

WENHASTON WITH MELLS HAMLET PARISH COUNCIL

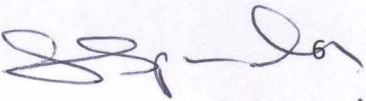
Clerk Richard Day

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on Wednesday
20th July.

Present; Cllr. D. Corbett (Chair), Cllr. H Phillips, Cllr. A. Musk, Cllr. J. Gairn,
Cllr. C. Watson, Cllr. A. Edwards, Cllr. J. Hewett, Cllr. L. Spindler, Cllr. A. Alder,
County Cllr. M. Gower, Richard Day (Clerk) and Kevin Canham.

1. Chair welcomed all to meeting. Apologies received and accepted from Cllr. Stammers and District Cllr. Catchpole.
2. There were no declarations of interest.
3. There were no requests for dispensation to vote.
4. The minutes to the meeting of 15/06/2016 were proposed for acceptance by Cllr. Hewett, seconded by Cllr. Gairn and unanimously agreed.
5. Kevin Canham signed declaration of acceptance of role as Parish Councillor and was welcomed to the Council by the Chair.
6. Clerk's Report
 - SCDC Highways have been made aware of concerns regarding the fencing /barrier erected adjacent to roadway at Blyford Lane. Update provided.
 - A conditional offer of grant monies has been received totalling £9149 towards Play area project and £500 received from the both the Adnams charity and Dist. Cllr Catchpole's budget. A summary of the current position was provided and there are still responses awaited regarding possible grant monies. Matters should be much clearer by next meeting but significant progress has been made with fundraising and we should be in a position to place the contract with the preferred supplier very soon.
 - All other matters are covered within agenda.
7. None.
8. A copy of the report is available from the Clerk.
9. Cllr. Catchpole had forwarded a report prior to the meeting, this had been distributed and a copy is available from the Clerk.
10. (i) Cllr. Alder circulated proposals for consideration by Councillors regarding quiet lanes project. To be carried forward to August meeting for decision.
(ii) Costings are required before a further notice board for the village is considered. The matter can return to agenda when this is available.
11. No report.
12. A short update was provided regarding progress of Neighbourhood Plan, Further funding application has been made to cover costs of consultation/recommendation to village which will occur during


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Autumn.

13. (i) DC/16/2791/FUL (replacement of 6 touring caravan places with 6 fixed glamping pods to match house on existing site) This was supported by a majority of 9 to 1.

(ii) Parish Council had been asked for comment prior to Planning Appn for a proposal to site a base station at Church Farm to improve mobile phone reception. It was unanimously agreed to support in principle with the proviso that clear benefit to the Village would be evident within the planning submission and that any potential disadvantages were also covered. Clerk to respond/reply.

14. Correspondence read at meeting

- Further email re alleged rabbit problems from Blackheath. Circulated pre meeting and still awaiting legal advice. Matter has again been chased for response. Acknowledgement provided.

15. Correspondence circulated post meeting

- Clerks and Councils Direct July issue.
- ESTA Summer Newsletter and request for additional voluntary contribution.
- SCDC. Prevent (Raising awareness information)

16. RFO Report

Balances of accounts prior to issue of cheques are £24,367.94 c/a £18001.85 d/a £2800.61 and Play area fund (Total £42,658.82) Bank reconciliation to ledger is provided for verification and countersignature..COMPLETED BY CLLR ALDER

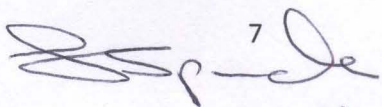
A grant of £500 from District Cllr Catchpole's budget has been received and will be transferred to the Play area fund together with £500.00 from Adnams Other funds received this month were in respect of Cemetery fees of £450. Cheques for approval this month total £1519.43

A summary of expenditure to Qtr1 Budget is provided. There are no matters of concern and the only items outside pro rata budget figures relate to seasonal expenditure. Bank balances are higher than normally seen but significant expenditure is anticipated during the remainder of the fiscal year. Cllr Edwards proposed acceptance of report, Cllr Phillips seconded and all voted in favour.

17. (i) Following discussion it was agreed that Highways Dept were contacted regarding various matters of neglect within the Village and surround. Namely obscured road signs, overgrown banks and hedges, invisible road markings and narrowing of roadways (Wenhaston Lane) due to collapse of banks. Clerk to forward summary to Cllr. James Finch.

18. (ii) Cllr. Spindler will tidy up the bus shelter at bottom of Star Hill which has become overgrown.

Meeting closed at 8:30pm. Next meeting 17th August 2016.


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