

WENHASTON WITH MELLS HAMLET PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 16/11/22 at 7.30pm. in the Village Hall.

Present; Cllr. P Wildish (Chair), Cllr. J Townsend, Cllr. H Phillips, Cllr. S Mann, Cllr. K Canham, Cllr. C Way, County Cllr. R Smith, District Cllr. T Goldson, Clerk Richard Day and 1 Parishioner.

1. Chair welcomed all to meeting. Apologies received and accepted from Councillors Stammers, Welby, Watson, Leech and Musk.
2. There were no declarations of interest.
3. There were no requests for dispensation to vote.
4. Minutes to the meeting held on 19/10/22 were proposed for acceptance by Cllr. Mann seconded by Cllr. Townsend and agreed unanimously.
5. CLERK REPORT: Another act of petty vandalism has been reported. Damage at sports area has occurred and repairs were carried out by Chair earlier this week.

I have received a request from SARS for a donation to support the work they undertake. Supporting information has been forwarded prior to meeting.
UNANIMOUS APPROVAL FOR A DONATION OF £100.00. (Clerk to arrange)

Acknowledgement from Planning Enforcement confirming investigation of the recent case referred to them has been received,

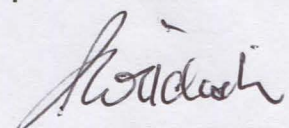
I have obtained an update from the restorers of the telephone kiosk and completion is estimated to be February of next year, slightly earlier than originally anticipated, I would recommend that the interior specification/design/layout is now finalised. I will advise the restorer that Cllr Way will contact them regarding the interior design aspects which she has specific ideas and separate quotations for.

Following members review of the scope of the internal control procedures the summary document will be presented at the December meeting.

I have completed the necessary requirements in order for the Parish Council to meet its obligations under the workplace pensions regulator and a confirmatory letter is held to this effect.

I understand that SCC Highways Dept. have approved the proposed changes to the entry to the Village Hall Car Park.

I received an email today which states that WALGA has been wound up. I will refer to the terms of the rental agreement and try to ascertain what the future plan is for the allotment holders. In any event annual rent is due on 15th March 2023 under the current agreement which of course has now lapsed. As the


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tenancy agreement was with WALGA with a 12 month notice period required to vacate and given that WALGA have decided not to continue, it would seem that effectively there is no tenant as the plot holders were under the auspices of WALGA.

6. There were no matters arising from previous minutes.
7. A copy of the report from County Cllr Smith is available from Clerk.
8. A copy of the report from District Cllr Goldson is available from Clerk.
9. Items carried forward from previous meeting. (i) Review of cost and feasibility of providing lighting at sports area car park primarily for school staff. Decision deferred pending receipt of further information.
10. Following a full review and discussion of a draft budget prepared for 2023/24 Cllr Phillips proposed adoption of an increase in spending to £26970 which represents an increased budget of 11.4%. This takes account of all known cost increases and an estimate of those not quantified/confirmed. Cllr. Canham seconded and all voted in agreement. Clerk will provide copies to members prior to next meeting when the precept request will be determined.
11. PLANNING. (i) DC/22/3840/FUL. Construction of single storey dwelling at Old Hall Farm, Wenhaston. The decision to support was unanimously ratified by members. (ii) No further correspondence.
12. Cllr. Wildish provided a full update on progress and future intentions for the emergency planning arrangements for the village. Cllr. Canham provided a report following the recent VHMC meeting.
13. (i) No further correspondence.

14. RFO REPORT:

Updated NALC salary scales have been circulated prior to meeting for adoption and implementation by members.

Remittance in respect of CIL monies credited has been received, these total £6117.05. It is recommended that a full review of CIL monies held and already allocated is undertaken at the next meeting as part of the precept determination. I will provide supporting information. Agenda item December,

Balance held at Bank prior to issue of cheques totalling £3710.57 is £64175.12. The monthly bank reconciliation has been completed and is available for member audit. RFO REPORT PROPOSED FOR ACCEPTANCE BY CLLR. WILDISH, SECONDED BY CLLR. MANN AND UNANIMOUSLY AGREED.

15. Meeting closed 8.40pm. Date of next meeting 21/12/22

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