

WENHASTON WITH MELLS HAMLET PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk Richard Day

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Minutes of the meeting held in Village Hall on Wednesday 18th April, 2012.

Present: - Cllr. L. Spindler Chair, Cllr. D. Corbett Vice Chair, Cllr. A. Alder, Cllr. J. Wright, Cllr. H. Phillips, Cllr. A. Edwards, Cllr. M. Gasper, Cllr. D. Wilkinson, Cllr. R. Dillaway, District Cllr. M. Gower, 3 Parishioners, Clerk. Mr. R. Day.

1. The Chair Cllr. L. Spindler welcomed the Councillors, District. Cllr. M. Gower and parishioners to the meetings. Apologies received from Cllr. A. Spindler and Cllr. J. Tate.
2. There were no declarations of interest.
3. There was no report from County Cllr. R. Leighton.
4. District Cllr. M. Gower provided an outline report on developments around communication of emergency procedures at Sizewell. There is ongoing dialogue with EDF Energy as it is felt that improvement is required, further updates to be provided.
5. The minutes to the meeting 21.03.2012 were agreed and signed following proposal by Cllr. D. Corbett, seconded by Cllr. A. Edwards. All councillors were in agreements.
6. Clerk's report
 - (i) Responses provided pre meeting of the enquiry to Peter Ross regarding Star Hill Path. Cllr. R. Dillaway proposed that any action was deferred for 12 months pending any possible developments with Management of Wenhaston Commons. This was seconded by Cllr. D. Corbett. All in agreement.
 - (ii) Finding presented regarding the possibility of posting draft minutes of Parish Council meetings to avoid delay in parish being aware. It was felt that situation would improve if proposed initiative with newsletter was successful and this would be the best solution.
 - (iii) Confirmation of guidance from SALC r.e levels of reserve provided. Basically this can be at a level, usually between 25% and 100% of precept but based on particular circumstances of Parish Council.
 - (iv) Confirmation provided that letters sent to Wenhaston Village Hall Committee, Dr. Wilson Harvey and Trevor Tate under Chair's signature as per previous meeting minutes.

There were no matters arising from the Clerk's report.


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7. Cllr. A. Alder advised that playbus funding was available to provide a limited number of free sessions and that provisional dates, hopefully for early May, would be obtained for Wenhaston Village. Details of future costs will be obtained and Cllr. A. Alder will report back. Agenda item to be carried forward.
8. (i) See agenda item 9
 (ii) Written quote now received r.e installation costs of seat in Blackheath (this is in line with verbal quote and therefore agreement already approved to meet cost has already been given). A new quote is awaited from Chip and Tree r.e village sign for installation only as an offer of donation of a new post has been received. Carry forward to May agenda.
 (iii) Covered in Clerk's report.
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 (v) Covered in Clerk's report.
9. Proposed by Cllr. R. Dillaway and seconded by Cllr. D. Corbett that cost of Parish Council website is funded. All voted in favour and initial cost estimate is £5.99 per month plus VAT.
 Cllr. D. Wilkinson provided a further update possible alternatives to the Wenhaston Word including provisional print costs and projected advertising income for a Parish magazine.
 Cllr. R. Dillaway proposed that the Parish Council underwrites the costs for 3 months in an attempt to provide this for the Parish. Cllr. A. Alder seconded the proposal and all were in favour.
- Action Clerk to investigate and report back at next meeting regarding any implications for advertising in a village magazine run by Parish Council. In the interim the publication will contain information only. Cllrs. D. Wilkinson, D. Corbett and A. Alder have agreed to form a steering committee to facilitate progress.
10. Full discussion took place on the various complex options available regarding possible future management of Wenhaston Commons. A further meeting is to be undertaken involving representatives of Parish Council, SCDC, Wenhaston Commons Committee and Suffolk Wildlife trust. The item is to be carried forward to May agenda. It was felt that the potential risks of management by the Parish Council required further investigation and clarification.
11. Proposed by Cllr. R. Dillaway and seconded by Cllr. J. Wright that no further action was taken this year. All voted in favour.
12. Planning application C12/0195 in respect of installation of single small scale wind turbine on land north of Lavender House, Hall Road, Wenhaston has been approved by SCDC subject to conditions.


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Cllr. R. Dillaway proposed the Parish Council supported planning application C/12/0458. This was seconded by Cllr. A. Edwards and all were in favour (re land adjacent to Braeside, Blyford Lane, Wenhaston.) As a general issue concern was expressed by Cllr. D. Corbett on the lack of access to planning information for the general public as a result of changes to the applications process.

13. Invoice received from Blythweb Ltd r.e Parish Council information page. Proposed by Cllr. D. Wilkinson and seconded by Cllr. A. Alder that this is paid for 2012/2013 £72.00.
14. The following items of correspondence were circulated to Councillors;
- Planning permission r.e application C/12/0195.
 - National Planning policy framework April 2012 LA 151327-1.
 - Traveller sites LA15 1327-2.
 - Details of SALC ½ day training course regarding supporting young people into the community.
15. The Clerk presented the Parish Council with accounts for the year. Proposed by Cllr. H. Phillips and seconded by Cllr. D. Wilkinson that the Chairman signs the accounts and that they are accepted.

Balances as at 31/03/2012

Current Account	£1,095.05
Base Rate Turnover	£15,827.24
Total	£16,922.29

Cheques Issued	101542	Halesworth Volunteer Centre	£50.00
	101543	Wenhaston Village Hall Committee	£64.00
	101544	Richard Day Salary and Expenses	£387.30
	101545	SALC	£287.00
	101546	Wenhaston Good Neighbour Service	£111.30
	101547	AW&D Hammond	£10.00
	101548	Steve Stricker	£85.00
	101549	Mary Pennock (Expenses)	£105.71
	101550	Wenhaston Handy Man Services	£25.50
	101551	D.J. Coby	£192.00

16. Preparations Finalised after discussion re Annual Parish meeting.
17. Clerk to prepare letter of thanks to Mrs. M. Pennock on behalf of Parish Council to be sent by Chair, proposed by Cllr. A. Alder seconded by Cllr. R. Dillaway. All voted in favour.
- Clerk to forward letter of thanks to Blythweb proposed by Cllr. R. Dillaway seconded by Cllr. A. Alder.
- Dog bins require emptying at Bickers Heath – Clerk to chase up.
- Bins at cemetery not being used- Cllr. D. Wilkinson will provide suitable notice and Cllr. A. Edwards will put in place.



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Foliage at the top of Coles Hill is a danger to traffic pulling out. Clerk to liase with highways re cutting down.

Request from Cllr. A. Alder for Neighbourhood Plan to be agenda item for May meeting.

18. Date of next meeting 16/05/2012 which will be elections of Chair.

Meeting closed 9:30pm


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