

Minutes of the Meeting of Caldecott Parish Council held on Thursday 12th September 2024 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

Present 2024/52 Cllrs MacDermott (Chair), Hook and Parker, Mrs Medwell (Clerk), County Cllr Andrew Brown and 1 member of the public.

Apologies 2024/53 Cllrs McCole and Kendrick - approved.

Declarations 2024/54 There were no Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda nor any changes to the Members' Register of Interests.

Minutes 2024/55 The minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on 9th May 2024 were approved as a true record of the meeting and duly signed by the Chair.

Proposed Cllr MacDermott Seconded Cllr Hook

The Council was unable to approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11th July 2024. These will be deferred to the next meeting.

Matters Arising 2024/56 Cllr Parker advised that a leaflet detailing the parish council vacancy had been delivered to every household in the village.

2024/57 Open Forum The Council was informed that the Caldecott sign on the southern gateway was partially obscured by overgrown vegetation from the adjacent field. The Clerk will contact the landowner to request that this is cut back

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Highways and Rights of Way 2024/58 Cllr MacDermott informed the Council that he had followed up with Alicia Kearns MP regarding her correspondence with the Leader and CEO of the RCC on their intention to review the Highways issues in Caldecott. A response from the MP is awaited. County Councillor Brown will follow up on this too. Cllr Hook advised that overhead cables had been recently damaged by high sided vehicles travelling through the village.

The Council **agreed** to draft a letter to Uppingham Town Council to gauge its support in pressing the County Council to encourage HGVs to travel along the A43 rather than the A6003. The Council also **agreed** to look at the draft Local Plan, to highlight any transport elements and encourage residents to respond if relevant.

JM/AP

Cllr Parker raised the problem of commercial fly posting around the village. The Council will write to the offending companies requesting that they remove these unauthorised signs. Cllr Parker will circulate a post on social media encouraging residents to take these down as they come upon them.

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Parish Assets 2024/59 **Routine Inspection**
Cllr MacDermott advised that the playpark assets were in good order. He has asked the mowing contractor to trim the overgrown vegetation /grass close to the pinfold wall so that the wall can be accessed to cut back the vegetation growing through it.

Dog Mess Bin – The Green

The Council noted that Biffa had ceased to empty the red dog mess bin on The Green. This has now been sealed up. A quote of £604 had been received from RCC to supply and install

Correspondence There was no further correspondence to discuss.
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County Cllr Brown updated the Council on RCC matters. He referred to the sad and untimely death of one of the RCC councillors, the lack of 5-year housing supply and the new Local Plan which will be submitted in February 2025.

Business and To commence budget setting process.
Date of Next

Meeting The next meeting of Caldecott Parish Council will be held on Thursday 14th November 2024
2024/63 in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.48 pm.

Signed..... Dated.....