

Minutes of the virtual (Zoom) meeting of Worth Parish Council held on Monday 18 January 2021 at 7.30pm.

PRESENT (via Zoom): Cllrs Kennett, (Chair), Heard, Clarke (telephone), Atkinson, and Kevin Lynch,
Locum Parish Clerk: One member of the Public

		Action
1. To receive apologies	Cllrs Parnell and Whittaker	
2. To receive Declarations of Interest to matters included on the agenda	None.	
3. To resolve that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 02 December 2020 are a correct record	Proposed: Cllr Heard, Seconded: Cllr Atkinson Agreed: All	
4. Election of a Vice-Chair	Members agreed to defer this matter until the next meeting.	
5. Public Participation	Mr Austin asked about the car parking opposite the Village Hall. The Chair responded that this was ongoing and but that the matter would be on the next agenda for formal consideration on the way forward (pandemic permitting)	KL
6. Matters Arising	None	
7. Standing Orders	Members resolved to adopt the new Worth Parish Council Standing Orders and new Financial Standing Orders. Proposed: Cllr Heard, Seconded Cllr Clarke Agreed: All.	KL
8. Repairs to Worth Cricket Club Pavilion	Council agreed that the Clerk and the Chair should look at obtaining three complete quotes for the repairs. In tandem Council agreed that the Clerk should look at the three quotes policy.	SK KL
9. The Pond	Council agreed:- (i) that they would pursue with all stakeholders all means in order to fix the potential flooding problem and the Clerk to monitor and chase up if necessary. (ii) that they would investigate potential damage to the pond lining and, if necessary, take appropriate action for repair and seek recompense for damage not of their making	KL KL
10. Public Spaces	Members agreed that the Clerk and the Chair should seek three quotes for the damaged fencing on the side of the King George V park. Members agreed that the Chair and Clerk look for quotes (if necessary) for removing, pollarding downed and damaged trees.	KL/SK KL/SK
11. Local Plan	Council agreed that they should, when the Consultation goes live on 20 January, make a major effort to ensure that Worth	KL

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	Parish residents are aware of the impacts on Worth and, where possible, report concerns or support back to DDC by the end of the consultation.	
12. Website and Banking	Members noted some problems with banking and agreed that Cllr Heard should meet with NatWest to discuss and try to find a way to move forward. Members noted the short report from the Clerk that the website was close to “going live” within 14 days.	MH KL
13. Third Quarter Budget	Council noted the third quarter budget.	
14. Finance	Council resolved to agree the WPC December payments. Cllr Kennet to process payments and send payments sheet to The Clerk. Proposed: Cllr Heard, Seconded Cllr Atkinson Agreed: All	SK
15. Staffing	Council explained that this item was to be discussed in closed session. Council resolved, because of the nature of personnel data involved, to go into closed session. All agreed. Item 15 is recorded in separate confidential Minute.	KL
16. Date of next Meeting (via Zoom)	Wednesday 03 February 2021 at 7.30pm. Clerk to send out agenda and Zoom instructions.	KL
	The Meeting Closed at 8.40pm	