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WENHASTON WITH MELLS HAMLET PARISH COUNCIL.

Clerk Mrs M Pennock

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Minutes of the Meeting held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 18th January, 2012.

Present:- Cllr. L. Spindler Chair, Cllr. D. Corbett Vice Chair, Cllr. J. Wright, Cllr. H. Phillips, Cllr. A. Edwards, Cllr. J. Tate, Cllr. M Gasper, Cllr. A. Spindler, Cllr. D. Wilkinson, Cllr. R. Dillaway, County Cllr. R. Leighton, District Cllr. M. Gower, 1 Parishioner and Clerk Mrs M Pennock.

1. The Chair Cllr. L. Spindler welcomed the Councillors, County Cllr. R. Leighton, District Cllr. M. Gower and Parishioner to the meeting. Apologies received from Cllr. A. Alder.
2. Proposed by Cllr. D. Corbett and seconded by Cllr. H. Phillips that the Parish Council allow Jill Daines to speak to the Parish Council about the Good Village Guide,
Jill Daines stated that the Community Council used to give the guide to all new comers to the village. The booklet contained information regarding the history of the Village as well as information on groups and clubs. Since the demise of the Community Council this booklet is only available on line.
Jill asked if the Parish Council would consider resurrecting the booklet, and perhaps at a later date introduce a welcome pack as well.
The Chair thanked Jill Daines who then left the meeting.
Cllr. D. Wilkinson suggested that perhaps Adnams might sponsor the booklet, and to ask Jill Daines to get a quote from Blyth Web (who hold the copy write) for printing 500 so that all residents may get an up to date copy.
3. There was no declaration of Interest.
4. County Cllr. R. Leighton informed the Council that the County Council was finalising the budget. This will have some effect on some services. The Police budget is much more difficult to set. 80% of the budget goes



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on salaries so there is little scope to save money other than reduction of staff. No PC or PCSO but a number of Sergeants who are near retiring age are being retired early.

5. District Cllr. M. Gower said that SCDC was also finalising the budget.

Car parking charges would be going up.

A joint meeting between Waveney District and Suffolk Coastal was held in Wenhaston Village hall and it was announced that the planning departments are to be amalgamated. This will save money.

6. Proposed by Cllr. R. Dillaway and seconded by Cllr. A. Edwards that the Minutes of the meeting held on 21st December, 2011 be accepted. All agreed.

7. Clerks report.

I have been informed from the Education Dept., that they are looking into the request from the Parish Council for financial help towards the repair of the drive way leading to the playing field.

I have written a thank you letter to Mr Mark Woolnough for cutting the path that now joins up with Star Lane Footpath.

A letter has been given to Mr & Mrs Dale Stammers giving the Parish Councils support for their new planning application.

The allotment group would like to thank the Parish Council for giving permission for the branches to be cut that are over hanging the shed, but will put this on hold till finances allow.

I have sent a copy of the conveyance and planning permission to the Bishops office at Ipswich requesting that a date be set for the Consecration of the extension of Cemetery.

Matters arising from the report.

Agenda Item for February, to discuss improvements to the footpath leading to Star Lane footpath.

8. Matters arising from the Minutes.

Cllr. M. Gasper reported that over a period of time e mails have been sent to John Goldsmith regarding the board to go up at New Farm Development giving information on Wenhaston Commons.

There seems to be a lack of urgency in producing the board.

9. Proposed by Cllr. D. Corbett and seconded by Cllr. R. Dillaway that Mr Richard Day be appointed the new Parish Clerk. All agreed.



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10.A request from a Parishioner that a doggy bin be put on the Common opposite Oakrise, Blackheath Road. The Parishioners has offered to pay.

The Clerk to inform the Parishioner of the cost of the bin, and the installation cost.

11.Proposed by Cllr. D. Corbett and seconded by Cllr. R. Dillaway that the Parish Council purchase a salt/grit bin for Blackheath Road/Star Hill.

All agreed.

12.Risk Assessment.

It was proposed by Cllr. R. Dillaway and seconded by Cllr. D. Wilkinson that the Parish Council have a ROSPA report, as well as Suffolk Coastal Services, inspection report for the play equipment in the children's play area.

All agreed.

13.Cllr. R. Dillaway as the Parish Council representative to the Village Hall Committee informed the Council that there has been a review of the affiliated fees and that the finances have improved. The Committee will support the Queens Jubilee event in June. A sub committee has been formed to review the Constitution

The Chairman and Treasurer will not be seeking re election at the AGM. Cllr. A. Spindler wanted it in the Minutes that he thought the picture of Mr De Segundo and other historic information previously on display in the main hall now in the Committee room should be returned to the main hall.


14.Planning Matters.

C11/2729. Well Green Cottage, Blackheath Road.

Erection of log cabin/summer house. Proposed by Cllr. D. Wilkinson. and seconded by Cllr. J. Wright that the Parish Council supports this planning application. All agreed.

15.No correspondence.

16.Correspondence for circulation.



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1. Clerks & Councils Direct.
2. Waveney District Council. Halesworth Broadway Farm Development.
3. ESTA Members Bulletin.
4. NALC – Wanted planning champions
5. SCC – Broadband Residential Survey.

17. Finance.

Balance as at 18th January, 2012.

Current account	£1,124.67
Base rate tracker	£18,824.89

Total	£19,949.56
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Cheques drawn:-

101527 Wenhaston Village Hall	£35.00	Affiliation fees.
101528 Mrs M Pennock	£389.83	Wages and expenses.


Proposed by Cllr. J. Wright and seconded by Cllr. A. Spindler that the accounts be accepted. All agreed.

18. Proposed by Cllr. R. Dillaway and seconded by Cllr. D. Wilkinson that the ¾ years figures against precept be accepted. All agreed.

19. Any other matters that the Chair will allow.

Cllr. M. Gasper suggested that Mr John Davis should come to the Parish Council meeting in the near future and give information regarding the Stewardship scheme and what the outcome would be if the localism bill then allowed SCDC to pass the responsibility of managing Blackheath and Church common on to the Parish Council. Cllr. A. Edwards informed the Parish Council that a meeting is taking place at Halesworth Middle School on Saturday 21st January to give details of the proposed sports development at the middle school.

19. Meeting closed at 9.05p.m. Date of the next meeting 15th February, 2012.



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