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Dated 10th January 2025

To All Councillors

You are hereby summoned to attend the **COUNCIL MEETING** of **WALMER TOWN COUNCIL** to be held on **Wednesday 15th January 2025 Walmer Baptist Church Hall, Kelvedon Road, Walmer. At 7pm.**

Roland Aldred
Town Clerk

AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**
To receive any apologies.
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**
To receive any declarations of interest from Members in respect of business to be transacted on the agenda. Attach 1
3. **OPENNESS AND TRANSPARENCY**
To remind those present of the following: -

The right to record, film and to broadcast meetings of the council, committees and sub committees is established following the Local Government Audit and Accountability Act 2014. This is in addition to the rights of the press and public to attend such meetings. While those attending meetings are deemed to have consented to the filming, recording, or broadcasting of meetings, those exercising the rights to film, record and broadcast must respect the rights of other people attending under the Data Protection Act 1998. Any person or organisation choosing to film, record or broadcast any meeting of the Council or a committee is responsible for any claims or other liability from them so doing.
4. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**
Update on various matters from the Chairman.
5. **MINUTES** Attach 2
To approve the minutes of the Council meeting of the 2nd October 2024.

6. REPORT ON ACTIONS FROM LAST MEETING

To receive a report on the actions from the last meeting

7. QUESTIONS AND/OR OBSERVATIONS FROM THE ELECTORATE OF WALMER

i) To agree to suspend the meeting for up to 15 minutes to allow discussion with members of the electorate of the Parish of Walmer present at the meeting on items of the agenda. Any items not on the agenda that members of the public wish to speak on will be noted for consideration of including on a future agenda.

ii) To receive a report from the DDC/KCC Members for Walmer.

8. CRIME AND ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR REPORTS

To receive a report from the Police on crime and anti-social behaviour in Walmer.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS + MINUTES

i. To receive any reports and any agreed minutes as follows:

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| a. Amenities + Environment - Minutes from Sept 25, 2024. | Attach 3 |
| b. Finance + General Purposes – Minutes from July 24, 2024. | Attach 4 |
| c. Walmer in Bloom Minutes from Sept 23, 2024. | Attach 5 |
| d. Events Committee – Minutes from Nov 19, 2024. | Attach 6 |
| e. Planning Committee – Minutes from November 12 and Dec 10, 2024. | Attach 7+8 |
| f. Climate Emergency Working Group — Minutes from Sept 19, 2024. | Attach 9 |
| g. Public Engagement Working Group – no minutes to present. | |

ii. To receive any comments about the draft minutes on Walmer Town Councils website. The following draft minutes are available on the website.

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| a. Amenities + Environment from the meeting held December 4, 2024. |
| b. Finance + General Purposes from the meeting held November 27. |
| c. Walmer in Bloom from the meeting held November 5, 2024. |
| d. Events Committee from the meeting held December 3, 2024 |
| e. Planning Committee – from the meeting held January 8, 2024. |
| f. Climate Emergency Working Group — from the meeting held November 14, 2024 |

iii. To receive a proposal from Cllr Richardson to disband the Public Engagement Working Group.

10. REPORT OF THE CLERK

To receive a report from the Clerk on matters received.

11. FINANCIAL REPORT

For noting:

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| a. Bank balances. | Attach 10 |
| b. Monthly statement for November and December. | Attach 11+12 |

- 12. MARKE WOOD TREES** Attach 13
To decide on if Walmer Town Council is to grant funds to Dover District Council to plant trees along the new pathway at Mark Wood.
- 13. BUDGET** Attach 14+15
To set for the year 2025/26:
a. The Councils budget.
b. The precept demand and authorise the Clerk and Chairman to sign said precept demand.
c. Reserves.
- 14. CONFIDENTIAL TO BE HELD UNDER THE PUBLIC BODIES (admission to meetings) ACT 1960**
To move to a private session to hear matters of a confidential nature.
- 15. HR MATTERS** ENC 1
To decide on recommendations from the HR Committee in respect of Wage increases for April 2025.
- 16. LEGAL ADVICE** ENC 2
To review and decide on whether legal advice should be sought in respect of access.
- 17. MARKE WOOD PLAY PARK** ENC 3
To decide on contribution to the Mark Wood Play Park renovation.
- 18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**
5th Feb 2025.

Declarations of interest

Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI)

Where a Member has a new or registered DPI in a matter under consideration they must disclose that they have an interest and, unless the Monitoring Officer has agreed in advance that the DPI is a 'Sensitive Interest', explain the nature of that interest in the meeting. The Member must withdraw from the meeting at the commencement of the consideration of any matter in which they have declared a DPI and must not participate in any discussion of, or vote on, the matter unless they have been granted a dispensation permitting them to do so. If during the consideration of any item a Member becomes aware that they have that they have a DPI in the matter they should declare the interest immediately and, subject to any dispensations, withdraw from the meeting.

Other Significant Interest (OSI)

Where a Member is declaring an OSI they must also disclose the interest and explain the nature of the interest at the meeting. The Member must withdraw from the meeting at the commencement of the consideration of any matter in which they have declared an OSI and must not participate in any discussion of, or vote taken on, the matter unless they have been granted a dispensation to do so or the meeting is one at which the members of the public are permitted to speak for the purpose of making representations, answering questions or giving evidence relating to the matter. In the latter case, the Member may only participate on the same basis as a member of the public and cannot participate in any discussion of, or vote taken, on the matter and must withdraw from the meeting in accordance with the Council's procedure rules.

Voluntary Announcement of Other Interest (VAOI)

Where a Member does not have either a DPI or OSI but is of the opinion that for transparency reasons alone they should make an announcement in respect of a matter under consideration, they can make a VAOI. A Member declaring a VAOI may still remain at the meeting and vote on matter under consideration

Note to the code:

Situations in which a member may wish to make a VAOI include membership of outside bodies that have made representations on agenda items; where a Member knows a person involved, but does not have a close association with that person; or where an item would affect the wellbeing of a Member, relative or close associate, employer ect. but not their financial position. It should be emphasised that an effect on the financial position of a Member, relative, close associate, employer ect would probably constitute either an OSI or in some cases a DPI.



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DRAFT Minutes of the Meeting of Walmer Town Council held on Wednesday 6th November 2024 at The Baptist Church Hall, Kelvedon Road, Walmer.

Present Councillors: Cllr L Ludwig (Chairing as Vice Chairman), Cllr M Eddy, Cllr T Grist, Cllr R Blackwell, Cllr A Friend, Cllr J Murray, Cllr D Richardson, Cllr P Ludwig, Cllr M Simpson Cllr S Waite-Gleave, Cllr E Crockford, Cllr P Findley and Cllr P Jull.

Officer Present: Roland Aldred, Town Clerk

353. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs Lee, and Bond offered apologies that were accepted.

354. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations were made.

355. OPENNESS AND TRANSPARENCY

The Chairman reminded all those present of the openness and transparency statement.

356. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Cllr L Ludwig reported:

- i. Thanked all the volunteers who had made their way to Hawkshill to help with the haymaking. The banners around the town had a great response and at one time we had 15 volunteers helping with the raking. Cllr Ludwig also wish to thank Cllr Findley and the Gazen Salts team who have cut the designated third of the plateau.
- ii. The UK prosperity fund will be funding a brush cutting course for some of our volunteers from Hawkshill.

357. MINUTES

Members received the minutes of the Council meeting held on Wednesday, 2nd October 2024.

RESOLVED: That the minutes be approved and signed.

Proposed by Cllr Friend

Seconded by Cllr Eddy

For 13

Against 0

Abstain 0

358. REPORT ON ACTIONS FROM THE LAST MEETING

The Clerk reported:

Cllr Crockford had circulated an answer to members question regarding the office at the back of Deal Town Hall. The office is used for a base for the Police officers but is not manned for the public to make reports at the office.

Office painting quotes are being sought; initial contact suggests work would not be carried out till Mar/Apr time.

359. QUESTIONS AND/OR OBSERVATIONS FROM THE ELECTORATE OF WALMER

- i. No members of the public were present
- ii. Cllr Murphy of Kent County Council sent in a report:
Cllr Murphy is currently pursuing KCC on 5 individual highways matters in Walmer. He is also working on the KCC budget awaiting the HMG LG settlement.

360. CRIME AND ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR REPORTS

PC Sophie Bramble was present at the meeting and introduced herself to the Members. Reports of thefts from motor vehicles continue, PC Bramble encouraged all members of the public to be vigilant and to lock car doors. Further reports of anti-social behaviour have been received and more resources have been dispatched to the area to deal with this. Cllr Blackwell asked about the usage of electric scooters, PC Bramble advised that the Police had the power to seize electric scooters if used on public highways. PC Bramble encouraged everyone to sign up to the My Community Voice portal. The Community Speed watch have been active, and the Police have been supporting the scheme.

PC Bramble urged any members of the public to report all crimes as the statistics are used in planning resources so if crimes were not reported areas would be less likely to get the resources required.

361. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND MINUTES

- i. To receive any reports and any agreed minutes as follows:
 - a. Amenities + Environment - No minutes to present.
 - b. Finance + General Purposes – no minutes to present.
 - c. Walmer in Bloom – No minutes to present
 - d. Events Committee – Minutes from August 20, 2024.
 - e. Planning Committee – Minutes from September 10, 2024.
 - f. Climate Emergency Working Group — No minutes to present
 - g. Public Engagement Working Group – no minutes to present.

RESOLVED: Members agreed to note the minutes of all the above committees.

Proposed Cllr Friend

Seconded Cllr Eddy

For 13

Against 0

Abstain 0

- ii. To receive any comments about the draft minutes of meetings taken place since the last council meeting.
 - a. Events – Minutes from 16 October 2024.
 - b. Planning Committee – Minutes from 8 October 2024.
Cllr Eddy asked a question in regarding the progress of the Christmas event for 2024. Cllr Grist informed him that progress had been made, delays were caused by

dealing with the issues in the new DDC Events policy. This left only Walmer Town Council with only six weeks to plan the event. Agreements have now been reached on issues with the new events policy and we are currently tying up the last of the performers. A review for next year will include looking at alternative locations as the allowances made for this year by DDC may not apply next year.

RESOLVED – To note

Proposed Cllr Eddy

Seconded Cllr Friend

For 13

Against 0

Abstain 0

362. REPORT OF THE CLERK

The Clerk reported:

- i. The assignment of the lease for No 8 is now completed.
- ii. The office received a few telephone calls last week about road closures. For 2 days both Cornwall Road and Station Road were closed with traffic lights on Salisbury Road Cllr D Murphy of KCC is picking this up as to why the major roads were all closed at the same time.

363. FINANCIAL REPORT

- i. Bank Balances

Members received the bank balances

Bank Balances as at 31/10/24

Charity Bank	£100,000.00
Redwood bank	£100,000.00
Unity Trust current	£31,841.04
Unity Trust Deposit	£168,573.12
Total	£400,414.16

- ii. Monthly Finance report

Members received the October 2024 monthly financial report.

Financial update for month of October 2024

Balance at start of month £414,703.54

Payments			Receipts		
Who	For	Amount	Who	For	Amount
Apex Clean Ltd	Office Cleaning	£160.00	Allotment Holder	Allotment Deposit and Insurance	£105.00
Mr D Halpin	Window Cleaning	£12.00			
Walmer Parish Churches	Hire of meeting room	£120.00			
Mazars	Audit of Accounts	£756.00			
Dover District Council	Business Rates	£2,316.32			
Staff	Salaries	£5,333.04			
KCC LPGS	Staff Pensions	£2,148.32			
Walmer Baptist Church	Hire of meeting room	£30.00			
Mitec	Telephone Bill	£154.03			
Allotment Holder	Allotment Deposit Refund	£100.00			
Castles	Shredding	£26.00			
The Workplace Depot	Event security posts	£471.56			
Start Safety	Traffic Signs for Hawkshill	£95.40			
HFE Signs	Banners for Hawkshill	£154.82			
EDF	Utility Bill	£6.75			
Lloyds Bank	Service Charge	£3.00			
Kent Procurement Services	Photocopier rental	£184.31			
RS Components	Thermal Camera Calibration	£124.20			
HMRC	Staff Tax and National Insurance	£1,496.95			
Business Stream	Utility Bill	£25.48			
KALC	Courses and conferences	£187.20			
Urban Displays	Deposit for Children's Festival	£400.00			
Viking	Stationary	£156.50			
Chapman Gardeners	Walmer In bloom baskets	£1,075.82			
Chapman Gardeners	Hawkshill security posts	£138.40			
Unity Bank	Service Charge	£9.90			
Total		£15,686.00	Total		£105.00
Balance at end of month		£399,122.54			
This month spend		-£15,581.00	Last year		-£11,610.88
% of yrs precept for month		6.25%	% of precept for month		4.72%
Total net spend YTD		-£97,753.83	Total spent LYTD		-£94,666.66
% of precept YTD		39.23%	% of precept LYTD		38.46%

RESOLVED – Members agreed to note the bank balances and monthly finance update.

Proposed Cllr Jull

Seconded Cllr Eddy

For 13

Against 0

Abstain 0

Cllr Jull noted that each month we were back paying the business rates to DDC.

RESOLVED – To pay the entirety of the moneys owing to reduce the admin time to clear the payment

Proposed – Cllr Jull

Seconded – Cllr Crockford

For 13

Against 0

Abstain 0

iii. External Auditors Comments on the AGAR

Members received the AGAR completed by the external auditor.

RESOLVED – That there were no matters that the auditor had brought to the attention of the council and therefore no action required so this should be noted.

Proposed – Cllr Eddy

Seconded – Cllr Waite-Gleave
For 13

Against 0

Abstain 0

364. INVITATIONS AND EVENTS

Cllr Bond and the Clerk attended the installation of the Lord Warden on the 29th October 2024 as guests of Deal Town Council.

Invites for 3 remembrance services on the 10th and 11th November have been received Cllrs L Ludwig, J Murray and R Blackwell will be attending to lay wreaths.

Cllr L Ludwig has been invited to attend a lunch at Deal, Betteshanger and Walmer Rugby and Social Club.

365. TREE POLICY

Members received a draft copy of a tree policy

RESOLVED – To accept the policy and allow for future amendments.

Proposed – Cllr Waite-Gleave

Seconded – Cllr Findley

For 13

Against 0

Abstain 0

366. OUTDOOR GYM

Members received a written report into the progress of the outdoor gym, along with recommendations on next steps

RESOLVED – To appoint three Councillors to work alongside the office as a working party to move the project forward. First point of action will be to put together a project management plan.

Proposed – Cllr Findley

Seconded – Cllr L Ludwig

For 12

Against 0

Abstain 1

RESOLVED – To appoint Cllrs L Ludwig, P Ludwig and D Richardson to the working party for the Outdoor Gym.

Proposed – Cllr L Ludwig

Seconded – Cllr P Ludwig

For 13

Against 0

Abstain 0

367. TWINNING SURVEY

Members received a written report detailing the results of the twinning survey carried out.

RESOLVED – Due to the low response rate and the small number of interested parties in being a volunteer for the committee the Clerk to contact the interested parties and the Tennis Club to inform them that due to insufficient interest the Council will not be pursuing the offer of Town Twinning

Proposed – Cllr Murray

Seconded – Cllr Eddy

For 8

Against 5

Abstain 0

368. MARKE WOOD TREES

Following a presentation from Dover District Council members considered supporting DDC in planting trees along the path at Marke Wood. Members supported the planting of trees but debated how the financial side of the support would be dealt with.

RESOLVED – To support in principle the planting of the trees along the pathway and request details of the impact of a donation from Walmer Town Council will provide.

Proposed – Cllr Murray
Seconded – Cllr Eddy
For 8 Against 5 Abstain 0

369. TREE CUTTING

Members received a written report from the Clerk making recommendations about delegated power due to the previously agreed contractor being unable to fulfil the contract to cut down the trees at Hawkshill.

RESOLVED – To delegate to the Clerk and Chairman of Walmer in Bloom to spend up to £8720 to get the trees removed.

Proposed – Cllr Richardson
Seconded – Cllr Findley
For 13 Against 0 Abstain 0

370. TO MOVE IN TO A PRIVATE SESSION

RESOLVED – To move into a private session to decide on matters confidential in nature.

Proposed – Cllr Friend
Seconded – Cllr Eddy
For 13 Against 0 Abstain 0

371. HR MATTERS

Members received a recommendation on a progression plan for a member of staff

RESOLVED – To agree the recommendation.

Proposed – Cllr Friend
Seconded – Cllr Eddy
For 13 Against 0 Abstain 0

372. DRILL FIELD

Members received legal advice from a solicitor on the proposed leasing contract for the Drill Field.

RESOLVED – Ask the clerk to have terms amended as per the advice.

Proposed – Cllr Friend
Seconded – Cllr Eddy
For 12 Against 1 Abstain 0

373. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

15th January 2024.

The meeting closed at 20.30 pm.

Signed: Date:



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MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of the Amenity and Environment Committee held on Wednesday 25th September 2024 at 7pm at Elizabeth House, St Marys Road, Walmer.

Present Councillors:

Cllr M Eddy (Chair), Cllr D Richardson, Cllr P Ludwig, Cllr S Waite-Gleave, Cllr R Blackwell, Cllr P Findley, Cllr M Simpson and Cllr L Ludwig (ex officio).

Roland Aldred –Town Clerk

278. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Lee and were accepted.

279. OPENNESS AND TRANSPARENCY

The Chairman reminded the meeting of the terms of various rights to record and transmit the transactions of the meeting under the Local Government Audit and Accountability Act 2014.

280. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations were made.

281. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Members received the minutes of the committee meeting held on Wednesday 26th June 2024.

AGREED

That the minutes are a true record and are approved.

Proposed by Cllr Findley.

Seconded by Cllr P Ludwig.

For 7

Against 0

Abstain 1

282. REPORTS ON MATTERS FROM LAST MEETING

Cllr Eddy reported that due to outside matters he had made no further progress on the historic walk project.

283. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Four members of the public were present and made representations about the negative effect of sound pollution from ball games on the MUGA to the residents of Cornwall Road.

284. MUGA

- a. Members received a written report on the survey into usage of the MUGA, Members noted that the response rate was low and therefore were unable to draw any conclusions from this.
- b. Members received a verbal report from Cllr L Ludwig about noise pollution from the MUGA connected to complaints from item 283.

AGREED

To request the Clerk extensively search the options to reduce the noise to the residents of Cornwall Road, to review planning permissions for any conditions limiting options and to report back to the Amenities and Environment Committee.
Proposed by Cllr Eddy.

Seconded by Cllr L Ludwig.

For 8 Against 0 Abstain 0

285. HIGHWAYS IMPROVEMENT PLAN

- a. Members received a copy of the latest Highways Improvement Plan, and the Clerk gave an update on the HIP priority items.

AGREED

To remove item 4 – Double yellow lines on Kelvedon Road and Hershall Road East.

Proposed by Cllr P Ludwig

Seconded by Cllr Blackwell

For 8 Against 0 Abstain 0

- b. Questions raised by the public:

- i. Gladstone Road

Members received a written report from the Clerk on a request from a member of the public to review adding a small section of double yellow lines to Gladstone Road to make access easier.

NOTED

Members noted the report.

Proposed by Cllr Findley

Seconded by Cllr P Ludwig

For 8 Against 0 Abstain 0

Members received a written report from the Clerk on a request from a member of the public to review adding double yellow lines to the north side of Canada Road.

NOTED

Members noted the report.

Proposed by Cllr Findley

Seconded by Cllr L Ludwig

For 8 Against 0 Abstain 0

- c. Additional items for future HIP discussions.
No items were raised.

287. STONEY PATH

Members received a written report from the Clerk updating them on the Stoney Path project progress and an update on the progress in determining ownership of the land.

AGREED

To note the progress of the ownership of the land and delegate Cllrs Findley, P Ludwig and the Clerk to review and if required to contract for further cutting with Red Dog.

Proposed – Cllr Blackwell

Seconded – Cllr Waite-Gleave

For 8 Against 0 Abstain 0

288. OUTDOOR GYM

Members received a written report on the progress of the outdoor gym including some ideas of costs.

AGREED

Based on option 2 to provide Full Council with a report of the potential cost of the project to get support for the project including cost. To send DDC planning a copy of the environmental study completed to see if this is sufficient if not to obtain costs for a study. And to get quotes for a ground survey to be completed, all of these items are for presentation at the November full Council meeting.

Proposed – Cllr L Ludwig

Seconded – Cllr P Ludwig

For 8 Against 0 Abstain 0

289. DRILL FIELD

- a. Members received a verbal report from Cllr L Ludwig on improving communications with the Rugby Club.

AGREED

To appoint Cllr L Ludwig as the point of contact with the Rugby Club.

Proposed - Cllr P Ludwig

Seconded – Cllr Simpson

For 8 Against 0 Abstain 0

- b. Members received a verbal report from the Clerk in to issues with parking on the access road to the Drill Field.

AGREED

To ask Cllr L Ludwig to pick this up with the Rugby Club.

Proposed - Cllr L Ludwig

Seconded – Cllr P Ludwig

For 8 Against 0 Abstain 0

290. CEWG TERMS OF REFERENCE

Members received a written recommendation from the Climate Emergency Working Group on amendments to the Terms of Reference.

AGREED

To accept the recommendations.

Proposed – Cllr Eddy

Seconded – Cllr Blackwell

For 8 Against 0 Abstain 0

291. WALMER AGAINST PLASTIC POLLUTION

Members received a written recommendation from the Climate Emergency Working Group the campaign for Walmer Against Plastic Pollution.

AGREED

To accept the recommendations for a campaign to encourage organisations to reduce plastic pollution.

Proposed - Cllr Waite-Gleave

Seconded – Cllr P Ludwig

For 8 Against 0 Abstain 0

292. BUDGET

Members received recommendations from Climate Emergency on a budget for the year 2025/26.

AGREED

To recommend the budget with an amendment to recommend money left over from Churchill Avenue budget for 2024/25 is carried forward as reserves.

Proposed – Cllr Findley

Seconded – Cllr Simpson

For 8 Against 0 Abstain 0

Members received a draft budget for the Amenities and Environment Committee for 2025/26.

AGREED

To accept the Budget and to put in £9k for the Stoney Path Project and £33k for the Outdoor Gym Project.

Proposed – Cllr Findley

Seconded – Cllr P Ludwig

For 7 Against 0 Abstain 1

9pm was reached.

AGREED

To extend the meeting by 15 minutes to allow business to be concluded.

Proposed – Cllr Findley

Seconded – Cllr P Eddy

For 8 Against 0 Abstain 0

293. ALLOTMENTS

Members received quotes for cutting of the ivy on the wall of the allotments.

AGREED

Members agreed to offer the contract to Red Dog.

Proposed – Cllr Findley

Seconded – Cllr P Ludwig

For 8 Against 0 Abstain 0

293. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting: TBC.

Clerk to review opportunities to move meeting by a few days.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21.05.

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Signature

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Date



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MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held at 7pm on Tuesday, 24th July 2024 at 8 The Strand, Walmer

Present: Cllr P Jull (Chairman), Cllr P Ludwig, Cllr D Richardson, Cllr J Murray, and Cllr L Ludwig (ex officio)

Officer(s) Roland Aldred (Town Clerk)

194. ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE FOR 2024/25

Cllr Jull was the only nomination received.

RESOLVED – Cllr Jull was elected Chairman of the Finance and General Purposes Committee for the year 2024/25.

Proposed – Cllr P Ludwig

Seconded – Cllr D Richardson

For - 5 Against -0 Abstain -0

195. ELECTION OF THE VICE-CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE FOR 2024/25

Cllr P Ludwig was the only nomination received.

RESOLVED – Cllr P Ludwig was elected Vice Chairman of the Finance and General Purposes Committee for the year 2024/25.

Proposed – Cllr Richardson

Seconded – Cllr Jull

For - 5 Against - 0 Abstain - 0

196. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Cllrs Simpson, Waite-Gleave, Findley Friend, Eddy and Lee offered apologies that were accepted.

197. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

Cllr Jull declared a VAOI in respect of items 201 and 207 as the representative was known to him.

198. OPENNESS AND TRANSPARENCY.

The Chairman reminded all present of their responsibilities under the Local Government Audit and Accountability act in respect of the public attending and recording meetings.

199. MINUTES.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 30th April 2024 were received.

RESOLVED – To accept the minutes as a true and accurate record of the 30th April 2024 meeting.

Proposed – Cllr Jull

Seconded – Cllr Richardson

For -5

Against -0

Abstain -0

200. COUNCIL FINANCE UPDATES.

- i. To receive the 1st quarter of 2024/25 financial position vs the budget vs 2023/24 financial position for the councils spend.

RESOLVED – To note the report.

Proposed – Cllr P Ludwig

Seconded - Cllr Jull

For -5

Against -0

Abstain -0

- ii. To note the bank reconciliation up to 30/06/24

RESOLVED – To note the reconciliation.

Proposed – Cllr Jull

Seconded - Cllr Richardson

For -5

Against -0

Abstain -0

201. GRANT APPLICATIONS.

Members heard an application for a small grant from a representative of the Cinque Ports Football Club.

202. FINANCIAL REGULATIONS.

Members received a written copy of the updated recommended NALC Financial Regulations adapted to Walmer Town Councils needs.

RESOLVED – To make a recommendation to Full Council subject to some minor language changes to accept the updated financial Regulations.

Proposed – Cllr Murray

Seconded – Cllr P Ludwig

For -5

Against -0

Abstain -0

203. BANK ACCOUNT.

Members received a written report from the Clerk detailing other possible new accounts that Walmer Town Council could open, as Nationwide Bank are currently not accepting any new commercial accounts.

RESOLVED – To recommend to council opening a Redwood bank business 35 day saver account and depositing £100k.

Proposed – Cllr Jull

Seconded Cllr Richardson

For -5

Against -0

Abstain -0

204 PREFERRED SUPPLIER

Members received a written report from the Walmer in Bloom Committee requesting setting up a new preferred supplier for maintenance work on Hawkshill.

RESOLVED – To accept the recommendation of Walmer in Bloom and make Red Dog our preferred supplier for Hawkshill Maintenance.

Proposed – Cllr P Ludwig

Seconded – Cllr Murray

For -5

Against -0

Abstain -0

205 ELECTRICITY AND GAS

Members received written reports and quotations for new Gas and Electric supply for the office at No 62 The Strand. Quotations were received for Renewable and standard types of both gas and electric.

RESOLVED – To accept the British Gas Renewable 36 month quote for both electricity and gas.

