

**WITTON LE WEAR PARISH COUNCIL,**

Community Centre  
School Street  
Witton le Wear  
DL14 0AS

**30<sup>th</sup> August 2024**

Dear Resident

**ORDINARY MEETING**

Notice is hereby given of a meeting of Witton Le Wear Parish Council at Witton le Wear Community Centre, on **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2024** commencing at **6:15 pm** for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Yours faithfully,

**Jenny Tremewan, Parish Clerk**

**AGENDA**

1. Welcome and Introductions – Welcome Laura  
Residents present, Charles, Tim, Janet.
2. Apologies – O.Wilson, M.Campbell
3. Declaration of interest - None
4. Minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2024  
Minutes Approved
5. Electronic Decisions since last meeting: -  
Nil
0. Actions from previous minutes: -
  - Witton Word - support for Clerk (agenda item)
  - Rights of Way - path closed- **JT to chase DCC path near Rita's. Ask Lynda- she might know the path**
  - Small Grants – payment- actually paid for the ambulance directly
  - Parish Plan conversations (agenda item) dealt with further down.
  - Correspondence - Untaxed car – now removed
0. Representation by Residents\* -  
Speed Limit A68 West End

Welcome Charles

Summarises where we are so far.

Site visits from Police over years- island added several years ago. Speed checks etc. Median speed high 50's.

More recently (2017), councils have said ave speed is 44mph.

Charles will seek another review of ave speed and contact DCC and advise they must comply with DFT guidelines.- Villages should be treated with special consideration.

Committed to a review that hasn't happened.

HML advises there are two issues-

Speed limit change and/or better signage.

Actions for PC- Write to traffic officer and push for the review. (Draft a letter to the traffic people)

Seek accident information over the last 10 years- Cllr Cook to ask

Working Group to report back for next week- Caroline, Laura, Charles (Peter Topping?)

0. Small Grants Programme- **JT to chase village voices on form.**

- 0. Financial Statement and report
- 0. Risk Assessment Updates

Asset report checked by Paul P and all up to date.

Wear Valley junction. One of the troughs by wear junction is unused.

Notice board at engine mans terrace to be repaired- Sarah M to organise for husband to repair  
Cllr Langstaff agrees to update add the agendas to the notice boards in the village, Enginemans terrace, st James Gardens and Community Centre

- 0. Planning matters

Nil

- 0. Parish Plan- PP updates. List of all organisations in the village collated. PP asks councillors for councillors to share the list and asks them to contribute and add/amend the list.
- 0. **Witton Word Tim shares a mock version of a colour copy magazine- 16 pages. 248.62 zero rated for VAT.**

### **3 QUOTES REQUIRED- JT to chase ELI press**

- 0. Correspondence Report
  - Cricket Field Entrance Gate 50% contribution can come from DCC but must come from Landowner.

Where should the other 50% come from

Actions- cllrs to speak to Ian Simon to request he makes the application.

- CDALC Communications – Summary circulated via email around extremism etc.
- DCC Consultations- Two live AAP still open and Council plan until 15<sup>th</sup> September, and Advice Services.

Action- Cllr Langstaff Wood to give thought to VE day celebration. Will start with training and put an article in the Witton Word.

#### 15. Members Reports.

Parking near Nature Reserve Cllr Langstaff

Cll Docherty queries verges on st james gardens- advised residents should contact Believe Housing.

**Cllr Cook advises the gates on the cemetery need improving. Remedial work- ask DCC. JT to email cemtries department and ask for remedial work on gates.**

PP advises footpath sign has been replaced (check previous minutes)

Olive asks about the trees as per email.

Resident Janet- says cars travel too quickly past the cemetery and signage can not be seen.

Signage is in the cemetery which must be maintained by the cemetery.

Janet thanks Cllr cook for the pot hole and the salt bins. Trees covering. Agreed we would ask Olive to look at the ones near the cemetery as depicted above.

#### 16. Date for next PC meeting- 11<sup>th</sup> November 2024

\*Opportunity for the public to raise matters of interest. Would residents please advise the Parish Council via email at [clerk.wittonlewearpc@gmail.com](mailto:clerk.wittonlewearpc@gmail.com) in advance of the meeting.