

Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council

I hereby give you notice that the next meeting of Welford Parish Council is to be held on:

Wednesday 3rd January at 7:00pm in Wickham Village Hall.

All members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend the Ordinary Parish Council meeting.

AGENDA

- 1. To receive apologies for absence**
- 2. To receive any Declarations of Interest.**

Members are reminded they should declare any known interests in any matter to be considered in this agenda.
- 3. To confirm and sign the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 1st November 2023**
- 4. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Meeting held on 1st November 2023**
 - 4.1 Members Bids for Wickham Bench and MUGA Basketball backboard.**
- 5. OPEN FORUM.**

To receive any questions, comments, or representations from the public. The meeting will be suspended for a maximum of 15 minutes. Each member of the public is limited to 5 minutes. No decisions can be made by the Council during public question time. After this period, the meeting will be resumed, and members of the public may only speak when invited to do so.
- 6. Reports**
 - 6.1 District Councillor's Report
 - 6.2 Chair's Report
 - 6.3 Clerk's Report
- 7. Correspondence**
- 8. Vehicles using B4000** – To discuss speeding vehicles and lorries using the B4000.
- 9. Request for funding from Welford Cricket Club** – To discuss and approve a further donation to Welford Cricket club.
- 10. Clerks Salary update** – To update the new rate of pay according to NALC salary update.
- 11. Budget 2024-25** To discuss and approve the budget for financial year 2024/25.
- 12. Precept Budget 2024/25** To discuss and approve the precept budget for financial year 2024/25.
- 13. Planning**
 - 13.1 Applications**

23/02845/HOUSE Weston House, Lambourn Road, Weston. Proposed removal of existing flat roofed extensions and replacement with an oak framed kitchen extension.

13.2 Decisions

23/01380/HOUSE 8 Easton Hill, Easton. Double Garage on Existing Parking Area. **APPROVED**

23/01250/FUL Halfway Cottage, Bath Road, Halfway. Conversion of existing garage to a residential annexe. **APPROVED**

14. Finance

14.1 Payments

29/11/2023	The Royal British Legion - Poppy Wreaths	99
28/11/2023	Wickham Village Hall - Hall Hire WPC 93	25
28/11/2023	ANGELA BOYCE - Clerk Salary November	605.82
26/10/2023	West Berkshire Council - Dog waste bin maintenance	292.58
26/10/2023	D K Gardening Service - MUGA and Common Maintenance October	160
26/10/2023	ANGELA BOYCE - Clerk Salary October	423

14.2 Receipts

11/12/2023	INTEREST (GROSS)	2.71
09/11/2023	INTEREST (GROSS)	2.63

15. Parish Plan update To discuss the Parish Plan

16. West Berkshire Council Consultation on spending proposals for 2024/25 – To discuss and agree any changes that may affect the PC

Welcome to Welford Parish Council, your local council representing your community. All meetings are open to the public. On rare occasions the Councillors can decide to exclude you for reasons of confidentiality. An example of this would be the opening of quotations for a specific project and the subsequent debate on commercial matters. You do not have the right to speak at this meeting unless invited to do so by the Council. Most Parish Councils enforce this rigidly; however, we try to ensure that the agenda normally includes an Open Forum of a maximum of 15 minutes where you are encouraged to bring matters to the attention of the Council. Each member of the public is limited to 5 minutes.

Open Forum

The Open Forum does not form part of the Parish Council meeting, will not be minuted and decisions cannot be reached by the Parish Council on subjects raised that are not the published agenda for the meeting. Therefore, any item you raise that is not on the agenda may need to be deferred to a later meeting at the Council’s discretion. In that way it will become an agenda item and considered at a future date. The Chairperson of the Parish Council Meeting will direct the Open Forum.

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Speaking on an Agenda Item

If you wish to speak on a specific agenda item, then:

1. You should make yourself known to the Clerk or to the Chairperson of the meeting, ideally before the meeting starts.
2. When the item on the agenda on which you wish to speak is reached the Chairperson may choose to invite the Council to suspend the meeting to allow you to speak. As the meeting is suspended at this point any comments made will not be minuted.
3. If the Council agrees then you can speak on the item which is concerning you. Please try to be brief: the Council has a lot to get through at most meetings. You have a maximum of 5 minutes.
4. Once you have made your points the Chairperson will ask the Councillors if they wish to ask you any questions and, if they do, you can reply to those questions.
5. The Chairperson will then resume the meeting and the Council will then debate the item. You do not have any right to speak during this debate. The only exception would be if a Councillor, through the Chair, wishes to put another question to you. Your Parish Council is there to represent you. Please make use of your Councillors

Clerk to the Council Angela Boyce. Dated 27 December 2023 *A Boyce*