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**WIVETON PARISH COUNCIL**

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**Chairman : Cllr. John Ramm. Parish Clerk : Louise Stevens**

**Minutes of the Meeting of Wiveton Parish Council held on Wednesday 17th**

**February 2021 at 7.30pm, remotely by Zoom, in accordance with Covid 19**

**safety guidelines.**

1. **Welcome and Apologies**

**Present : Chairman Cllr. J. Ramm, Cllr. M. Pearce, Cllr. R. Pryor, Cllr. A. Beal and Cllr. A. Hardcastle. Also present were County Councillor Dr. Marie Strong and Parish Clerk**

**Louise Stevens.**

**The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. There were apologies from**

**District Councillor Karen Ward.**

**2. Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations :**

**There were none.**

**3. Parish Clerk, welcome and update :**

**As Agreed, The Chairman approached Louise Stevens. From 1st February, Louise will take on the role as Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer.**

**4. To approve the Minutes of the last Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 20th January 2021, held remotely by Zoom :**

**The minutes had been circulated to all Councillors by email, and all Councillors confirmed that they are a true copy of the meeting. The Chairman approved them and will sign them**

**in person.**

**5. Matters Arising :**

**There were no Matters Arising which were not elsewhere on the Agenda for this**

**meeting.**

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**6. To receive reports and updates :**

**No Police Report.**

**County Councillor Dr. Marie Strong had sent her report by email earlier, which highlights a number of matters including current opportunities for new Apprenticeships in Norfolk, the May elections, Covid 19 information. Cllr. Pearce asked about the Full County Council Budget Approval, and Dr. Strong confirmed that this is planned for Monday 22nd February and will include decisions on Precepts.**

**7. Finance :**

**The Clerk reported the Barclays Bank balances as follows :**

**Current Account balance as at today’s date - £12,380.37**

**Deposit Account balance as at today’s date - £20,021.49**

**Total balance held : £32,401.86**

**An application has been made by Cllr Pearce to Barclays to add more signatories to these accounts, to remove one and for a change of address.**

**8. Planning :**

**Councillors are in consideration of Planning Application PF/ 21 / 0322 , Furlongs, Long Lane, Wiveton, which was received today. Councillors should send in comments to The Chairman. The deadline for receipt of comments by NNDC is Tuesday 9th March and the Parish Council would need to comment through the Chairman before its next meeting**

**It was proposed that the Parish Council should send a response to the Planning Officer, when and if a further application is made for Cooks Marsh Cley (the current application for: Lawful Development Certificate for an existing operation - replacement of roof material on agricultural building’ has now been approved). It is rumoured that an application may be made for a hotel**

**9. Highways and footpaths :**

**Sandy Lane - Cllr. A. Beal reported that plants have been ordered, and preparations for a working bubble to help with the planting are being discussed.**

**No further progress on tackling speeding along the Blakeney Road or through the village.**

**The footpath that runs from Leatherpool Lane to the village of Cley is currently in a very dangerous condition, with the ground on the land side collapsing into the ditch. Louise Agreed to contact Steve White at Highways to report this.**

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**10. Village Maintenance and Grass Cutting :**

**Eddie Myers is due to start work on the top hedges on the Allotted land next week.**

**The maintenance work which included the car park surface repairs and more recently the flailing of the hedges has been carried out in both parts of the Village car park. Additionally rubbish has been removed**

**Cutting of the overhanging hedges throughout the village is well advanced**

**Langham Road hedges have been cut**

**Works on The Street has been completed**

**Ivy and overhanging vegetation will be cut near Green Farm, Blakeney Road**

**It is hoped that hedge cutting on Chapel Lane will be completed shortly and on the corner of Leatherpool Lane and the Street**

**The hedges at Horn Pie House will be cut by the owners contractors by the end of February.**

**11. Village Projects :**

**Cllr. Andrea Beal has requested quotes for new No Parking and direction signs.**

**The Chairman has asked Wayne Shread for quote to repair the shingles on the bus shelter roof.**

**Steve Beal has advised that wildflower replanting on the south section of the Village green this spring should avoid the area of the Green where orchids are present**

**It was Agreed that three quotes should be obtained from builders, David Berry, Carl Holman and Lee Saunders, who specialise in working with lime mortar, for repairs to the Allotment wall in Chapel Lane. These repairs will need to be carried out in warmer weather, when there is no risk of frosts.**

**It is hoped to start on the proposals for the Allotted Land next month. The Chairman agreed to speak to the owner of possessions still on the Alloted Land**

**The Council would like to thank Steve Beal and others for their excellent work in the churchyard extension.**

**12. Amnesty :**

**Designs for the Amnesty Memorial stone, to be placed on Wiveton Green have been circulated by email by Cllr. Antonia Hardcastle. The Parish Council will be consulted on**

**their preferred choice of design.**

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**13. Covid 19 :**

**Cllr. Hardcastle provided members with a briefing on cases and the vaccine programme in Norfolk.**

**14. Parish Councillor Vacancies :**

**Parish Councillor Vacancies Notices will be posted in the Notice Boards outside the**

**Parish Rooms and circulated in the Village Newsletter. This will be after Cllr Pearce has spoken with the Elections Team (Democratic Services) of NNDC and made the application to advertise the vacancies**

**15. Correspondence:**

**All correspondence has been covered.**

**16. Parishioners Questions :**

**There were none. Parishioners can request a zoom link from the Clerk.**

**17. Any of business :**

**The Clerk will investigate a Personal Zoom Pro account, which will allow more time**

**for meetings.**

**18. Date of next meeting :**

**Wednesday 17th March 2021 at 7.30pm.**

**There being no further business, The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.10pm.**

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**The Chairman. Date.**