Proposed – Cllr Murray

Seconded – Cllr P Ludwig

For -5

Against -0

Abstain -0

206. Confidential to be held under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960

Members voted to move in to a private discussion to allow members to discuss whether or not to award the grant

RESOLVED – To move to a private session

Proposed – Cllr Jull

Seconded – Cllr P Ludwig

For -5

Against -0

Abstain -0

207. GRANTS.

Members considered the grant applications from item 201

RESOLVED – To recommend to Full Council to award a grant of £500 to the Cinque Ports Football Club.

For -5

Against -0

Abstain -0

208. DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

15th October 2024.

The meeting ended at 19.55.

Chairman:

Date:



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Minutes of the meeting of the Walmer in Bloom Committee held on Monday 23rd September 2024 at 62 The Strand, Walmer, at 7.00 pm.

Present: Cllr L Ludwig (Chairing), Cllr D Richardson, Cllr P Ludwig, Cllr P Findley, Cllr E Crockford

Officers present: J Miles (Administration Officer)

266. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received Cllr S Waite-Gleave, Miss A Late, Mrs D Bogue

267. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None declared

268. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

RESOLVED – That the minutes be taken as an accurate record.

Proposed by: Cllr Richardson

Seconded by: Cllr P Ludwig

For 5

Against 0

Abstain 0

269. QUESTIONS AND/OR OBSERVATIONS FROM THE ELECTORATE OF WALMER

None

270. ADMIN REPORT

NOTED: Report has been forwarded to the committee members.

Proposed by: Cllr P Ludwig

Seconded by: Cllr Findley

For 5

Against 0

Abstain 0

271. WALMER PEACE GARDENS.

I. No update was available for the meeting, Mrs Bogue to forward notes to admin at later date

II. Admin and Cllr Crockford to look into more information on WPG sign.

RESOLVED- Cost options to be looked into

Proposed by: Cllr Findley

Seconded by: Cllr P Ludwig

For 5

Against 0

Abstain 0

III. No update on waste removal was available for the meeting

IV. WPG committee to be advised that Peter Findley is very happy to assist or give advice if they require it.

V. Hedging on one area of the gardens has been brought up as a concern by a member of the public, Admin to look into this further.

272. BUDGET

- I. **RESOLVED:** Budget to be modified as requested and forwarded to F&GP.

Proposed by: Cllr L Ludwig

Seconded by: Cllr Crockford

For 5 Against 0 Abstain 0

273. HAWKSHILL

- I. **RESOLVED:** To adopt Management Plan for Hawkshill once minor changes have been made to it by Mr S Coates and Cllr P Findley.

Proposed by: Cllr P Ludwig

Seconded by: Cllr Richardson

For 5 Against 0 Abstain 0

- II. **RESOLVED:** as part of 273 .1

- III. Weather permitting Gazen Salts team will commence cutting week commencing 4th November. The raking will take place 2 days afterwards.

- IV. **RESOLVED:** Admin to order 2 x banner as based on the prices already acquired from earlier orders.

Proposed by: Cllr P Ludwig

Seconded by: Cllr Richardson

For 5 Against 0 Abstain 0

- V. **RESOLVED:** Admin to look into some clarification on course requirements and if suitable to contact other groups interested in the course.

Proposed by: Cllr Findley

Seconded by: Cllr P Ludwig

For 5 Against 0 Abstain 0

- RESOLVED:** To purchase if required 1 x brush cutter and 3x required PPE.

Proposed by: Cllr L Ludwig

Seconded by: Cllr Richardson

For 5 Against 0 Abstain 0

- VI. **RESOLVED:** Cllr L Ludwig to research and then purchase £100 worth of bluebells

Proposed by: Cllr P Ludwig

Seconded by: Cllr Richardson

For 5 Against 0 Abstain 0

- VII. **RESOLVED:** Cheapest quote selected to take to full council as over £2k, for final approval.

Proposed by: Cllr Findley

Seconded by: Cllr P Ludwig

For 5 Against 0 Abstain 0

274. VOTE TO EXTEND MEETING FOR 15 MINUTES WAS TAKEN

- RESOLVED:** Meeting extended

Proposed by: Cllr Richardson

Seconded by: Cllr P Ludwig

For 5 Against 0 Abstain 0

275. LOCAL CAMPAIGN 2024

- I. **RESOLVED:** Press release to be edited by Cllr Crockford and Admin for posting to other locations

Proposed by: Cllr Findley

Seconded by: Cllr Ludwig

For 4 Against 1 Abstain 0

- II. Chain replacement to be postponed until quote has been received.

276. PURCHASES/DONATIONS

RESOLVED: Committee confirmed previous decision that Hawkshill site was not appropriate for the trees being offered. The committee wanted the donor to be thanked and the offer to be passed to A&E, who may identify appropriate sites

Proposed by: Cllr L Ludwig

Seconded by: Cllr P Ludwig

For 5

Against 0

Abstain 0

277. ISSUES FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AGENDA

- I. All issues for inclusion have been accepted for the next agenda.
- II. Possible Change of Name for Committee

288. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 5th November at 19:00.

The Meeting closed at 21:15

Signed _____

Dated _____



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Minutes of the Events Committee held on Tuesday 19th November 2024 at No 62 The Strand, Walmer at 5.30pm.

Present: Cllr Tony Grist (Chairman); Cllr Diana Richardson, Cllr Adrian Friend, Cllr Ludwig and Cllr Crockford.
Officers Present: Lynne Simmons – Events Officer.

384. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Cllr Simpson offered apologies that were accepted.

385. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

No interests were declared.

386. OPENNESS AND TRANSPARENCY.

The Chairman reminded those present of the terms of openness and transparency.

387. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

Members considered the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 16th October 2024.

RESOLVED – That the minutes be taken as a true and accurate record.

Proposed by: Cllr Friend

Seconded by: Cllr Grist

For 5 Against 0 Abstain 0

388. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA.

None.

389. EVENTS BUDGET.

- i. Members received the Events working Budgets for 2024/25.

NOTED.

390. EVENT PLANNING FOR CHRISTMAS EVENT 2024.

- i. Members discussed various aspects of the event and noted the contents of the report provided. Several members commented on how much they liked the final banner design and noted that wider advertising for the event would commence this week.

RESOLVED. It was proposed that lighting (festoon and static fairy lights) should be ordered for the marquee at an additional cost of £30.00 plus VAT.

Proposed by Cllr Grist

Seconded by Cllr Ludwig

For 5 Against 0 Abstain 0

RESOLVED. It was proposed to extend an invitation to welcome all involved with the Deal Carnival Christmas Parade and to accept the kind offer made for Santa to meet/greet and mingle with the families at the event.

Proposed - Cllr Friend

Seconded – Cllr Richardson

For 5 Against 0 Abstain 0

RESOLVED. Members approved the purchase of The Music Licence to cover two Walmer Town Council events over the next year at a cost of £124.50 plus VAT.

Proposed - Cllr Friend

Seconded – Cllr Richardson

For 5 Against 0 Abstain 0

- ii. Members discussed the draft running order of the event and observed that the final playlist ideally needs to be confirmed for the next meeting on Tuesday 3rd December 24, to enable sufficient time for the event programmes to be produced.

The officer reported that Peter Cook, Director of Learning and Participation Deal Music & Arts had been in contact via email to express how disappointed they are to not be able to support this year's event. He also confirmed they do wish to take part in more community activities and hope to work with Walmer Town Council on future community events.

RESOLVED. It was agreed to approve a payment of £200 for the singing duo, The Black Keys and White Notes to perform a 30-minute set of well-known popular Christmas songs taken from the preferred playlist.

Proposed - Cllr Friend

Seconded – Cllr Ludwig

For 5 Against 0 Abstain 0

391. EVENT PLANNING FOR CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL 2025.

- i. The officer provided an update on an initial conversation with David Hawkes regarding the possibility of him supporting the Children's Festival with his sound system and DJ booth etc. Members were keen for the officer to continue to pursue this as a potential option and to confirm costs.

NOTED.

- ii. Members approved the 2025 "Save The Date" A5 flyer for the Children's Festival.

RESOLVED.

Proposed by: Cllr Richardson

Seconded by: Cllr Friend

For 5 Against 0 Abstain 0

392. EVENT REVIEW – BROCANTE 2024.

- i. Members noted the feedback received from Brocante stallholders and were pleased at the number of positive responses received regarding the organisation of the event.

NOTED.

- ii. Members discussed several items including the number of radios, car parking including the sourcing of car park stewards, security requirements, waste removal and the cleanliness of public toilets. The officer was actioned as below:

- To confirm with DDC the permissions for car parking on Walmer Green and to establish any constraints which will be put in place under the new DDC Events Policy.
- To discuss with John Trickey the possibility of having additional trained volunteers from Deal Carnival to support with car parking and whether additional radios could also be borrowed from Deal Carnival for the event.
- To identify what the requirements are with regards to the provision of security personnel for the event. Following this, to set out what different options there may be to achieve this.
- To confirm with DDC the schedule for cleaning of the public toilets at Marine Road and how peak periods are managed effectively.

Cllr Friend left the meeting at 18.35pm.

393. FUTURE/OTHER EVENTS 2024

- i. Members reviewed the report from the office regarding the meeting at Walmer Castle and discussed some opportunities for future events at the Castle.

394. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 3rd December 2024 @ 5.30pm.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.00pm.

Signed

Date



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Present: Councillors:

- Cllr J Murray (Chair)
- Cllr R Blackwell
- Cllr T Grist
- Cllr M Simpson
- Cllr Waite-Gleave

Officers present: John Miles (Administration Officer)

374. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs Bond and Lee offered apologies that were accepted.

375. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None Submitted

376. OPENNESS AND TRANSPARENCY

All those present were reminded of the Rights and Obligations under the Local Government Audit and Accountability Act 2014.

377. A SHORT GUIDE TO PLANING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS

Resolved- Noted

378. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Resolved – That the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record.

- i. **Proposed:** Cllr Blackwell
 - ii. **Seconded:** Cllr Waite Gleave
- For: 5 Against:0 Abstain: 0

379. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE

None Received

380. PLANNING DECISIONS

Reference	Site	DDC	WTC	Description
24/00879	Ashdon Hawksdown Walmer Deal CT14 7PJ	Grant Consent	No Objection	Fell one Norway Maple (T10) the subject of Tree Preservation Order No 3 of 1971.

24/00697	137 Dover Road Walmer CT14 7JH	Grant Consent	No Objection	Display of 1 internally illuminated freestanding digital advertisement screen
24/00878	Courtney Hawksdown Walmer Deal CT14 7PJ	Grant Consent	No Objection	Fell one Beech (T18) the subject of Tree Preservation Order No 3 of 1971
24/00886	26 James Hall Gardens Walmer Deal Kent CT14 7TA	Grant Planning Permission	No Objection	Erection of single storey front extension
24/00569	11 Kennedy Drive Walmer CT14 7TQ	Grant Planning Permission	No Objection	Erection of rear conservatory
24/00940	6 St Mildreds Court Walmer CT14 7NH	Grant Planning Permission	No Objection	Erection of pitched roof front extension, garage conversion and door opening to side elevation
24/00861	Woodhelven St Clare Road Walmer CT14 7QB	Grant Planning Permission	Objection- Walmer Town Council objects to this application on the grounds of overlooking and loss of privacy for the neighbouring property	Erection of a single storey rear extension with balcony privacy screen/railings, single storey side extension, steps to rear, and alterations to windows/doors including insertion of first floor side window (existing single storey side extension to be demolished)
24/00925	24 Warwick Road Walmer Deal Kent CT14 7JE	Refuse Planning Permission	Objection- Walmer Town Council objects to this application on the ground that the design as laid down is out of character with the local street scene.	Erection of first floor extension, rear extension, external cladding and window openings. Erection of detached garden room.
24/00912	Flat 14 Mountbatten House Halliday Drive Walmer Deal Kent CT14 7QN	Grant Planning Permission	No Objection	Replacement of 6no dormer windows on front, rear and side roof elevations and 1no casement window on the rear elevation.
24/00913	Flat 14 Mountbatten House Halliday Drive Walmer Deal Kent CT14 7QN	Grant Listed Building Consent	No Objection	Replacement of 6no dormer windows on front, rear and side roof elevations and 1no casement window on the rear elevation.
24/00891	37 Canada Road Walmer CT14 7EQ	Withdrawn	Objection- Walmer Town Council Objects to this application on the following grounds. i. Overlooking, into neighbouring bedrooms and other habitable rooms, as well as	Proposed inset balcony within existing rear extension, re- rendering of external walls and erection of rear high level retractable canopy

			neighbouring gardens. ii. Interlooking, into neighbouring bedrooms and other habitable rooms. iii. Loss of privacy into neighbouring bedrooms and other habitable rooms, as well as neighbouring gardens.	
24/00784	Walmer Lawn Tennis And Croquet Club Archery Square Walmer CT14 7HP	Grant Consent	Objection- Walmer Town Council Objects to this application on the following grounds. i. Common Holly (T26) is not within the perimeter of the proposed extension of the courts ii. Myrobalan Plum (T27)- There are insufficient arboricultural or other reasons for this tree to be destroyed.	Fell one Common holly (T26) and one Myrobalan plum (T27) both the subject of Tree Preservation Order No. 28 of 2023.
24/00667	37 Poets Walk Walmer Deal CT14 7QD	Grant Consent	Objection- Walmer Town Council objects to this application on the ground of insufficient need to pollard the Holm Oak (T1) to the 8m point	Rolling consent to reduce one Holm Oak (T1) the subject of Tree Preservation Order No 1 of 1965 to an eight metre pollard followed by the re-pollarding back to previous pollard points once every three years for a maximum period of twelve years.

- i. Cllr Waite Gleave to contact DDC Tree Conservation Officer regarding possible improvements to communications between WTC and DDC.

381. PLANNING APPLICATIONS – NEW

- I. **DOV/24/01090 – 25 Archery Square, Walmer, CT14 7JA**
Erection of raised rear terrace with insertion of french doors and replacement front porch
Resolved: No Objection
Proposed: Cllr Simpson
Seconded: Cllr Grist
For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0
- II. **DOV/24/01014- 8 Greenacre Drive, Walmer, Deal, CT14 7UQ**
Fell one Horse chestnut the subject of Tree Preservation Order No 1 of 1965.
Resolved: Objection- Walmer Town Council Objects to this application on the following grounds.

For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

VIII. DOV/24/01111- 86 Blenheim Road, Walmer CT14 7HA

Erection of single storey side/rear, first floor side extensions, rear dormer window with Juliette balcony, insertion of rooflights to front roofslope alterations to windows, metal cladding and erection of an outbuilding

Resolved: Objection- Walmer Town Council Objects to this application on the following grounds.

- i. Loss of light for neighbouring properties
- ii. Loss of Privacy for neighbouring properties
- iii. Materials not in keeping with the original and surrounding residences
- iv. Design not in keeping with the original and surrounding residences
- v. Overdevelopment of the location

Proposed: Cllr Blackwell

Seconded: Cllr Grist

For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

IX. DOV/24/00840 – Victoria Place, Halliday Drive, Walmer, CT14 7FH

London Plane (T1) crown lift canopy on South, East and West facing sides to 5- 6 metres above ground level; London Plane (T2) crown lift canopy on West facing side to 5-6 metres above ground level, both the subject of Tree Preservation Order No 1 of 2015.

Resolved: Objection - Walmer Town Council Objects to this application on the following grounds.

- i. The works on the tree are considered as too severe, however Walmer Town Council supports the removal of dead wood from T1 as required.

Proposed: Cllr Simpson

Seconded: Cllr Waite Gleave

For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

382. APPLICATIONS OUTSIDE OF WALMER

I. DOV/24/01050: Land South West of Sholden Drive

Reserved matters application pursuant to outline application 22/00652 for the details of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for phase 2A, for the erection of 81 dwellings, car parking and infrastructure.

Resolved: Objection- Walmer Town Council objects to this application on the following grounds.

- i. The committee is concerned about the potential overload of already stretched foul water sewage systems in and around this site which, once completed will deliver foul water connections to the system which has recently had a number of leaks resulting in inconvenience for both residents and the water company.

These include a burst sewer pipe on 3rd July 2024 in Golf Rd which required the involvement of the environment Agency in the necessary clean up.

As recently as September 21st this year there was a burst main near the A256 Sandwich by-pass which required extensive use of tankers to collect and transport the foul water elsewhere.

On September 23rd two further bursts were apparently detected near the site of the 21st September burst.

- i. The tree in question is not damaged or diseased and under threat of dying.
 - ii. Leaf drop is not a reason to cut down a healthy tree.
- Proposed:** Cllr Waite Gleave
Seconded: Cllr Grist
For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

III. DOV/24/01041- Yew Tree Lodge, 15 Church Street, Walmer, Deal

Reduce in height by 1 metre, reduce laterally by 0.5 metres and cut back to give 1 metre clearance from the roof of one Yew (T1) the subject of Tree Preservation Order No 22 of 2023.

Resolved: No Objection
Proposed: Cllr Simpson
Seconded: Cllr Blackwell
For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

IV. DOV/24/01053- 28 Herschell Square, Deal, CT14 7SF

Erection of a first-floor side extension, single storey rear extension, garage conversion to residential accommodation, first floor rear terrace with railings and new window openings.

Resolved: No Objection
Proposed: Cllr Grist
Seconded: Cllr Blackwell
For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

V. DOV/24/01104- Trinity Homes, St Clare Road, Walmer, Kent

Reduce the height by a maximum of four metres, reduce the length of the north facing branch arising at height ten metres above ground level by a maximum of 2.5 metres, reduce the length of the north facing branch arising at height twelve metres above ground level by a maximum of 2.5 metres and reduce the length of the south facing branch arising at height eight metres by a maximum of 1.5 metres of one Corsican Pine (T1) the subject of Tree Preservation Order No 8 of 1983.

Resolved: No Objection
Proposed: Cllr Waite Gleave
Seconded: Cllr Simpson
For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

VI. DOV/24/01107- Block 1 - 6, Finch Mews, Walmer, CT14 7XS

Crown reduce by 3 metres overall (to approx 1 metres below old reduction points) of three Limes (T1, T2 and T3) the subject of Tree Preservation Order No 5 of 1988.

