WILBURTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting from 5th April 2023 held at St Peter's Hall, at 8pm

Present: Cllr Lambert, Cllr Upton, Cllr Spencer, Cllr Wilson, Cllr Attrill, and Cllr S Morgan

Also Present: Assistant Clerk (Kara) Incoming Clerk (Andy) and 3 members of the public.

23-017: Apologies, Acceptance of apologies and declarations of interests

Apologies from Cllr Hennessey and Cllr J Aniskowicz.

23-018: To approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on 1 March 2023

Minutes from the meeting held on 1st March were accepted.

23-019: Public Participation (15 mins) – to accept questions and comments from members of the public and councillors with a prejudicial interest. (max 3 mins per person)

There was public participation

23-020: Reports from County and District Councillors None

23-021: Business Matters

1. Consider update from Chair and welcome to new Clerk – Cllr Attrill

Seven pre-existing councillors have applied to be Councillors ahead of the May elections. Councillor Attrill welcomed new clerk, Andy, who introduced himself.

2. Consider update on Social Club lease and repairs – Cllr Upton

Cllr Upton thanked Claire, chair of the Social Club, for all her hard work in improving the facilities at the club. Claire and her team have worked extremely hard.

Cllr Attrill updated all on his communications with the solicitor regarding the lease.

3. Consider hall bookings update on the new booking arrangement - Cllr Attrill

Booking have increased since the Social Club have taken over. All Councillors are happy and grateful to the social club for taking over the bookings.

4. Consider spending the hall speaker money towards a new sound mixer desk for the hall

Cllr Attrill summarised the points raised by the various groups who utilise the hall. There is approximately £2,000 in the budget. Cllrs will further investigate this and report back at a later date.

5. Recreation Field

a) Discuss WRAP – planning permission for drop curb– Cllr Attrill

Still awaiting planning permission from East Cambs District Council.

b) Discuss aeration for the recreation field – Cllr Morgan

Cllrs discussed the aeration of the recreation ground. Cllr Morgan to instruct the contractor as per the quote.

It was agreed that Trulink be appointed to carry out aeration of both fields at the recreation ground. At a cost of £700. Proposed by Cllr Wilson and seconded by Cllr Lambert.

c) Consider purchase of some equipment for pitch repairs at the end of the football season. Pipe, soaker hoses, fittings, seed – Cllr Morgan

Cllr Morgan requested the purchase equipment needed for repairs. At a cost of £225. Cllr Lambert to try to source top soil.

 d) Consider converting a dead patch on the recreation field boundary with some wild flowers or similar
– Cllr Morgan

The area will not be mowed and allowed to grow. The cricket club have re-seeded this area (with grass seed).

6. Discuss assessing a tree on the Berristead Close as a large limb has fallen - Cllr Morgan

Cllr Attrill believes that Tree 753 has lost a limb. Assistant Clerk to email Christopher Cant, at East Cambs to ask for a site survey to consider the safety of the tree.

7. Consider update on Community Free House – All

To be discussed at a future meeting.

8. Planning applications to discuss

a) 23/00272/LBC - 38 High Street Wilburton: Garage conversion. Creation of new doorway in the gable end of annexe so can build a covered link way connecting annexe and converted garage. Works to annexe to create shower room and kitchen area plus internal insulation

No objections.

b) **23/00332/FUL - Chambers Farm Whitecross Road Wilburton:** Construction of 4 bedroom, two storey detached dwelling to replace existing dwelling

No objections.

22-022: Agenda items for next meeting

Mixing Desk at the hall Social Club Lease and repairs Recreation Field: Cricket Nets and dropped club application Cottage Beer Festival

22-023: Councillors Questions - To receive any comments or questions from the Councillors

Cllr Upton shared comments related to the three speed cameras (currently awaiting collection). Speedwatch will be approached to ask if they would be able to help with the charging and movement of devices. Village Voice delivery has been delayed due to problems with the delivery driver. The Parish Council would like to apologise to all Village Voice readers and those who have advertised in the April edition.

22-024: Date of next meeting - Wednesday 3rd May