

# **Wexham Court Parish Council (WCPC)**

**Minutes of Special Meeting of Full Council  
held at the Parish Hall, Norway Drive on  
Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2020, at 7.30 pm.**

Name	Present	Not Present
Cllr I. Ahmed (Chairman)	Y	
Cllr Z. Ahmed (Vice-Chairman)	Y	
Cllr. G. Hussain	Y	
Cllr. K. Wright	Y	
Cllr. S. Hussain		N

Members of the Public in attendance: 12

- 1. Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. S. Hussain**
- 2. Election of Vice Chairman of the Council.** It was proposed by Cllr I. Ahmed and seconded by Cllr G. Hussain that Cllr Z. Ahmed be appointed for this position, there being no further nominations therefore, it was unanimously resolved that Cllr Zaki Ahmed is elected Vice Chairman of WCPC.

The following voted in favour:

Cllr. I. Ahmed  
Cllr. G. Hussain  
Cllr. K. Wright


No one voted against

No abstention.

- 3. Declaration of interest**  
None declared

- 4. To suspend standing orders**

The Council unanimously resolved that it will not suspend standing orders and if any resolutions conflict with standing orders, the resolutions approved by the council shall prevail.

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5. **The Minutes of the last meeting**, Part II, dated 14th January 2020. It was proposed by Cllr. I. Ahmed and seconded by Cllr. Z. Ahmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting subject to the following amendment;

In Section 5. Public Questions should read:

*"An interesting point raised by a member of the council that Council Houses are normally not allocated to the residents of Slough. The member wanted to know how SBC can justify an allocation of a house allegedly to a person lived in Slough for some time. Reference also made to minimum requirements of right to buy scheme."*

6. **Matter arising**

There were no matters arising

7. **Chairman's report/councillors resignation/update on claim made by SBC -V- WCPC**

The Chairman reported that six Councillors have submitted their resignations. The following Councillors have resigned with immediate effect.


M. Hamilton  
R. Aldridge  
P. Aldridge  
M. Pariss  
O. Paris  
L McDonald

- a) The Chairman reported that he has accepted resignations from six former Councillors.
- b) The Chairman reported that a defence has been filed in the high court against Slough Borough Council's compensation claim on the land located north of Norway Drive. This defense has been filed in accordance with the legal advice sought from Owen White Solicitors.

The WCPC noted the report.

8. **Public questions/Police Liaison/update on local policing**

- i. A member of public would like to know when Parish would be able to distribute Parish Council's Newsletter.
- ii. A concerned resident had reported that the speeding is a known problem on Norway Drive. The drivers speeding at around 70MPH has been reported in previous Parish Council meetings. The resident reported that the problem is still ongoing causing potential danger to the pedestrians including children crossing the road.
- iii. A member of the public requested that police car to patrol the street during busy school hours. The resident claimed that this patrol managed to deter the driver, who are parking their cars on the zig-zag lines close to the school.

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- iv. A resident wanted to know how Parish Council can claim precept from the residents without a clerk and RFO working for the Parish Council.

**9. Police Liaison by Sergeant. Cerrig Shardlow, who reported the following;**

- i. A burglary incident reported close to where Cllr. Z. Ahmed lives. The Councillor wanted to know if Police could increase patrols and catch the culprits.
- ii. The police advised the residents to register for TVP Alerts, so they can receive updates on incidents in their areas.
- iii. Former Parish Councillor publically stated that the former RFO of the council had told her in November 2019, that the booking clerk (who is no longer an employee of WCPC) allegedly stole money from the Parish Council. The Chairman said that these allegations have come to light now and will be referred to the appropriate authority to investigate in due course.

**10. To agree and resolve the amount of precept to be charged for the year 2020/2021**

- i. The Chairman reported that there was no precept paid by Slough Borough Council since the elections in May 2019.
- ii. The Chairman reported that he has a scheduled meeting with Slough Borough Council to request the precept-funds from the council.
- iii. The Chairman also reported that he is proposing to lower the precept to £25 per household for a band D properties in the Parish Area. This amounts to almost 50% reduction from the previous precept paid by residents in the financial year 2018/2019. This reduced sum will be a best value for their hard-earned money and Parish Council is committed to discharge their duties with no impact on quality of the services.
- iv. It was proposed by Cllr. I. Ahmed that proposed precept of twenty five pounds (£25) per household for a band D properties within the Wexham Court Parish area as stated above is approved, the same was seconded by Cllr. Z. Ahmed and unanimously resolved.

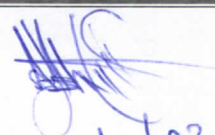
**11. Removal of the existing signatories from the Wexham Court Parish Councils bank account with Nat West**

It was proposed by Cllr. I. Ahmed and seconded by Cllr Z. Ahmed

That the following former members of the council be removed as bank signatories as soon as possible from the Wexham Court Parish Councils bank account with NatWest;

- i. Mark Hamilton
- ii. Robert Aldridge

It was unanimously resolved that the WCPC take necessary steps to remove these signatories.

  
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**12. Approval of new signatories on the bank account of Wexham Court Parish Council with NatWest.**

It was proposed by Cllr I. Ahmed and seconded by Cllr Z. Ahmed that;

- i. That the below mentioned new signatories be appointed and are authorised to operate the bank account of Wexham Court Parish Council with NatWest with immediate effect. Any two signatories out of four may sign the cheques for and on behalf of Wexham Court Parish Council.
  - a) Cllr. Iftakhar Ahmed
  - b) Cllr. Zaki Ahmed
  - c) Cllr. Kenneth Wright
  - d) Cllr. Ghalib Hussain

It was unanimously resolved that the WCPC take necessary steps to add the above four signatories.

**13. Payment list to be approved and cheques issued**

Payment list was absent from the meeting and therefore not approved

**14. To consider a resolution to withdraw from the Local Government Pension scheme**

It was proposed by Cllr Wright and seconded by Cllr G. Hussain and It was unanimously resolved to remain in the Local Government Pension scheme.

**15. To upgrade the WCPC website and to approve a volunteer to assist the council in this regard.**

The Chairman reported that the current monthly charges are considerably high, and a company based in Ireland offered to provide website support including hosting. The website hasn't been updated for quite some time and therefore, the Parish Council decided to upgrade the website. The upgrade includes the change of domain to '. gov.uk'.

It was proposed by Cllr. I. Ahmed and seconded by Cllr Z. AHMED that;

- i. To upgrade the WCPC website and to approve a volunteer Mr Mabu to assist the council in this regard if needed.
- ii. It was unanimously resolved that the WCPC to appoint Mr Mabu as a volunteer to assist the council as and when required.

Signed..... Dated 10/03/2020

Designation Chairman Print name IFTAKHAR AHMED