Resolved: Objection - Walmer Town Council Objects to this application on the following grounds.

- i. Extensive pollarding is too much for these trees.

Proposed: Cllr Blackwell
Seconded: Cllr Waite Gleave
For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

VII. DOV/24/01110- 108 Blenheim Road, Walmer CT14 7EY

Erection of a single storey side/rear extension (part existing rear extension to be demolished)

Resolved: No Objection
Proposed: Cllr Waite Gleave
Seconded: Cllr Simpson

This committee is concerned that the potential problems caused by adding a large number of dwellings to this already creaking system could have serious environmental and health issues and request the DDC Planning committee to impose conditions which would ensure that the foul water sewage system in this area is made fit for purpose before any connections are made from this proposed development.

This request is supported by a recommendation from the council's own planning officer in DOV/22/01409 that no connections are made until Southern Water have completed their planned work to ensure that the sewage system in this area is fit for purpose and can cope with the inevitable extra demand.

Extract from Officer's Report- DOV/22/01409

6. "Southern Water- No discharge of foul sewerage from the site shall be discharged into the public system until offsite drainage works to provide sufficient capacity within foul network to cope with additional sewerage flows are complete. Southern Water is currently in process of designing and planning delivery of offsite sewerage network reinforcements..."

Proposed: Cllr Grist

Seconded: Cllr Simpson

For: 5

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

383. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 10th December 2024 @ 7pm

The meeting closed at 20:15

Signed Dated



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Present: Councillors:
 Cllr J Murray (Chair)
 Cllr T Grist
 Cllr K Lee
 Cllr M Simpson
 Cllr Waite-Gleave

Officers present: John Miles (Administration Officer)

421. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs Bond and Blackwell offered apologies that were accepted.

422. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None Submitted

423. OPENNESS AND TRANSPARENCY

All those present were reminded of the Rights and Obligations under the Local Government Audit and Accountability Act 2014.

424. A SHORT GUIDE TO PLANING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS

Resolved- Noted

425. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Resolved – That the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record.

- i. **Proposed:** Cllr Waite Gleave
 - ii. **Seconded:** Cllr Simpson
- For:5 Against:0 Abstain: 0

426. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE

None Received

427. PLANNING DECISIONS

Reference	Site	DDC	WTC	Description
24/00949	Beechwood Hawksdown Walmer CT14 7PJ	Grant Consent	Objection- Walmer Town Council objects to this application on the grounds of insufficient grounds to raise the crown of the tree as this will leave only a third of the crown, and cause a reduction of amenity	Crown raise to 5.4 metres on north side of canopy of one Sycamore (T7) the subject of Tree Preservation Order No 3 of 1971.

			value of tree in terms of both shade and biodiversity habitat	
24/00895	Hawkshill Farmhouse Hawkshill Camp Road Walmer CT14 7PT	Grant Planning Permission	No Objection	Erection of fences and entrance gates (retrospective)
23/01324	20 Granville Road Walmer CT14 7LS	Grant Planning Permission	<p>Comments: Walmer Town Council strongly objects to this application due to severe overlooking from the proposed large windows and the balcony which, combined with the proposed position of the new property close to the boundary of a neighbouring home, 64 Liverpool Rd together with height of the full-length doors and a flat roof which they open onto will remove all privacy from surrounding houses and gardens.</p> <p>In particular any occupants of the new property will automatically be able to overlook not only the house and garden of number 64 Liverpool Rd, but also the house and garden of the existing number 20 Granville Rd.</p> <p>It has also been noted that an earlier planning application for 20 Granville Road- Ref. No: 19/00774 included a requirement not to overlook the property on the Granville Road side of the property. WTC suggests that such a requirement be imposed as a condition should planning permission be granted.</p> <p>There has also been voiced the possibility that the location may be under a Restricted Covenant along the Liverpool Road side of the property. This may need to be looked into before a final decision is made.</p>	Erection of a dwelling with associated parking
24/01041	Yew Tree Lodge 15 Church Street Walmer Deal CT14 7RX	Grant Consent	No Objection	Reduce in height by 1 metre, reduce laterally by 0.5 metres and cut back to give 1 metre clearance from the roof of one Yew (T1) the

428. PLANNING APPLICATIONS – NEW

I. DOV/24/01183- 25 Granville Road, Walmer, Deal, CT14 7LQ

Reduce in height by 4 metres and reduce in lateral spread by 2 metres of one Sycamore (T1) the subject of Tree Preservation Order No 1 of 1959.

Resolved: Objection- The proposed reduction on a healthy tree will needlessly damage the tree and will change tree into a virtual stump which will alter and damage the visual aspect of the street.

Proposed: Cllr Waite Gleave

Seconded: Cllr Grist

For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

II. DOV/24/01187- 19 Cavalry Court, Walmer, CT14 7GF,

Replace side elevation door with French door in enlarged opening. Remove internal ground floor wall. Insert partition to form utility room.

Resolved: No Objection

Proposed: Cllr Simpson

Seconded: Cllr Lee

For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

III. DOV/24/01159- Shoreline House, 82 Wellington Parade, Walmer, CT14 8AB

Erection of a two storey rear extension with external steps, replacement/extended roof with solar panels, balcony with glass balustrade to ground floor west & east elevations, alterations to windows/doors, and new external wall with timber cladding (existing conservatory and ground floor balcony to be demolished)

Resolved: No Objection

Proposed: Cllr Grist

Seconded: Cllr Waite Gleave

For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

IV. DOV/24/01124- Land Fronting St Marys Road , Rear Of Redcote, St Clare Road, Walmer

Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) of planning permission 21/00776 (Erection of 2no. detached dwellings with vehicular access and associated parking (front boundary wall to be demolished and trees to be removed)) to increase roof height and insertion of dormer windows to plot 1

Resolved: Objection- Walmer Town Council Objects to this application on the following grounds.

i. Loss of Privacy for neighbouring properties

ii. Overlooking of neighbouring properties

iii. Excess height of dormer

Proposed: Cllr Simpson

Seconded: Cllr Waite Gleave

For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

V. DOV/24/01228- 51 Canada Road, Walmer, CT14 7EQ,

Erection of single storey rear and side extensions (existing side extension to be demolished.

Resolved: No Objection

Proposed: Cllr Simpson
Seconded: Cllr Grist
For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

VI. DOV/24/01204- Annexe, Crows Nest, 98 Wellington Parade, Walmer

Change of use of annexe to holiday let

Resolved: No Comment
Proposed: Cllr Grist
Seconded: Cllr Simpson
For: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

429. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 8th January 2025 @ 7pm

The meeting closed at 19.45



Signed Dated



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Minutes of the Climate Emergency Working Group Meeting

Held 19th September 2024 at No 62 The Strand, Walmer at 7:00pm

PRESENT: Cllr M Eddy, Cllr R Blackwell, Cllr S Waite-Gleave, (Chairing)

- **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr L Ludwig, Mrs S Fisher

- **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

- **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

- Agreed and signed off.

RESOLVED – That the minutes be taken as an accurate record.

Proposed by: Cllr Eddy

Seconded by: Cllr Blackwell

For 3 Against 0 Abstain 0

- **MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

- **NOTED-** Admin informed the working group of the status of matters outstanding; website, thermal camera service, plastic free July, WTC to sign up, enquiring into additional sites for Making Space for Nature project.

Proposed by: Cllr Eddy

Seconded by: Cllr Blackwell

For 3 Against 0 Abstain 0

- **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

None

- **ONGOING PROJECTS**

- **Thermal Camera Scheme**

RESOLVED – Leaflets are to be distributed to areas concentrating on Upper and Middle Walmer, including current and ex-council houses. Scheme to be advertised on Facebook and website.

Proposed by: Cllr Waite Gleave

Seconded by: Cllr Eddy

For 3 Against 0 Abstain 0

RESOLVED – To send request for funding calibration for the Thermal Camera to A&E

Proposed by: Cllr Waite Gleave

Seconded by: Cllr Eddy
For 3 Against 0 Abstain 0

- **Participation in Deal TC Climate Action Day**
Admin to begin putting together photos and information for the Climate Action Day display for 16th November. Noted: Cllr Waite-Gleave suggested list of 8 projects to include, and to have oversight of texts. CEWG Committee members to assist with finalisation display board on Friday 8th November.

