



**NEW WALTHAM**  
PARISH COUNCIL

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## -MINUTES OF A MEETING-

NEW WALTHAM PARISH COUNCIL – PAVILION HALL – NEW WALTHAM  
ON WEDNESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2024 .

Present:	Cllr. Dinsdale Shaw Anneka Ottewell-Barrett (Clerk & RFO)
	Cllrs, Raper, Simpson, Bridges, Sandell, Breed, Poucher, Johnson
Apologies:	Cllrs, Keys, Hebbar, Baker
In Attendance	Cllr Harness, Dawkins & Shreeve
Cllrs/others:	PC Dave Cave
There was 1 members of the public present.	

24/100	<u>To receive apologies for non-attendance.</u>  Accepted.
24/101	<u>Declarations of Interest – Code of Conduct 2012</u>  Chair – Planning.
24/102	<u>Minutes of Previous Meeting</u>  Approved.
24/103	<u>Police Report</u>  PC Dave Cave in attendance, ward priorities are burglaries and vehicle crime still during the festive season. PC Whittaker is joining the team, another police officer for the Ward is due to start this week.  PC Dave Cave wished to thank the Parish Council for their support throughout the year and wished all a Merry Christmas.
24/104	<u>Public Session</u>  Request to bring Santa back to New Waltham – for the whole community Xmas eve.

24/105	<p><u>Future Dates:</u></p> <p>Next Parish Council Meeting: Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024</p>
24/106	<p><u>Planning</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>DM/0373/23/FUL – Land at Louth Road, NW</b> Council were asked to re-look at previous comments for this application. Comments to stand as previously discussed.</li> <li>2. <b>DM/0975/24/FUL – New Waltham Academy, NW</b> Agreed.</li> </ol>
24/107	<p><u>Footpaths &amp; Highways</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>E-mail from resident</b> Various points were raised via a resident re the path at the back of the Greenlands field that connects Becklands to the BMX track. This footpath is now overgrown and needing maintenance. The Parish Council were not consulted before the path was installed, and believe that this should go back to Cyden (who installed) to ask them to maintain. This could become very costly to Parish Council if having to take on management.  Chair given email for Cyden and will contact and update.</li> <li>2. <b>Any other items (for discussion only)</b>  None.</li> </ol>
24/108	<p><u>Community Pavilion &amp; Play Area</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Pavilion Play Area</b> Contractor has started and installed main part of equipment to safety standards. Due back this weekend to finish the job and install the safety matting.</li> <li>2. <b>Chair trolley for caretaker</b> Caretaker has requested a trolley to move chairs within the hall. Proposed total of £200 to spend – <b>Agree.</b></li> <li>3. <b>Outstanding pavilion items:</b>   <b>Fridge/Freezer:</b> Arrived, but the fridge has a small dent. Replacement has been ordered.  <b>Blinds:</b> Measured up and ordered.  <b>Sound System:</b> Cllr Keys has sourced ex-Odeon cinema surround sound system. </li> </ol>
24/109	<p><u>Events</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Wreath Making Workshop</b> First workshop was fantastic. Thanks to Cllr Simpson for all her hard work.</li> </ol>

	<p>2. <b>Xmas event</b> Another event planned, 50 tickets sold.</p>
24/110	<p><b>Allotments</b></p> <p>New Tenancy Agreement – <b>Agreed.</b></p>
24/111	<p><b>Parish Council Matters</b></p> <p>1. <b>Ward split changes</b> Chair explained with Cllr Shreeve – authorities have reviews and boundary commission have advised that the Parish’s will be reviewed. Ward boundaries are also being looked at. New Waltham is staying as is currently. All it could mean is that Ward Cllrs could change patches.</p> <p>2. <b>Tollbar car park</b> Cllr Dawkins updated – middle of December/January car park should be open. Awaiting barriers to be installed. Enforcement will be out and parking will not be allowed on Station Road near the School.</p> <p>3. <b>Newsletter</b> Winter edition is out now. Wigmore Park still left to deliver.</p> <p>4. <b>Grounds maintenance contract</b> Private contractor / Chair did site visit and willing to take on Priors/War/Enfield – <b>Agreed.</b></p> <p>5. <b>CCTV</b> No update.</p> <p>6. <b>Priors Green</b> As above.</p> <p>7. <b>Village Planters</b> Table to January.</p> <p>8. <b>Football pitches</b> No further update.</p>
24/112	<p><b>Finance</b></p> <p>1. To receive Clerks Report/ update on finances (bank reconciliation) – <b>Approved.</b></p> <p>2. To agree the 2025/6 Budget proposal – <b>Approved.</b></p> <p>3. To agree 2025/6 Precept - Table to January.</p>

	<p><b>4. Payments for month: Approved.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biffa = £287.35 (bin services @ pavilion) Power: LGA 1972 s.133</li> <li>• TEC Partnerships (College) = £1,685.00 (Newsletter printing) Power: LGA 1972 s.142 (1a)</li> <li>• John Lewis = £843.00 (Fridge/Freezer/Kettle for Pavilion) Power: LGA 1892 s.8 (1)i / LG(MP)A 1976 s.19</li> </ul>
24/113	<p><b><u>Exclusion of Press and Public</u></b></p> <p>To consider exemption of press and public under Public Bodies Admissions to Meetings Act 1960, Section 1 (2) on the grounds that discussion of the following business is likely to disclose confidential information.</p>
24/114	<p><b><u>Payroll</u></b></p> <p>Salaries agreed as true reflection according to employment contracts – <b>Agreed.</b></p>
<p><b>Meeting Ended at: 21:00</b></p> <p>Signed..... Date.....</p>	