

WILBURTON PARISH COUNCIL.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on 5 January 2015 in St Peters Hall

Present: Councillors Hennessy, Fella, Dodson, Forsyth, Reynolds, Howard, Yarrow, Warren and Upton.
Councillor Hunt and 5 residents.

010115. Apologies, Acceptance of apologies and declarations of interests.

None

020115. To approve the minutes from the monthly meeting held on 6 October 2014 and emergency meeting on 13 October 2014.

Resolved: It was agreed that the above minutes be approved.

Action Point: Clerk to add the minutes to the website.

Meeting closed for public participation

030115. Public Participation – to accept questions and comments from members of the public and councillors with a prejudicial interest.

The Cricket club gave a presentation regarding the cricket field, including the moving of the nets (for health and safety reasons) to obtain grants and donations. They requested permission from the Parish Council to install new nets, not for any finance. Councillor Dodson advised that approval would be required from the Pell Estate.

040115. Reports from County and District Councillors.

Bill Hunt reported as follows:-

The Zipper bus is progressing and he is thankful for the support.

Congratulations to the team for the Local Highways application at Broadway.

The Science park train station is now under construction.

Traffic speeding through the village is a priority.

The new bus route is proving popular.

The Cinema complex at Ely is going ahead.

Quotes are being obtained for double decking car park at angel car park.

He proposes to reduce council tax.

He is opposed to 100 housing at Haddenham and windfarm at Aldreth and Stretham.

050115. Business Matters.

- (a) Precept and Budget for 2015/2016.

The precept and capital reserves were discussed in relation to proposed upgrade/additional street lights in Berristead, 2nd phase of playground, traffic lights and footpath on Broadway.

Resolved: It was proposed by Councillor Dodson and seconded by Councillor Forsyth to increase the precept by 5%. All in favour.

Action Point: Clerk to complete the necessary paperwork for ECDC.

- (b) To receive an update regarding the Social Club Lease.

Councillor Forsyth confirmed this was still ongoing.

- (c) Cricket Club

Resolved: It was proposed by Councillor Hennessy and seconded by Councillor Reynolds that the Council write to Pell Estate for approval of the moving of the cricket nets. All in favour.

Action Point: Councillor Hennessy to compose letter.

- (d) St Peter's Hall Cottage.

Councillor Hennessy suggested selling the cottage and using the funds for the Pavilion. Other options including renovation and letting were also discussed.

Resolved: It was proposed by Councillor Forsyth and seconded by Councillor Hennessy to get the Cottage and all of the other Council's assets valued. All in favour.

Resolved: It was proposed by Councillor Hennessy and seconded by Councillor Reynolds to get the Minor Works committee to look into letting the Cottage. All in favour.

- (e) To receive reports from the following Chair of Committees and working groups:-

- Finance Committee.

Councillor Hennessy confirmed that the procedures for obtaining quotes has been agreed (he will E-mail them to all the Councillors). Making payments electronically was still ongoing awaiting the change of signatories on the bank mandate.

- Planning Committee.

Councillor Fella confirmed that a date needs to be set for the Planning committee to meet, when the stopping order at Twenty Pence Road can be discussed.

- Grounds, Litter and Minor Works.
 1. Allotments – Posts are currently being erected
 2. St Peters Hall – Councillor Dodson and Councillor Warren are currently going through the list of items required for St Peters Hall.
 3. Cemetery – Councillor Dodson confirmed that all undertakers have been given our new terms and conditions and that all headstones now need to be approved by the Minor Works committee.
 4. Pavilion and Recreation Ground maintenance – The spiking and rolling of the grass will be carried out when weather permits. The Recreation ground maintenance will be on the Agenda for the next full council meeting.
 5. Referral of lighting in Berristead to Full Council due to cost.

Resolved: It was proposed by Councillor Dodson and seconded by Councillor Hennessy to accept the quote for lighting in Berristead. All in favour.

- Traffic and Safety Committee.

Councillor Forsyth thanked Councillor Yarrow for the installation of the bollards at Lucas Court. He confirmed that the £3000 for a traffic survey had been approved and ECDC had agreed to look at the current problems, predominantly Car Pond Lane, but also other areas, to give advice. Currently looking into various options and costs for short, interim and long term measures, together with any eligible funding.

- Crime, Anti-Social Behaviour and Police Liaison.

Councillor Dodson confirmed that some parking issues had been sorted and was still attempting to arrange a meeting with the local PCSO.

- Pavilion Working Group.

Councillor Forsyth confirmed that the next meeting to be arranged to include Tom (cricket club) and Steve Smith (Blades) to understand requirements for cricket club better.

- Fireworks working Group - Report and authorisation for donations.

Councillor Hennessy confirmed had been a pretty bad year – income and expenditure low and just broke even with a profit of £56.00. Proposed from reserves to give £150.00 to list: - Councillor Dodson declared an interest and abstained from vote.

Resolved: It was proposed by Councillor Hennessy and seconded by Councillor Reynolds to approve the donations as listed. All in favour.

- Community Land Trust Scheme.

Councillor Dodson confirmed that there was no major update as the December meeting was cancelled due to illness. Stretham planning permission was granted and building works are due to start Feb/March. The Trust also needs further Parish Councillors as trustees to the scheme.

Resolved: It was proposed by Councillor Dodson and seconded by Councillor Hennessy that Councillor Forsyth become a trustee and Councillors Upton and Howard discuss the role further with Councillor Dodson. All in favour.

- Community Led Plan.

Councillor Reynolds confirmed that a meeting was held on 4 December 2014 to get people involved and a leaflet put through doors as phase 1. A questionnaire from results will be phase 2.

Councillor Reynolds was thanked for all of his efforts.

- Playground Working Group (to be incorporated into Grounds, Litter and Minor Works Committee for maintenance)

Councillor Fella confirmed that a soakaway was required and tenders needed to be obtained.

Resolved: It was proposed by Councillor Fella and seconded by Councillor Forsyth that tenders be obtained and work carried out within this year's budget. All in favour.

060115. Correspondence not covered in Business Matters.

The Clerk confirmed she had received an E-Mail requesting whether the Council were considering having a defibrillator in the Village but, as there are first responders, there are no plans at present.

070115. Councillors Questions – To receive any comments or questions from the Councillors.

Councillor Dodson expressed thanks for putting up the Christmas Tree

It was decided to hold a Planning committee on 6 Jan 2015

Meeting closed 10.00

080115. Date of next meeting – 18 May 2015.

Please note that copies of minutes can be obtained from the Parish Clerk or by visiting our Website at www.wilburtonparishcouncil.org

On-going projects

Pavilion & Recreation Ground
Stretham and Wilburton Community Land Trust Scheme
Playground Working Group
Parish Community Led Plan

Signed:

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