

WENHASTON WITH MELLS HAMLET PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk Richard Day

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Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 19/07/2023 at 7.30pm. in the Village Hall.

Present; Cllr. P Wildish, (Chair) Cllr. A Musk, Cllr. J Townsend, Cllr. M Wilkinson, Cllr. C Way, Cllr. D Stammers, Cllr. K Canham, County Cllr. R Smith, District Cllr. G Wakeling and Clerk Richard Day.

1. Chair welcomed all to meeting. Apologies received and accepted from Cllrs. Mann, Leech and Welby.
2. There were no declarations of interest expressed.
3. There were no requests for dispensation to vote.
4. The minutes to the meeting held on 21/6/23 were proposed for acceptance by Cllr. Musk, seconded by Cllr. Way and unanimously approved.
5. **CLERK REPORT:**
Letter sent to VH Management Committee setting out the Council's agreement in principle to assist with various costs subject to the conditions agreed at our last meeting. Details awaited on costings and timescales.

Cleaning completed at multi sports area.

It will be necessary to update the bank mandate for the Parish Council to reflect recent changes to members. Proposal required to add new names to signatory list.

Quotation received for supply of memorial plaque as discussed last month (£855.00) This has not been proceeded with. Alternative to be explored by Cllr. Stammers. (Cllr. Wildish has required wording)

6. There were no matters arising from previous minutes.
7. A copy of Cllr. Smith's report is available from the Clerk.
8. A copy of District Cllr. Wakeling's report is available from the Clerk.
9. (i) An update was requested by Clerk by the next meeting on the situation with those persons having expressed interest in the current Parish Councillor vacancy. During the interim Councillors are requested to continue to publicise the vacant position. (ii) Cllr Wildish provided further detail on the request by the school for financial support to re-equip the library. Cllr. Wildish proposed sponsorship/purchase of 3 chairs for childrens' use in the new facility at a cost of £486.00. Cllr. Way seconded and all voted in agreement.
10. Continuing problems are experienced with glass, rubbish and vandalism at the sports area. Irregular bin emptying will also be chased again by Clerk. In addition the cost of an additional bin will be investigated, this would be placed closer to the bench already provided to encourage those using the facility to leave the area in a better condition.
11. **PLANNING.** No correspondence.

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12. CORRESPONDENCE:

Latitude arrangements and contact numbers in the event of noise traffic etc problems received and circulated to Councillors.

Letter of concern circulated to Councillors regarding traffic issues in The Street, Wenhaston. County Cllr. Smith also copied in to allow for his input and/or involvement. **ACTION.** Clerk to respond to the Parishioner with summary of discussions undertaken with County Cllr. Smith and outcome of referral of the matters raised both with Cllr. Smith and Highways Dept. SCC.

13. RFO REPORT:

Payments totalling £2706.21 required authorisation this month. Prior to this balance of account is £56672.87 and this has been reconciled to ledger and is available for member audit.

Expenditure vs Budget document prepared which reveals no substantial variation to Qtr1 plan.

Report proposed for acceptance by Cllr. Musk seconded by Cllr. Wildish and unanimously approved.

- 14. Items for next agenda. (i) Telephone box interior display. Cllr Way to provide costings for the remaining design/display work and installation. Decision on lighting to be deferred. This will allow the facility to be operational. (ii) Confirmation of proposed changes to Bank account mandate.**

Meeting Closed at 8.35 pm. Date of next meeting 16/8/23.

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