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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 November 2021**

**at 7.30pm in the Parish Rooms.**

1. **Welcome and Apologies :**

**Present : Chairman Cllr. John Ramm, Vice-Chairman Cllr. Martin Pearce, Cllr. Rachel Pryor,**

**Cllr. Dr. Antonia Hardcastle and Cllr. Andrea Beal.**

**Also present Parish Clerk Louise Stevens.**

**Apologies were received from District Councillor Dr. Victoria Holliday. There were two**

**Representatives of Amnesty International present.**

**The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.**

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

**There were none.**

**3. To Approve the minutes of the last meeting held on Wednesday 22nd September 2021 at 7.30pm in the Parish Rooms :**

**The minutes had been circulated to all Councillors earlier by email and all Councillors Agreed that they are a true record of the meeting.**

**Vice-Chairman proposed them, and Cllr. Rachel Pryor seconded them.**

**The Chairman duly signed them.**

**4. Matters Arising :**

**Cllr. Pearce with the support of Councillor Hardcastle has produced a letter explaining that there are two casual Vacancies on the Parish Council. It advises parishioners who have an interest in these positions to contact either the Chairman, the clerk or any Councillor.**

**This will be posted on the village email list and the Councils website.**

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**The Flood Protection Modelling Group have recently held a meeting with Royal**

**Haskoning for discussions. Details will be available later.**

**It was suggested that the village Flood Wardens should arrange a meeting to check**

**equipment.**

**5. To receive reports :**

**District Councillor Dr. Victoria Holiday sent her report by email.**

**6. Finance :**

**The clerk produced a financial statement with up to date balances in both**

**Barclays Bank Accounts. Recycling credits totalling £523.47 have been received and a VAT refund for £318.92 has been applied for.**

**There were two payments made after the last meeting :**

**E. T. Myers. 25.00**

**M. Woodhouse. 60.00**

**Total : £85.00**

**There were three payments to approve this evening :**

**D. Francis. 90.00**

**Glass collections 59.40**

**L. Stevens. 459.00**

**Total : £608.40**

**These payments were approved, cheques were drawn and duly signed.**

**The clerk and Cllr. Pearce had both prepared projected accounts for the year ending 31st March 2022 to enable Councillors to decide whether to alter the precept request for the following year. After discussions it was decided to not increase the precept from £4,000**

**annually.**

**Wiveton Church recently launched a fundraising campaign to help with much needed renovations. The clerk suggested that Recycling credits from the two bottle banks be donated to this fund.**

**All Councillors Agreed that recycling credits up to 1st April will be donated to the Church.**

**A notice will be posted on the village website encouraging parishioners to deposit waste glass in the banks.**

**7. Planning :**

**PF/21/2977. Dog walking field Coast Road, Wiveton.**

**The above numbered application was recently received. The proposals include metal fencing inside the meadow, a new car park and a large wooden building. Concerns were raised on a highway’s basis, with the access and exit onto a busy A road.**

**This was discussed by the Council and all members voted to OBJECT to this Application. Cllr. Pearce will prepare a formal response on behalf of Wiveton Parish Council and submit it to the Planning Department by email.**

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**One extra parishioner arrived for the remainder of the meeting.**

**The Council have recently been made aware of a Planning Application for the neighbouring**

**village of Cley, but have not been consulted by the Planning Department. The Council is aware that the deadline for comments had passed.**

**The proposal is for a Hostel / Hotel on Cook’s Marsh. This area is recognised as a flood plan and regularly floods. It also is within the Conservation Area and Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Cley is also classified as a Dark Skies Area and a Hostel / Hotel would create light pollution.**

**It was Agreed to contact the NNDC Planners and send a response for their attention.**

**The Chairman circulated a copy of the new plans for the building works outside the front**

**of The Bell. These had previously been Approved by the Planners and the Parish Council.**

**8. Highways and Footpaths :**

**The Coast Road footpath between Wiveton and Cley has been repaired by Highways.**

**9. Landscape and maintenance :**

**The Coast Road permissive path has overhanging branches which need clearing.**

**A working party will carry out maintenance as soon as possible.**

**S. Beal will cut down the wildflowers on the village green in dry weather conditions.**

**The grass on the Church Green will continue to be cut weather permitting.**

**A quote to repair the roof on the bus shelter is expected soon.**

**Quotes will continue to be obtained for the repair of the Allotment wall.**

**10. COVID 19 :**

**The case numbers are rising in North Norfolk.**

**11. Correspondence :**

**All correspondence is received and circulated by email.**

**12. Amnesty Plinth :**

**Two representatives from Amnesty gave a short presentation with photographs**

**showing the proposed stone plinth in the suggested position. Funds have been raised to cover costs for the purchase and carving of the scripture.**

**Cllr. Andrea Beal read out an email from concerned resident.**

**This proposed structure was discussed and the installation was Approved. The PC agreed that this was an unique request and it would not set an precedent for other organisations’**

**requests for public monuments on the village green.**

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**13. Parishioners Questions :**

**A resident expressed concerns about speeding vehicles through village and urged the Parish Council to pursue a new 20mph speed limit. A SAM 2 flashing sign was discussed and it was Agreed that Louise will contact a representative from Highways to discuss options available to the Parish Council. Residents will be consulted of any plans or suggestions.**

**14. Any other business :**

**The illegal overnight parking on the Downs and in the Car Park was noted. It was**

**Agreed to install No Wild Camping signs. Cllr. Andrea Beal will contact the printers.**

**Ideas for the Village Christmas Hampers were discussed and it was Agreed to contact**

**Picnic Fayre, a local business to enquire about possible costs and products. A card from the Parish Council and the Parish Room Committee will be produced to place inside each gift bag.**

**15. Meetings for 2022 :**

**Cllr. Pearce will prepare a schedule of meeting dates for 2022. The Parish Council is due**

**to meet on the third Wednesday of each month excluding August and December.**

**There being no further business the meeting ended at 9.15pm**

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**Chairman. Date.**