Local Nature Recovery Strategy

- **Walmer And Deal Action for Swifts Project**
 - **NOTED:** A report was received by Cllr P Findley regarding the WALDAS project.
Proposed by: Cllr Waite-Gleave
Seconded by: Cllr Eddy
For 3 Against 0 Abstain 0
- **DDC Climate and Nature Forum**
Noted- Minutes from the Nature forum have been seen and noted by the Working Group. Cllr Waite-Gleave to send issues regarding biodiversity and restoring nature for the next DDC C&N Forum meeting on 16th Oct which DDC biodiversity officer will be attending.
Proposed by: Cllr Eddy
Seconded by: Cllr Blackwell
For 3 Against 0 Abstain 0
- **KALC Dover Forum Meeting**
Cllr Waite-Gleave informed working group on updates from the KALC Dover Forum Meeting, a representative from Kent Resilience Forum briefed the meeting on current requirements for resilience in the face of climate change and extreme weather events expected. New updated- resilient plan for WTC is currently being drafted by Cllr Waite-Gleave and the Town Clerk.
- **Seawater Quality**
Noted- The EA report on seawater quality Deal Castle Beach now rated only sufficient. CEWG to look into the creation of a citizen's project to check sea water quality in the Walmer area, water testing kit to be acquired.
Proposed by: Cllr Waite Gleave
Seconded by: Cllr Blackwell
For 3 Against 0 Abstain 0
- **BUDGET**
RESOLVED – Amended Budget to be forwarded to A&E Committee for the next meeting.
NOTED-: CEWG will seek information on improving energy efficiency of the office, reducing energy bills.
Proposed by: Cllr Waite Gleave
Seconded by: Cllr Eddy
For 3 Against 0 Abstain 0
- **POSSIBLE FUTURE AIMS AND INITIATIVES.**
 - None
- **ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR OBSERVATIONS.**
 - None

- **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Thursday 14th November at 19:00 at No 62 The Strand.

Meeting ended 20:25

Bank Balances as at 31/12/24

Charity Bank	£100,000.00
Redwood bank	£100,000.00
Unity Trust current	£25,138.59
Unity Trust Deposit	£133,600.14
Total	£358,738.73

Financial update for month of November 2024
 Balance at start of month £ 399,122.54

Payments Who	For	Amount
Dover District Council	Business Rates	£8,986.14
Apex Clean Staff	Office Cleaning Salaries	£160.00
KCC LPGS	Staff Pensions	£5,081.43
E-On Next	Utilities- No 8	£2,034.90
Mr D Halpin	Window Cleaning	£83.58
SWCAA	Insurance-Allotment Plot	£12.00
Red Dog Garden Services	Ivy Clearance From Allotments	£5.00
Mitec	Telephone Bill	£1,000.00
Public Works Loan Board	Loan Repayment	£150.84
Amazon	Sealant Paint	£7,563.40
Pitman Training	Exam	£18.25
Walmer Baptist Church	Hire of Church Hall	£138.00
Dover District Council:	Refund for Walmer Green hire	£30.00
EDF	Utility Bill	-£280.00
HMRC	Staff Tax and National Insurance	£43.21
Hardmans solicitors	Refund	£1,345.53
Lloyds Bank	Bank Charges	-£1,043.73
Edge IT	Annual Fees	£3.00
HFE Signs	Christmas Concert Banners	£1,437.98
Kent Copier Services	Photocopier Charge	£179.76
Boston Seeds	Bluebell Bulbs for Hawkshill	£506.62
Unity Bank	Bank Charges	£103.99
		£10.65
Total		£27,570.55

Balance at end of month **£372,163.06**

This month spend -£26,959.48
 % of yrs precept for month 10.82%
 Total net spend YTD -£124,713.31
 % of precept YTD 50.05%

Receipts Who	For	Amount
Mr Price	Donation to Walmer In Bloom	£100.00
KCC	EV Charge Point Share	£511.07
Total		£611.07

Last year -£26,318.37
 % of precept for month 10.69%
 Total spent LYTD -£120,985.03
 % of precept LYTD 49.16%

Attach 110

Financial update for month of December 2024
 Balance at start of month £ 372,163.06

Payments Who	For	Amount
Apex Clean	Office Cleaning	£280.00
Business Stream	Utilities Bill	£312.29
KCC LGPS	Pensions	£2,034.90
Staff	Salaries	£5,081.63
Mitec	Telecoms Bill	£147.94
DDC	Business Rates	£291.97
Eagle Security	Office Security	£96.00
Mr D Halpin	Window Cleaning	£12.00
Trainline	Train Tickets	£56.26
Amazon	Cable Ties	£17.98
Pitman Training	Exam	£138.00
DDC	Christmas Concert	£366.00
Land Registry	Request for information	£6.00
Walmer Parish Churches	Hire of Meeting room	£33.75
DTW Tools	Purchase of Brushcutter	£871.50
Viking	Stationary	£69.44
Clir P Ludwig	Key Cutting	£36.00
HMRC	Staff Tax and National Insurance	£1,345.33
Dallas Events Service	Hire of Marquee and Stage	£1,800.00
Mark 1 Music	Hire of Sound system	£1,089.00
Black Key and White Notes	Performance at Christmas Concert	£200.00
PRS	Licence for 12 Months	£149.40
EDF	Utilities Bill	£52.28
British Gas	Utilities Bill	£34.61
Unity Bank	Bank Charges	£10.20
Lloyds Bank	Bank Charges	£3.00
Total		£14,535.48

Balance at end of month **£358,738.73**

This month spend	-£13,424.33
% of yrs precept for month	5.39%
Total net spend YTD	-£138,137.64
% of precept YTD	55.43%

Receipts Who	For	Amount
Openreach	Wayleave Payment	£80.11
Barclay's Bank	BCP Payment	£4.02
Unity Bank	Credit Interest	£1,027.02
Total		£1,111.15

Last year	-£18,037.44
% of precept for month	7.33%
Total spent LYTD	-£139,022.47
% of precept LYTD	56.49%



Item: Marke Wood Trees.

Date: 07/01/25.

Meeting: January Full Council.

From: Roland Aldred.

Following on from the November meeting discussion on tree planting at Marke Wood, Dover District Council have now pulled together the figures for the cost.

A contribution of £2000 would be roughly equivalent to the cost of three trees. These tree are already planted so the decision is whether or not you wish to be seen to be involved in the project or not? Below is an artist impression of what the are will look like when tree are in bloom.

There is a photo shoot booked for the 16/1/24 that we are invited to send a representative to attend should we contribute to the project.





Item: Budget 24/25 explanations.
Date: 16/11/23.
Meeting: Finance and General Purposes.
From: Cllr Jull and Roland Aldred.

Background information

Inflation

Inflation is currently running at 2.3% (CPI) and has been falling from 4.6% in Jan this year. Last year we saw inflation rate of up to 10% but since this point there has been a fairly steady downturn. Most recently for the first time due to energy costs we have seen a small upturn in inflation. Attempting to guess where inflation will go and how long it will last is a fruitless exercise, however, we have attempted to build in some allowance for it, even though whatever is decided may be inadequate, it will at least offset some of the extra cost.

Activities

This year we forecast to be at around budget for spending vs income, however this does not factor in the requests of committees to move some unspent funds in to reserves once this is factored in, we would have an overspend of Approx £16k based on the forecast. A provisional agreement to contribute £25k to a playground at Marke Wood was reached and this has been factored in to the costs for this year although this has still to be given full agreement, if this money was to be taken out we would be under budget for the year. We also had to cover previous years business rates which added £12k worth of cost, we go back to being exempt from business rates going forward.

Other factors to consider

For 2023/24 the previous Clerk was able to negotiate with DDC to no longer support Marine Road Toilets which saved £14k in cost, however with the new administration at DDC they are now requesting support again for this location in 2024/25. The amount has yet to be agreed and we await a further offer from DDC in respect of this. Currently forecast is there previous best offer.

Staffing

The HR committee has worked on a review of staffing levels This has brought about the planned reduction in staffing costs.

Below are the explanation related to the budget (see over comments are vs previous years budget)

Expenditure

Administration – A decrease in overall budget this would be due to savings on meeting rooms and small savings on subscriptions and travel expenses.

Administration - £2k increase mainly due to expected insurance increases as our current 3 year deal is due to expire

Allotments – small increase due to increased costs for utilities for Campbell road.

Audit fees – small increase to allow for increase in costs.

Election expenses – Proposing £3k one quarter of a election cycle.

Events – no changes.

Grant and Donations – No changes

Hawkshill – No changes on last years budget.

Land Management – increase of £2k due to likelihood of repairs being required to roadway access to drill field, small increases in budgets for the Peace Garden and MUGA unlocking.

Office premises – reduction due to removal of No 8 as an asset.

Loan – no changes

Professional and Legal – no changes

Projects and Activities – Increase in budget for WIB due to requirement to replace chains on hanging baskets, £1k budget added for historic walk project. £33k to be added to outdoor gym project.

Publicity and Promotion – No change.

Staff salaries – Increases to cover agreed on changes to hours and NI increases announced in budget.

Stoney path – No changes.

Climate Emergency – Decrease in requested funding with the water refill to be completed this year or moved to reserves to complete.

Tree planting – bring back a £2k budget as reserves potentially will be spent this year (subject to council agreement on DDC project).

Income

Bank interest – obviously subject to interest rate changes which are looking at reducing over the next year, to counter some of effect this WTC has money in higher interest accounts.

Events – small reduction due to reduced rate offered at Children’s Festival. Brocante may be a risk due to new events policy that may not allow for car parking on the green, this is under negotiation and we hope to resolve this early 2024.

EV points – estimated income of £1000.

