

WENHASTON WITH MELLS HAMLET PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 20th June 2018.

Present; Cllr. D Corbett (Chair), Cllr. L Spindler (Deputy chair), Cllr. H Phillips, Cllr. A Musk, Cllr. N Amery, Cllr. A Edwards, Cllr. D Cox, Cllr. A Alder, Cllr. D Stammers, Cllr. K Canham, Cllr. J Gairn, Richard Day Clerk to Council and 2 parishioners.

1. Chair welcomed all to meeting. Apologies were received and accepted on behalf of County Cllr. Smith and District Cllr. Catchpole.
2. There were no declarations of interest.
3. There were no requests of dispensation to vote.
4. The minutes of the meeting held on 16th May 2018 were proposed for acceptance and signature as an accurate record by Cllr. Corbett seconded by Cllr. Spindler. Cllr. Edwards stated that she felt the minutes should record that she was not happy with the position of the new sports equipment in the previous tennis court. This was duly noted within the minutes and minutes approved.
5. CLERK REPORT:
 Cllr Smith SCC contacted on behalf of residents of Narrow Way and condition of surface of road. Site visit promised, still in dialogue but seemingly low priority. I will chase upon Cllr Smith's return from holiday. TWO PARISHIONERS HAD AGAIN EXPRESSED CONCERN DURING THE PRE MEETING CLINIC. CLERK WILL COPY THEM WITH ALL RELEVANT CORRESPONDENCE.
 Post Office lease is being finalised. Approval required for 3 year term to overcome first registration issues with land following advice from solicitor acting for Parish Council. This has been communicated to VHMC and onward to lessee.
 Tennis Club and Football Club have been extremely co operative in the management of the sports field developments. Parish Council have now taken over insurance responsibility of the previous tennis court for equipment and activities associated with the new equipment, Tennis Club have also amended their arrangements. (See later agenda item)
 Confirmation of adequate and appropriate cover held in respect of Village Hall insurance and copy document provided by VHMC and held on file.
 I have taken delivery of the 'Tommy' memorial this morning and this now awaits positioning.
6. Matters arising from the minutes – NONE
7. No report available.
8. No report available.
9. (i) Generator has been ordered. It was agreed that Cllr. Amery would take charge of fuel storage and regular basic maintenance requirements for the generator and ensure compliance with guidelines.
 (ii) Sports area is almost complete (Laminates for Street games to be erected on previous tennis court together with seating). Pending completion this section is



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closed. Clerk highlighted the requirements regarding future regular inspection and this will be pursued when work is completed. It was agreed that a formal launch was appropriate and timing will be an agenda item in July, together with arranging painting of surrounding wall.

10. Cllr. Spindler reported that the Emergency Plan had been completed and has been forwarded for sign off/approval pending adoption by Parish Council.
11. (i) DC/18/2045/FUL – Change of use of land at St Margarets Farm, Holton Road, Wenhaston. – No objection.
 (ii) DC/18/1699/FUL – Single storey rear and side extension at Uplands, Low Road, Wenhaston. – No objection.
 (iii) DC/18/1990/FUL – Single storey rear and side extension at Gorsenway, Blackheath Road, Wenhaston. – Approved subject to full consideration by authority of any relevant neighbour objections on planning issues.
 (iiii) DC/18/2213/FUL – Construction of new low retaining wall and excavation to improve parking at Hill House, The Street, Wenhaston. – No objection.
12. Following request from Parishioner the possibility of warning signs for motorists highlighting ducks on the road was debated. The proposal to install these met with no support.
13. Correspondence.
 Email from Circle 67 regarding forthcoming short play to be held on Church Common. This is an annual event and date is 29/7 at 2.30 pm.
14. None.
15. RFO REPORT.
 Cheques for approval this month total £1,824.18 and prior to issue bank balances are as follows. £47847.71 current account and £18110.92 reserves. Total £65958.63. This includes first tranche of SCDC grant monies for sports area (£29870.33) I shall apply for remaining funds as soon as work is completed and this will allow payment of invoices. It may be necessary to authorise cheques prior to next meeting depending upon timing of the above. (This is within current standing orders regulations) RFO Report proposed for acceptance by Cllr Phillips, seconded by Cllr Musk and approved unanimously.
16. AOB
 - (i) Poor condition of Telephone Box raised – Agenda item July.
 - (ii) Several boundary hedges from properties within the village are extending into the highway and presenting a traffic danger. A request will be made within Wenhaston Warbler for action to be taken where appropriate by owners and hedges trimmed back to the relevant boundary.
 - (iii) The fence at Well Green is in need of repair. – Agenda item July.
17. Meeting closed at 8.45. Next meeting 18th July 2018.



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