from RMBC.
RB provided an update on the current Speed Awareness initiative. WPC could participate if they provided £200 – one third of the cost of the speed gun. 4 participants from across the whole ward would ensure sufficient coverage, and training would be provided by the police. Following detailed discussion, BJM advised RB that WPC would consider participating in the project and reply to RB.
RB asked for the contact details from the Royal British Legion to order wreaths and crosses. SP agreed to forward these.
BJM reported that there was a large pothole outside Friars Croft. This has been reported to RMBC but needs escalating to safeguard elderly residents. CS advised she had reported a further pothole at the other end of Friar's Croft to RMBC. Following discussion, it was agreed that an additional light /downlighter is required outside the Mechanics Institute. RB to ask John Williams to review and advise.

PC/077/26 To receive and consider matters raised for and by Fitzwilliam Estate.
The new bin has now been installed on Clayfield Lane and the old one removed.
Relocation of Wentworth grit bin Barrowfield Garages – permission needs to be requested from RMBC to move it. PM provided the what3words for the new location – evenly.dabbling.sandals. SP to draft email an email to RMBC.

PC/078/26 Minutes of previous meetings
No alterations were required to the minutes of the previous meeting, unanimously accepted as correct. BJM asked all PC to discontinue use of the old Gmail PC accounts.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Council meeting held on the 20th July 2026 were accepted as a true record and were authorised to be signed by the Chairman subject to the amendments requested.

PC/079/26 Matters Arising from Previous Minutes.

The Action Point log was reviewed and updated.

209/225/25 and 032/26 to be cleared and new action points recorded re the Playground working party. CS and PM to take this work forward at present. CS to contact RMBC and Barnsley Councils re any potential funding for improvement. BJM asked PM to contact play equipment companies to request quotes. SP to draft wording for HAG explaining the playground equipment is coming to the end of its life, and to seek any contributions to the cost of replacements.

032/26 BJM reported that Andy Gittings is unable to work at present, and that he would contract John Broome to provide costings.

043/26 BJM to log SP onto the Eskia system once the Clerk email has been handed over.

065/26 SP to send an email to T&WCC explaining that if a signed, unamended version of the latest cricket agreement was not received by the 30th of September the agreement would be void. Unanimous vote in agreement.

066/26 JK reported that HAG have offered a working oven, free of charge, for Harley Pavilion. After discussion it was agreed that the oven could be installed, with a six-month test period, on the understanding that it would belong to WPC, would be PAT tested and would be removed immediately if it was wrongly used or if it broke. VS to obtain the outstanding 5-year electrical survey. BJM and VC to liaise with our electrician for installation. VS to include the conditions re use – warming food only, no cooking - in the contract conditions.

067/26 DB reported that the work at 9, Cricket View Road will require planning permission. JK advised that the resident there would be putting a new fence and double gate into the car park. JK also advised that the Union Flag was damaged and needed to be replaced . TH stated that if agreed it can be ordered from flying colours – proposed TH seconded CS.

PC/080/26 Financial Matters

Payments for August 2026

03.08.26	EON(HP)	DD	£	27.36	Electricity char
04.08.26	J Torry	SO	£	35.00	Window cleani
04.08.26	BS Nadasan	FPO	£	2,000.00	Pavilion render
04.08.26	PA&S Hayselden	FPO	£	1,200.00	Pavilion paintir
12.08.26	Everflow (WP)	DD	£	31.94	Water charges
13.08.26	Glasdon UK	FPO	£	549.68	Litter bin (WP)
17.08.26	Clerk	SO	£	80.00	Salaries
17.08.26	Eskia Computers	FPO	£	18.00	Domain name r
18.08.26	EDF (WP)	DD	£	95.49	Electricity char
18.08.26	Lloyds Bank	DD	£	4.25	Bank charges
28.08.26	Lloyds Bank	DD	£	4.25	Expenses
28.08.26	AWS	SO	£	993.63	Grounds Maint

Receipts in the month

18.08.26	T&WCC	£	1,500.00	CC 2nd instal
26.08.26	K Revill	£	45.00	Harley hires
26.08.26	COIF Interest	£	6.25	Bank Interes
28.08.26	Bank interest	£	14.28	Bank interes

Payments for approval - None

Bank Reconciliation as at 28.8.26

Wentworth Parish Council Community Account	£9,936.84
Wentworth Parish Council Deposit Account	£10,047.86

