

# WENHASTON WITH MELLS HAMLET PARISH COUNCIL

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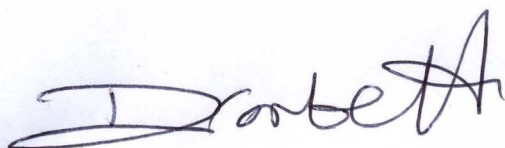
Clerk Richard Day

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Minutes of the meeting held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2015.

Present; Cllr D Corbett (Chair), Cllr. L. Spindler, Cllr. H. Phillips, Cllr. A. Edwards, Cllr. A. Musk, Cllr. D. Stammers, Cllr. J. Peters, Cllr. J. Hewett, Cllr. C. Watson, Cllr. J. Gairn, County Cllr. M. Gower, District Cllr. R. Catchpole and Richard Day Clerk. 10 Parishioners attended the meeting.

1. Chair welcomed all attendees to the meeting, Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr. Alder.
2. Declarations of non pecuniary interest were expressed by Cllr. Hewett regarding agenda items 9(i) and 13(iii) As a result Cllr. Hewett would not take part in any vote concerning these matters.
3. There was no request for dispensation to vote.
4. The minutes to the meeting of 21st October 2015 were proposed for acceptance by Cllr. Spindler, seconded by Cllr. Stammers and unanimously accepted.
5. Clerk's Report
  - Following meeting at allotments and subsequent risk assessment, work is required to trim overhanging branches and reshape trees. This is now in hand.
  - Meeting held at play area with Creative Play representative. Summary and recommendations to be provided to Councillors upon receipt.
  - Meeting attended re change to planning process. (To be covered under Planning agenda item)
  - 8 Footpath related problems reported to SCC. Acknowledgement received, now awaiting details of proposed actions.
  - Costings and future obligations outlined regarding possible purchase of speed monitoring equipment in order for Parish Council to decide on whether to proceed. ACTION ....Site meeting date to be obtained by Clerk from SCC Engineer and Parish Council representative to attend. Date to be advised.
6. None
7. A copy of Councillor Gower's report is available from the Clerk.
8. A copy of Councillor Catchpole's report is available from the Clerk.



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9. (i) Clerk informed meeting that licence for re-siting Millennium sign indicated an agreed position approx 45 metres from requested position. As a result the offer to complete the work by Southwold Railway Trust was rescinded as it was felt their integrity would be compromised by the inaccurate depiction of the previous station position. A proposal by Cllr. Edwards to employ an alternative contractor was seconded by Cllr. Corbett and unanimously approved (Cllr. Hewett took no part in the vote) Thanks were expressed by the Council for the repair and restoration work to the sign already completed by the Southwold Railway Trust (Cllr. Stammers to liaise with contractor, Clerk to forward copy of license.)

(ii) Cllrs Musk and Stammers have agreed to undertake work to remove the rocking horse from the Play Area and make good. The Parish Council will pay only for cost of materials and disposal, A request to purchase the rocking horse by the Star has been accepted and thanks were expressed to Cllr. Musk and Stammers for their offer (contractors cost of work exceeded £1600.)

10. Cllr. Hewett provided a report on local transport matters.

11. Thanks were expressed by the Parish Council for the organisation of the recent consultation/presentation of preliminary findings event held at the Village Hall.

12. No report received.

13. (i) Appn D15/2765/FUL re land off Blyford Lane - Parish Councillors voted unanimously to oppose this and a summary of reasons for objection will be forwarded by Clerk.

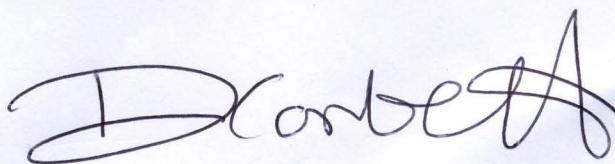
(ii) Comments agreed re SCDC site allocations and area specific development plan and these will be forwarded by Clerk.

(iii) Appeal notice re Appn C/13/0833. Part of Land South and East of Pumping Station, Blyford Lane, Wenhaston. The Councils position regarding the appeal was debated at length. Cllr. Hewett presented a case for re-consideration of the position and a long debate ensued. The proposal that opposition to the application should remain was supported by all Councillors with the exception of Cllr. Hewett, who took no part in the vote. One Councillor suggested that there could be more support for a proposal more closely replicating the route of the original railway.

(iv) Clarification was provided by Cllr. Catchpole regarding the recently introduced changes to planning application (Revised Scheme of Delegation.)

14. Correspondence read at meeting

- Letter from Wenhaston Commons Group highlighting dog fouling issues.(Forwarded to Cllrs pre meeting) ACTION .....Cllr Gairn to represent PC at meeting proposed by WCG.

  
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- Letter from Parishioner concerning Planning appeal ref C 13/0833. (This was read during Planning section on agenda and forwarded pre meeting to all Councillors)
- Letter from Parishioner requesting Parish Council reconsiders opposition to the SRT Planning Appn. (This was read during planning section of agenda.)

**15. Correspondence circulated post meeting**

- Clerks and Councils direct Nov issue
- Letter from Headway Suffolk requesting support .
- LAIS1383
- SCDC New scheme of delegation for deciding planning applications. (Also circulated electronically pre meeting)

**16. RFO Report**

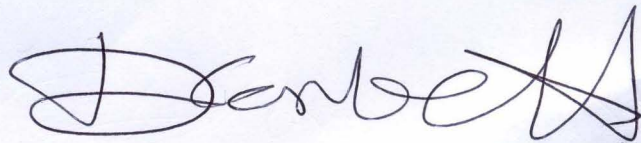
Balances of accounts prior to issue of cheques this month. . C/A  
£17,957.03          D/A £19,937.12

Total £37,894.15. Funds received during month , Wenhaston Warbler  
£60.00 Donation from Wenhaston W/I £875.00 and £1438.00 RPA .  
Cheques for this month total £2,923.92.

Cllr. Hewett proposed acceptance of report, this was seconded by Cllr. Phillips. All voted in favour.

17. (i) An open meeting will be convened before next PCM to move matters forward regarding refurbishment of Play Area.  
(ii) Feedback from the recent Neighbourhood Planning consultation suggests that many Parishioners would prefer Post Office opening hours to be extended. A letter supporting this view will be send by Parish Council to Post Office Administration team.

Meeting closed at 9:25pm.

  
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