

WENHASTON WITH MELLS HAMLET PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk Richard Day

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Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 15/6/22 at 7.30pm. in the Village Hall.

Present; Cllr. P Wildish (Chair) Cllr. Musk (Vice chair) Cllr. C Way, Cllr. J Townsend, Cllr. H Phillips. , Cllr. M Welby, Cllr. C Watson, Cllr. K Canham Cllr. G Leech , District Cllr. Goldson, Clerk Richard Day and 3 parishioners

1. Chair welcomed all to meeting. Apologies received and accepted from County Cllr. Smith and Councillors Stammers and Mann.
2. There were no declarations of interest.
3. There were no requests for dispensation to vote.
4. Minutes to the meeting held on 26/5/22 were proposed for acceptance by Cllr. Musk seconded by Cllr. Welby and agreed unanimously.
5. CLERK REPORT. All matters covered within agenda headings.
6. Matters arising from previous minutes. None.
7. No report by Cllr. Smith.
8. A copy of District Cllr. Goldson's report is available upon request.
9. Items carried forward from previous meetings. (i) Specification and costings were reviewed for possible bench replacement at sites within the village and agreement reached on Lowther bench as supplied by Glasdon. Base cost is £574 per unit. Decision at next meeting on number required and finish etc. (ii) Chair summarised the activities held successfully within the village during the Jubilee Holiday and thanks were recorded for those volunteers assisting and organising. In particular Cllr. Musk has been a driving force. (A copy of Chairman's note of appreciation is available from Clerk upon request.)
10. Cllr. Leech confirmed defibrillator training will be held at village hall at 7pm on 30/6/22 for anybody wishing to attend. Councillors were requested to spread the word.
11. Condition of the car park at playing field is causing concern and represents a risk as it is very uneven in places. Approval was given to repairs costing £1K following proposal from Cllr Musk. This was seconded by Cllr. Welby and unanimously supported . Clerk to instruct

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Mark Woolnough to proceed as per estimate obtained and utilise available CIL funds to finance.

12. Cllrs. Wildish and Way attended a meeting at village school to further Parish Council engagement with young people within village. A further meeting is anticipated with PTA and a report will follow.

13. PLANNING. No correspondence.

14. No reports.

15. CORRESPONDENCE. (i) A request to improve visibility at the exit from the playing field was considered. The reasons for the request and a suggested solution failed to meet with approval and Clerk will advise originator of decision together with reasons for not supporting the request. (ii) Flagship Housing have requested re instatement of a right of way on land adjoining the allotments. They state that a hedge is now obstructing rear access to some of the properties and the tenants cannot therefore exercise their rights to use the strip of land. A copy of the correspondence has been provided to WALGA and their comments noted. Further enquiry will be made regarding the validity of the complaint and once established a meeting can be arranged to resolve. It was noted that although WALGA enjoy tenancy of the land from the Parish Council there may be an overriding responsibility to the tenants of the properties impacted by any covenant within the land transfer. A committee comprising Chair, Vice Chair and Clerk was proposed by Cllr. Musk and seconded by Cllr. Wildish to oversee the matter and report to Councillors with recommendations for resolution once full information is available. (iii) Bowls Club have confirmed replacement of their sign at entrance to playing field.

16. RFO REPORT.

Grant of £500.00 received from County Cllr Smith's enabling budget to assist with cost associated with Jubilee celebrations. Cheques totalling £5139.85 require authorisation this month. The balance at bank is £63480.56 prior to issue of cheques. Bank account has been reconciled to ledger and is made available for member audit. Report proposed for acceptance by Cllr. Musk, seconded by Cllr. Wildish and unanimously approved.

17. Meeting closed at 8.25 pm. Date of next meeting 17/8/22

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