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 **WIVETON PARISH COUNCIL**

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

**Vice-Chairman : Cllr. Martin Pearce**

**Minutes of the Meeting of Wiveton Parish Council held on Thursday 5th January**

**2023 at 7.30pm in the Parish Rooms.**

1. **Welcome and Apologies :**

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

**Andrea Beal, Cllr. Phil Cheadle, Cllr. Richard Petley and Cllr. Nichola Harrison.**

**Also present County Councillor Michael Dalby, District Councillor Dr. Victory**

**Holliday and Parish Clerk, Louise Stevens.**

**Apologies were received from Cllr. Rachel Pryor.**

**There were six parishioners present.**

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

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

**None.**

**3. Parishioners Questions :**

**A parishioner enquired whether Tenancy Agreements were in place for the users of the Allotted Land and if the Parish Council is receiving rental payments.**

**The Chairman confirmed that there are no Tenancy Agreements at present and therefore the Parish Council does not receive rent from the Allotted Land as proposals for plots,**

**parking and a community orchard are currently being discussed.**

**Quotes for the replacement of the bus shelter roof have been requested.**

**Concerns were raised about excessive signage in the village for various local businesses.**

**Some signs are blocking vision at junctions and should be removed. Cllr. Harrison**

**Agreed to pursue this matter and make enquiries with NCC about signs and their removal.**

**4. To Approve the Minutes for the last Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday**

**8th December 2022 :**

**The Draft minutes had been previously circulated by the Clerk by the email and displayed**

**on the Councils website. It was Agreed that they are a true record of the meeting.**

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**Vice-Chairman Cllr. Pearce proposed them and Cllr. Phil Cheadle seconded them.**

**5. Matters Arising :**

**None.**

**6. To receive reports :**

**District Councillor Dr. Victoria Holliday previously circulated her monthly report by email.**

**She highlighted projects including The Youth Council, Shore Management Scheme and**

**Hornsey Community Fund for Capital projects.**

**The Warm Space scheme for Wiveton was discussed. Cllr. Andrea Beal mentioned that**

**as the Parish Rooms Committee only has three members organising such a scheme would be difficult.**

**Two parishioners volunteered to organise a monthly Coffee Morning in the Parish Rooms. Starting on the 24th January between 10 and 12pm. The Parish Rooms were offered**

**free of charge and the Parish Council will provide complimentary refreshments.**

**The deadline for a response to the The Glaven Valley Conservation Area Review is January**

**20th. Discussions are currently ongoing to request a further Public Meeting with stakeholders and an extension to this date.**

**County Councillor Michael Dalby had circulated his report by email previously.**

**He highlighted the use of ten Care Properties within Norfolk to relieve the pressure on**

**the National Health Service.**

**He informed the council that the proposals for reducing speed limit on the Coast Road between Hunstanton and Weybourne to 40mph will be delayed to 2024.**

**The Chairman thanked the Councillors for this reports and they left the meeting.**

**7. Parish Rooms Report :**

**Grants are available through the Platinum Jubilee Fund, and quotes will be obtained**

**to insulate the buildings roof space.**

**Hopefully new Committee members will be welcomed this year. Rentals are increasing**

**with a few over the Christmas period.**

**8. Finance :**

**Balance in Barclays Current account as at todays date : £ 17, 802.22.**

**Balance in Barclays Deposit account as at todays date : £ 20, 042.84.**

**The Council received confirmation that a regular quarterly bank transfer has been set up by the Chestnut Group for £1350.00.**

**Payments to approve this evening :**

**Printing costs 10.00**

**Countrystyle recycling 39.00**

**Defibrillator parts 180.00**

**Total amount. £229.00**

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**These payments were Agreed, cheques were drawn and signed.**

**Cllr. Nichola Harrison commented that due to the substantial balance/reserves held by the**

**Council, that in future the Parish Council should not request a precept payment.**

**The Clerk stated that with the list of assets held by the Council it would be prudent**

**to maintain reserves for future projects and without a guaranteed income these reserves will soon decrease.**

**Cllrs. Harrison, Petley and Cheadle will build a financial forecast for all current proposed projects.**

**A donation of £250.00 was raised for Wiveton Church, representing part of the income from**

**the glass bank.**

**9. Planning :**

**Cllr. Pearce attended a meeting with other local Parish Councils, including**

**Mr. Pugh-Smith, Thornage to discuss the Glaven Valley Conservation Area Review document. A letter requesting the deadline date is moved and a Public Meeting**

**arranged will be signed by representatives from local parish councils.**

**All members Agreed that Cllr. Pearce should sign on behalf of the Council.**

**Chairman Cllr. John Ramm and Vice-Chairman Cllr. Pearce will inspect the current**

**Planning Application for Glaven Acres and prepare a response to the planning department by email.**

**10. Highways and Footpaths :**

**Cllr. Richard Petley confirmed work on the Coast Road permissive path will commence shortly.**

**A parishioner has emailed concerns about the parking on some grass verges in the village. This is causing obstructions and destroying the green areas.**

**Agreed that Cllr. Andrea Beal will organise two new polite green/yellow signs to prevent this.**

**Bollards will be in position until these are installed.**

**11. Village maintenance and grass cutting :**

**Dennis Francis will continue to cut the church and village green for this year.**

**Eddie Myers will be asked to cut back the conifer by the pub wall and this is encroaching**

**on the road. Agreed to contact Highways and the pub for further assistance.**

**A quote has been requested for the repair of the bus shelter from a local contractor**

**but not received.**

**12. Wiveton Bell update :**

**The Council is awaiting details of the Draft Deed of Covenant from the Chestnut group.**

**13. Allotted Land and Proposed Community Orchard :**

**It was Agreed to circulate the proposed plans to Parishioners by email.**

**14. Correspondence :**

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**Agreed to allow the village email operated by Dr. Hardcastle to include information**

**for various events and other social matters.**

**15. Any other business :**

**Cllr. Harrison enquired about the possibility of a bus stop at the top of Hall Lane.**

**This was pursued unsuccessfully a few years ago before. The Council agreed to investigate this again and consider funding the installation of the new required signage in principle.**

**16. Date of meetings for 2023 :**

**February 2nd, March 2nd, April 6th, May and June to be confirmed due to local elections,**

**July 6th, September 5th, October 5th and November 2nd.**

**There being no further business the meeting ended at 9.20pm.**

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**Chairman. Date.**