Recommendation – To recommend budget proposal for total budget (expenditure – income) of £281280.

Precept

Options

1. To recommend to full council a precept of £283,780 to cover the entirety of the budget for 2024/25.
2. To recommend to full council a lower precept and use some/all of the unallocated reserves to cover the difference between the budget and the precept. Members when doing this should take a long term view with a thought to the fact eventually when the unallocated reserves are used up a larger increase in tax will be required to bring the precept back to the budget. In this case the increase is largely being caused by a one off project and therefore is not a long term annual cost that will cause in the future a need for increasing precept.
3. To amend the budget and using the revised amount take up option 1 or 2 with revised budget amount.

The recommendation of the Finance and General Purposes Committee is to demand a precept of £261,312.20 with the remained of £22467.80 to come out of unallocated reserves, this represents a 0% increase to the tax payer year on year.

Members to decide whether on whether to accept recommendations.

Reserves

Committees have put forward requests to move upsent budgets from 2023/24 in to reserves for 2024/25 as shown on the bottom of the budget sheet.

The recommendations of the Finance and General Purposes Committee is to accept the reserves as listed.

Members to decide whether on whether to accept recommendations.

Heading	Sub heading	23/24	24/25		25/26 proposed		Notes
		Actuals	Current YTD	Forecasted for balance at of year	Budget	Budget	
Administration	General Office Costs	£871.12	£1,476.00	£2,600.00	£3,000.00	£3,000.00	
	Insurance	£1,988.18	£2,289.39	£2,289.39	£2,500.00	£2,800.00	Allows for increase as our current 3 year deal expires
	Allowances	£5,130.00	£0.00	£5,130.00	£7,200.00	£7,500.00	Allows additional for review due in 24/25
	Travel exp	£153.15	£0.00	£90.00	£50.00	£250.00	
	Office Equip	£660.89	£450.00	£450.00	£1,500.00	£1,500.00	
	Civic Functions	£0.00	£0.00	£110.00	£200.00	£200.00	
	Web	£175.00	£0.00	£250.00	£250.00	£500.00	
	Telecoms	£1,537.55	£829.68	£1,500.00	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	
	Meeting Costs	£193.50	£150.00	£700.00	£0.00	£1,200.00	No8 will no longer be option to cost to increase
	Subscriptions	£2,235.67	£1,800.00	£1,800.00	£2,300.00	£2,500.00	KALC
	Bank Charges	£172.70	£98.90	£150.00	£250.00	£250.00	
Allotments	Camibell Road	£141.83	£67.70	£900.00	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	
	Utilities	£1,045.00	£470.51	£1,200.00	£1,000.00	£1,200.00	Will be countered by new deposits
	Refunds	£80.84	£262.39	£262.39	£0.00	£300.00	
Audit Fees	Audit fees	£925.00	£770.00	£1,100.00	£1,300.00	£1,350.00	
Election expenses	Election fees	£9,040.88	£0.00	£0.00	£3,000.00	£3,000.00	moves to reserves each year to allow for one by election and £12k for full election
Events	Childrens Festival	£4,222.20	£3,718.22	£5,000.00	£5,500.00	£5,400.00	
	Best of Kent	£2,071.92	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	
	Brocante	£1,891.91	£1,971.75	£1,971.75	£3,500.00	£3,000.00	
	Christmas carols/event	£1,764.50	£0.00	£3,100.00	£3,100.00	£3,200.00	
	Sport Spectacular	£1,785.18	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	
	Replacement event 2024 (NEW)	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£2,400.00	£3,000.00	
	Events general	£61.51	£516.63	£516.63	£500.00	£400.00	
Grants and Donations	General Grants	£2,200.00	£1,650.00	£2,500.00	£3,000.00	£3,000.00	
	Green Grants	£443.43	£700.00	£1,200.00	£1,500.00	£1,500.00	re-duced from Fisk request
	Capital Grants	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	
Hawthill	Hawthill Management plan	£1,300.84	£1,029.34	£10,000.00	£13,500.00	£13,500.00	
Land Management	Drill Field/access road/ lighting	£0.00	£466.00	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	£2,500.00	Will need to allow some money in case of repair work
	Peace Garden	£88.20	£495.72	£1,500.00	£1,500.00	£2,000.00	Routine maintenance
	Emergency works (trees, hedges ect)	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£2,000.00	£1,000.00	Locking an unlocking 2 years included for 22/23
Office Premises	MUGA	£1,282.50	£1,361.72	£1,361.72	£1,350.00	£1,500.00	
	Maintenance No 8	£385.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	
	Running Costs No 8	£7,179.64	£8,731.88	£12,500.00	£8,000.00	£0.00	Current year includes bus rates
	Maintenance No 62	£462.66	£1,389.84	£4,000.00	£5,000.00	£4,000.00	
	Running Costs No 62	£3,326.40	£4,694.50	£11,000.00	£3,000.00	£3,500.00	Current year includes bus rates
Loan	PWLB	£15,126.80	£7,563.40	£15,126.80	£15,130.00	£15,130.00	
Professional and Legal	Legal fees - General	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	
	HR	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	
	IT	£7,949.93	£137.46	£3,000.00	£4,000.00	£3,700.00	
Projects and Activities	Walmer In Bloom	£5,651.59	£4,857.36	£5,000.00	£5,400.00	£7,800.00	includes replacement chairs for baskets
	A&E (highways improvements)	£0.00	£0.00	£7,000.00	£8,000.00	£8,000.00	
	Historic Walk	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1,000.00	
	Outdoor Gym	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£33,000.00	
	ODC Toilets	£21,915.30	£0.00	£29,000.00	£24,000.00	£29,000.00	
	New project	£6,000.00	£0.00	£25,000.00	£0.00	£0.00	
Publicity and Promotion	Newsletter fees (public Consult)	£494.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1,500.00	£1,500.00	
	Noticeboard refurbishment	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1,000.00	£1,000.00	
Tree survey	Tree survey	£0.00	£0.00	£595.00	£0.00	£300.00	
Staff Salaries	Salaries and Pension	£106,570.05	£59,039.76	£100,000.00	£93,000.00	£110,000.00	
	Training staff/clbs	£748.65	£1,300.37	£1,900.00	£2,500.00	£2,500.00	
	Payroll processing	£875.75	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	
Stony Path	Stony path project	£60.00	£0.00	£2,000.00	£9,000.00	£9,000.00	Suggest we hold scheme for a year. £750 budget for all CEWG
Climate emergency	Beebombs	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£425.00	£0.00	
	Thermal Camera	£102.60	£103.50	£103.50	£110.00	£150.00	
	Swift boxes (NEW)	£0.00	£0.00	£440.00	£440.00	£100.00	
	Water Refill Stations (NEW)	£0.00	£0.00	£4,000.00	£4,000.00	£0.00	
	Water testing kits	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£500.00	
	Walmer against plastic stickers	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£50.00	
	Churchill Avenue (NEW)	£0.00	£0.00	£1,000.00	£2,000.00	£1,600.00	
Tree planting	Tree planting	£0.00	£0.00	£4,000.00	£0.00	£2,000.00	
Total		£213,261.67	£107,899.02	£272,307.18	£251,355.00	£302,380.00	

Precept for 2023/2024 received £249,190.00

Income	23/24 Actuals	Projected 24/25	25/26 Forecast
Bank Interest	£4,953.20	£8,000.00	£6,000.00
Events	£314.10	£900.00	£300.00
	£5,685.01	£7,000.00	£7,000.00
	£680.00	£0.00	£0.00
	£160.00	£0.00	£0.00
	£2,678.25	£7,700.00	£2,700.00
Allotments	£890.95	£900.00	£1,000.00
Hawthill	£530.36	£0.00	£0.00
EV Point	£0.00	£500.00	£1,000.00
Grants & Donations	£600.00	£600.00	£600.00
Total	£16,491.97	£20,000.00	£18,600.00

Total expenditure minus income 23/24 actual £196,769.70 24/25 forecast £252,307.18 24/25 less money moved to reserves £264,732.18 25/26 forecast £283,780.00

Reserves	2023/24	2024/25*
Outdoor @tm	£11,000.00	£11,000.00
Cycle Hub	£0.00	£0.00
Building	£20,000.00	£20,000.00
Hawthill	£8,000.00	£8,000.00
Financial impact	£12,305.99	£12,305.99
Legal	£10,000.00	£10,000.00
Tree planting	£2,000.00	£2,000.00
Stony path	£0.00	£1,000.00
Notice board	£0.00	£7,000.00
Road improvements	£8,000.00	£9,000.00
General Reserves	£61,529.96	£61,529.96
Beebombs	£0.00	£425.00
Election	£9,000.00	£12,000.00
Total	£141,835.95	£154,260.95

*assuming this changes in budget are agreed.

unallotted reserves as at 31/3/24 £104,762.00
unallotted reserves forecast as at 31/3/25 £89,219.82

The recommendation of the finance and general purposes committee is to request a precept of £261,312.20. This would represent a 0% increase in the taxable amount paid per household. The additional £22,467.80 to reach the budget of £283,780.00 would be taken out of unallotted reserves