

WENHASTON WITH MELLS HAMLET PARISH COUNCIL

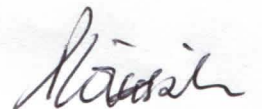
Clerk Richard Day

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Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 18th December 2019.

Present; Cllr. P Wildish (chair), Cllr. C Way (vice chair), Cllr. H Phillips, Cllr. A Musk, Cllr. D Cox, Cllr. D Stammers, Cllr. M Welby, Cllr. C Watson, County Cllr. R. Smith, District Cllr. A Cackett, District Cllr. T. Goldson and Richard Day Clerk to Council.

1. Chair welcomed all to the meeting. Apologies were received and accepted on behalf of Cllr. Canham.
2. There were no declarations of interest.
3. There were no requests for dispensation to vote.
4. The minutes of the meeting held on 20/11/2019 were proposed for acceptance and signature by Cllr. Musk seconded by Cllr. Wildish and unanimously approved.
5. CLERK REPORT.
Meeting attended at Spexhall with neighbouring Parishes within Cllr Goldson's ward. (Outcomes within budget agenda item)
New online planning system for applications and outcomes being set up. Meeting to be attended early January.
Other matters appear within agenda.
6. Matters arising from the minutes NONE.
7. A copy of the report is available from clerk.
8. A copy of the report is available from clerk setting out the various local incentives which are under discussion for possible implementation to improve social isolation and quality of life in locality.
9. Chair had earlier welcomed Cllr. Michael Welby to meeting following co-option and completion of declaration of acceptance of office.
10. Clerk presented projections of expenditure for 2020/21 and these were reviewed against ytd outcomes. A full review of possible additional expenditure against costings was undertaken and a precept request of £23K was proposed by Cllr. Stammers and seconded by Cllr. Phillips. Additional specific reserves will be set aside covering possible financial support for Community Transport (£900) and possible Section 137 expenditure within Parish (£5000). This is in addition to Legal Fees/Land Registry (£1000). Capital expenditure/ renewals (£1100). Sports/Play



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- equipment repair/renewals fund (£12000). All voted in agreement Clerk to provide summary to members for next meeting.
11. (i) Photography has now been completed with kind assistance from Jane Peters.
 - (ii) No progress on footpaths group. (Cllr. Way)
 12. Cllr. Wildish provided a full update on progress with Emergency Plan – A request to consider Wifi installation at Village Hall on next agenda was made as part of this initiative.
 13. A full update on Village Hall matters was provided by Cllr. Wildish.
 14. Planning: No correspondence.
 15. CORRESPONDENCE:
A request for a further grant of £500 had been circulated pre meeting. After a full report of the ongoing and future costs of repairs it was proposed by Cllr. Wildish that this was supported – Cllr. Phillips seconded and all voted in agreement. (Donation to be made under section 137 powers)
(Email from Village Hall Management Committee refers outlining roof problems, cost of repair and requesting support. Also plan to improve MS Committee room and a further request for help.)
 16. RFO REPORT:
Cheques totalling £5,371.14 require approval and signature this month. Account balances prior to issue are c/a £37661.84 and d/a £3134.98 Total £40796.12. Bank statements were made available for audit at during meeting.
Members should note that the section 137 expenditure limit for 2020/21 will increase to a maximum of £8.32 per elector.
RFO Report proposed for acceptance by Cllr Musk, seconded by Cllr Phillips. All voted in agreement
 17. Meeting closed at 8.15pm
Next Parish Council meeting 15th January 2020.

Wildish
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