WENHASTON WITH MELLS HAMLET PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk Richard Day

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Minutes of the meeting held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 21st August 2013.

Present; Cllr. L. Spindler (Vice Chair deputising for Chair), Cllr. H. Phillips, Cllr. J. Tate, Cllr. A. Edwards, Cllr. Alan Spindler, Cllr. Alastair Spindler, Cllr. M. Gasper, Cllr. R. Dillaway, County Cllr. M. Gower, Clerk Richard Day. 4 Parishioners also attended the meeting.

- 1. The Chair welcomed Councillors and Parishioners. Apologies were read and accepted on behalf of Councillors Corbett, Alder and Wilkinson.
- 2. There were no declarations of interest.
- 3. There were no requests for dispensation to vote.
- 4. A brief overview was provided by County Cllr Gower.
- The minutes to the meeting dated 17th July 2013 were proposed for acceptance by Cllr. Phillips, seconded by Cllr. Edwards and unanimously approved.
- 6. Clerk's Report;
 - Further chasing Suffolk Coastal Services means that work should now commence on the Children's play area as per ROSPA Report this week.
 - Speed monitoring has taken place on The Street and Narrow Way by Suffolk Police. Results are being circulated but there does not appear to be a significant issue. The requested re painting of road markings at the road junction is being dealt with by Bob Clench SCDC. I will continue to chase.
 - I have written to a Parishioner re whereabouts of Railway Sign. Refer to Agenda item 8.
 - Letter provided to Football Club as required. Note that original agreement /term has now expired and renewal agreement reqd.
 Agenda item at September meeting.
 - Fly tipping incidence reported re Heath Rd. (Ref AD116827)
 - Grass/verge trimming requested as per last month's minutes and I have arranged for overhanging cherry tree branches to be cut back from the road near Well Green at request of Highways Dept.
 - Filing cabinets. Current position re progress outlined.
- 7. There were no other matters arising from the minutes.

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- 8. (i) Copy of Registration of Village Hall Management Committee with Charity Commission has been obtained. A joint meeting will now be convened so that representatives of both parties can agree on a document setting out roles and responsibilities based upon the Registered Document. Cllr. Dillaway to advise date/time.
 - (ii) It was proposed by CIIr. Phillips and seconded by CIIr. Edwards that the Parish Council covered the cost of repairs to the Village Hall drains in accordance with the estimate already provided by Woolnough Contractors Ltd. 2 Councillors abstained, all others voted in favour. CIIr. Dillaway to arrange for quote to be addressed and forwarded to Parish Council.
 - (iii) It was generally felt that matters had new improved following recent inspection (no further action required.)
- 9. Appn C13/0418 land opposite Red House Farm, Hazel Lane, Thorington. Parish Councillors unanimously opposed this proposal and a letter outlining reasons will be forwarded to SCDC.

Appn C13/1346 Low Farmhouse, Narrow Way, Wenhaston, Approved unanimously.

Other planning correspondence;

C12/0689 Part of Land South and East of pumping station, Blyford Lane Wenhaston (Southwold Railway Trust)

Notice of appeal has been received following refusal of Planning Permission by SCDC. It was unanimously agreed that the Parish Council would forward further comments to Planning Inspectorate by way of objection to the proposal.

- 10. Following response received within the last 2 days to the Parish Councils requested terms for a transfer a further meeting of the subcommittee will now be arranged and their recommendations put to Parish Council at the September meeting. Cllr Gasper to arrange.
- 11. Proposed by Cllr. Dillaway and seconded by Cllr. Alan. Spindler that the Parish Council proceeds to appoint solicitors to act on behalf of the Parish Council in the proposed conveyance of the allotment land from SCDC. All voted in favour. Following explanation of the options available regarding level of advise and associated cost it was unanimously agreed to proceed with an estimated cost of £250-£350 (Clerk to arrange.) Draft contract and Heads of agreement had already been circulated at previous meeting.

12. None.

13. Correspondence for Circulation.

- SSAFA Detail re Charity
- LAIS 1355/56/57
- Detail re Revised Bus Services SCC.
- Local Govt Boundary Commission.....Review of Suffolk Coastal.
- FSTA Members 'Bulletin.

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- Monthly Crime report and statistics.
- Correspondence re Traffic Narrow Way/The Street [Suffolk Police]

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RFO Report.

Cheques to be issued this month total £770.60. Funds credited amount to £75.00 { Advertising Warbler £55.00 plus donation from Parishioner to Warbler Fund £20.00]

Balances PRIOR to the above are... Current a/c £10277.19 Base Rate Tracker £15838.36 Base Rate Reward £4007.50 Total £30643.05.

Note for reference purposes the current surplus of income OVER expenditure for Wenhaston Warbler is £935.00. Current advertising costs are £140.00 per month.

The report was proposed for acceptance by Cllr. Dillaway and seconded by Cllr. Alastair Spindler. All voted in favour.

- 15.(i) It was reported that the Church Lane sign was falling off the wall (Clerk to report.)
 - (ii) It was suggested that Parish Council should try to forge closer working relationships with neighbouring Parish Councils on Planning issues were there was dual interest (carry forward to September meeting for further discussion/suggestions on how to effect this.)
 - (iii) Progress with filing cabinet amalgamation and archiving was proving to be extremely time consuming. Clerk to investigate temporary assistance and report back at next meeting.
- 16. Date of next meeting 18th September 2013.

Meeting closed at 9pm.

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Summary of cheques issued...August meeting.

D.J.Coby £163.95

Richard Day £424.65.

Mike Rawlings £37.00

Leiston Press Ltd £140.00

ESTA. £5.00

Total £770.60.

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