

WENHASTON WITH MELLS HAMLET PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 20th March 2019.

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. P Wildish, Cllr. D Stammers, Cllr. K Canham, District Cllr. Gower, Richard Day Clerk to Council and five Parishioners.

- ✓ 1. Chair welcomed all to the meeting. Apologies were received and accepted on behalf of County Cllr. Smith and Cllr. Gairn.
- ✓ 2. There were no declarations of interest.
- ✓ 3. No request for dispensation to vote.
4. The minutes of the meeting held on 20/02/19 were proposed for acceptance and signature as an accurate record by Cllr. Musk seconded by Cllr. Amery.
5. **CLERK REPORT.**
 Invasion of moles at the Cemetery. Mole control operative is in the process of attending to the problem.
 Agreed reduction in clerk's hours has been implemented by SALC payroll services. A separate employee arrangement for assistant clerk has been set up at the agreed 4 hrs per week effective from 1st April. (SCP 28 unchanged)
 The proposed work at Blyford bridge has been postponed until late 2019 on budget and environmental grounds.
6. Matters arising from the minutes NONE.
7. No report.
8. A copy of report is available from the Clerk upon request.
9. (i) Cllr. Wildish will arrange publicity and logistics for the village litter pick to be held on 14/04/19 commencing 10.30am.
 (ii) Cllr. Corbett proposed acceptance of the draft document outlining Parish Councils response to Sizewell C consultation Cllr. Wildish seconded and the response will be forwarded following support by Council members. (Two Councillors abstained from voting remainder voted in favour)
 (iii) There is little appetite from Parishioners to form a Planning Advisory Committee – however Parish Council will continue liaison with

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Phil Corbett (Neighbourhood Planning) on future relevant planning applications. (Advisory role only)

10. None.

11. Planning:

- (i) Ref: DC/19/0774/FUL – Construction of 3 bedroomed bungalow in garden of Oak Cottage, Blackheath Road, Wenhaston. Approved subject to confirmation that there will be no encroachment onto common land.
 - (ii) Ref: DC/19/0456/FUL – Replica construction of Wenhaston station building, Blyford Lane, Wenhaston. Prior to meeting a total of 35 objections to the proposal were forwarded. After debate Councillors unanimously voted to oppose the proposal and a summary of reasons for objection will be forwarded to SCDC Planning.
 - (iii) Councillor Musk proposed forwarding a letter of complaint regarding the planning committee process at SCDC. Cllr Wildish seconded and all voted in favour. A draft document was read and will be circulated for comment / amendment (if necessary) and will be forwarded upon agreement of final content.
 - (iv) DC/19/0757/FUL – Use of garage as domestic office with associated alterations to windows and doors at The Dower House, Blackheath Road, Wenhaston. - No objection.
12. Clerk provided an update on the process and relevant dates for forthcoming elections. An appointment has been made to deliver any nomination forms on behalf of candidates on 29/03/19. If anybody wishes to use this facility, forms must be with clerk as soon as possible.
13. CORRESPONDENCE READ AT MEETING. Letter from Parishioner complaining of unfair parking arrangements at playing field and preference assumed by tennis club. Clerk has responded with clarification to both parishioner and tennis club.
14. CORRESPONDENCE CIRCULATED POST MEETING. N/A
15. RFO REPORT.
Balances of accounts, prior to issue of cheques this month are C/A £19,911.44 and D/A £3,124.92 TOTAL £23,036.36. Cheques for authorisation total £1,844.78. Bank/ledger reconciliation completed and is available for member audit check. Cllr Amery undertook the audit and the report was proposed for acceptance by Cllr. Edwards seconded by Cllr Spindler and unanimously approved.
16. Planning Enforcement orders were requested as an agenda item at next meeting by Cllr. Phillips who was concerned at their effectiveness.
17. Next meeting 17th April 2019.

Meeting closed at 8.50pm

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