Payments for September 2026

01.09.26	HMRC	FPO	£	20.00	Clerk (Aug tax)
01.09.26	EON(HP)	DD	£	27.36	Electricity charges
01.09.26	J Torry	SO	£	35.00	Window cleaning
14.09.26	Everflow (WP)	DD	£	33.00	Water charges
15.09.26	Clerk	SO	£	80.00	Salaries
16.09.26	EDF (WP)	DD	£	120.90	Electricity charges
28.09.26	HMRC	FPO	£	20.00	Clerk (Sept tax)
28.09.26	AWS	SO	£	993.63	Grounds Maintenance
28.09.26	Lloyds Bank	DD	£	4.25	Bank charges
29.09.26	J Torry	SO	£	35.00	Window Cleaning
29.09.26	Ms Jane Hutchings	FPO	£	200.00	RFO
29.09.26	PKF Littlejohn	FPO	£	378.00	Auditor
29.09.26	Royal British Legion	FPO	£	308.00	Wreaths and crosses
29.09.26	WPC Chair	FPO	£	574.00	Pavilion materials

Receipts in the month

15.9.26	RMBC	£	16000.00
21.09.26	ABDCC Community	£	25.00

Payments for approval

Chair's expenses	£574.01	Pavilion materials
Royal British Legion	£308.00	Wreaths and crosses
Parish Clerk Salary	£200.00	Work completed since July
PKF Littlejohn	£378.00	Auditor

Bank Reconciliation as at 30.09.26

Wentworth Parish Council Community Account	£23,132.69
Wentworth Parish Council Deposit Account	£10,064.69

Cllr McNamara asked for approvals for the payments in September
RESOLVED that the Council approved payments to be processed

BJM advised that all AGAR documents must be displayed in noticeboards and online by 30.09.26.

PC/081/26 To consider Planning applications.

DB confirmed that the alterations to 9, Cricket View Road now need to be submitted for consideration by the planning department. Nothing further has been heard about planning permission for the T&WCC shed on the cricket grounds.

PC/082/26 Correspondence and emails received.

StP reported that an email had been received from a Wentworth resident complaining about the noise and disruption caused by roadworks directly outside her house. He had contacted John Williams who dealt with the complaint directly. The resident came back to thank SP for the work done on her behalf.

PC/083/26 Parish Councillors areas of Responsibilities and Parish Council Plan.

StP advised that he now post a hard copy of the traffic updates he received in the Wentworth noticeboard. They will also continue to be published on the WPC website. He had also approached Wentworth Woodhouse to ensure that the Food Festival signage was removed. He reported that the recent 10k road race around Wentworth had caused no traffic problems at all.

TH reported that two of the benches at Harley Pavilion were in disrepair and suggested that they should be removed and replaced by one bench. JK stated that the benches could be repaired. BJM said he would ask Glen Jones to check if the benches should be repaired or replaced.
VS advised the arrangements for the Remembrance event were well underway. She asked if StP would be the lead councillor again and he agreed. She will contact the Estate for help moving the chairs.
She reported that Harley Pavilion had taken more than £350 recently so asked permission to buy new mats from that profit. All unanimously agreed. Harley Pavilion fridge needs removing – JK advised he would deal with it. VS also asked if she could purchase an extra set of garage keys to make up three full sets. Unanimously agreed.
PK reported he would be looking at the grit bins again this Friday with TH. BJM advised there is grit at the garage, and they could meet at 2pm to fill the Leabrook bin.
JK reported that he was absent from the Ward Councillors surgery. He had not yet cleaned the noticeboard and bus shelters but would do so.
PK left the meeting at 8.32 pm

PC/084/26 Additional Items Authorised by the Chairperson.

BJM raised the issue of generating potential revenue from the Harley Garages (store). He is concerned about the amount of work and liability this could generate. JK offered to check potential prices for storage space and report back to the next meeting to inform the decision. BJM also discussed the lack of attendance at the Councillors surgeries - no members of the public had attended the Wentworth session in the last 5 months. CS and JK stated that Harley was well attended. SP to draft an email to Cllrs Williams and Brent advising that WPC would not be attending the Wentworth surgeries in future but would be happy to help if any issues were raised.

PC/085/26 To start discussions on new issues (Council members only) No decisions can be passed during this item.

BJM suggested that window cleaning should be arranged at Wentworth Pavilion. CS asked if Harley could be included. BJM to investigate and report back.

PC/086/26 To note diary dates.

a) 20th September 10K Race around Wentworth
b) 31st Oct Halloween (Mission)
c) 7th Nov Bonfire Night (Harley)
d) 8th November Remembrance Event (Wentworth)
e) 28th November Harley Christmas Fair (Mission)
f) 5th Dec Brass Band Concert Harley
g) 6th Dec Xmas Lights (Circle)

PC/087/26 To receive an update concerning the appointment of a Clerk for Wentworth Parish Council.

BJM advised the successful candidate would be in post from 1st October so this item will be removed from future agendas.

PC/088/26 Date and time of the next meeting - 19th October 6.30pm (Wentworth Pavilion)

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 08.45 pm.

Signed as a True Record

*Brendan J McNamara*CMIOSH MIIRSM
Cllr B. McNamara, Chair of Wentworth Parish Council