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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 25th May 2023 at**

**7.50pm in the Parish Rooms.**

**1. Welcome and Apologies:**

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

**Nichola Harrison, Cllr. Godfrey Sayers, Cllr. Richard Petley and Cllr. Phil Cheadle.**

**Also present District Councillor Dr. Victoria Holliday and Parish Clerk, Louise Stevens.**

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

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

**None.**

**3. To Approve the Minutes for the last Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 2nd March 2023 :**

**The Draft Minutes had been circulated by the Clerk by email and displayed on the Council’s**

**website and circulated on the village email. It was Agreed that they are a true record of the meeting.**

**The Chairman proposed them and Cllr. Cheadle seconded them. The Chairman signed them.**

**4. Matters Arising :**

**None.**

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**5. To receive reports :**

**County Councillor Mr. Michael Dalby will send his monthly report by email.**

**District Councillor Dr. Victoria Holliday gave her report to the meeting :**

**Blakeney Surgery closure - There has been an online survey by Local MP Duncan Baker and paper questionnaires are available to print out and submit. Deadline for these replies/comments is 9th June 2023. A public consultation is expected.**

**Community First Responders - training is presently ongoing.**

**Blakeney Benefice Hardship Fund - Available for local people, including Wiveton parishioners, for help with the cost of living crisis.**

**Blue Flag beaches - three blue flag beaches remain. East Runton, Mundesley and Sea Palling no longer rated blue flag.**

**Glaven Valley Conservation Area Review - No update.**

**Second homes/lets Consultation to be advised.**

**The Chairman thanked District Councillor Holliday for her report.**

**6. Finance : To Approve payments, Clerks Salary and Budget Plan :**

**The Clerk reported the following balances as at todays date :**

**Barclays Bank Current Account - £22,472.27**

**Barclays Bank Deposit Account - £20,067.72**

**Total held - £42,539.99**

**The first precept payment has been received for £1968.50.**

**A Coronation Lunch Party was organised and funded by the Parish Council.**

**Approx. 100 people attended. Parishioners also kindly contributed with various food items.**

**Payments to Approve tonight :**

**D. Francis. 45.00**

**Countrystyle Recycling. 63.00**

**NALC. Subs and website. 305.41**

**BHIB Insurance. 759.87**

**L. Stevens. 435.50**

**Coronation Food. 316.77**

**W. Shead. 350.00**

**Coronation Food. 545.58**

**Total : £2,821.13**

**These payments were proposed by Cllr. Richard Petley and seconded by Cllr. Phil Cheadle.**

**Cheques were drawn and duly signed.**

**The Budget Plan will be discussed at the next meeting.**

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**7. Planning :**

**Leatherpool Lane, Wiveton - The Council has sent in a response on this application.**

**The Landscape Officer has concerns.**

**Land in front of Wiveton Bell - Planning Application refused.**

**The Council is awaiting the Restrictive Covenant on the grassed area so it remains free of commercial development. Chestnut Group has showed an interest in placing pub paraphernalia on this area.**

**A new Planning Application will now be required.**

**The new owners of a small wood on the Newgate Crossroads at the bottom of Bridgefoot Lane is clearing this sensitive area, which is not advised at this time of the year due to the nesting birds. The Council will check the status of this area in the GVCA and check with NNDC for Tree Preservation Orders on trees in the vicinity.**

**8. Village Maintenance, to include The Downs :**

**A parishioner has raised concerns about the short steps on Wiveton Downs which have been installed by the County Council and suggested a new hand rail be fitted on one side.**

**Cllr. Godfrey Sayers proposed a site meeting with NCC on the Downs to discuss various issues. A joint agreement is in place with both the Parish Council and the County Council**

**for maintenance issues.**

**9. Highways, to include new proposed Bus Stop :**

**Cllr. Nichola Harrison has been working jointly with County Councillor Michael Dalby on a new proposed bus stop at the top of Hall Lane. Plans have been drawn and Approved by the County Council. Total cost for this project is £2,400.00. Councillor Dalby will be funding**

**50% of this cost from his parish budget and the Parish Council Agreed to fund the remaining 50%. All Agreed the plans.**

**A Public Consultation for thr new proposed 40 mph speed limit on the A149 from Hunstanton to Sheringham expected soon.**

**10. Project Tracker :**

**This will be implemented at the next meeting.**

**11. Allotted Land :**

**Parishioners have been consulted and the proposed plans displayed in the Notice Board**

**and on the village email. The deadline for any final comments is 14th June 2023.**

**The clearing work will commence shortly and new Rental Agreements will be sent out**

**by 1st October 2023. An interim payment for parking during this period will be added.**

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**12. Correspondence :**

**The Glaven Valley Newsletter had contacted local organisations in order to raise**

**much needed funds. On discussing their financial situation it was Agreed by all**

**to donate £1,000.00. A cheque was drawn and the clerk will forward it to Mr. Tyler,**

**The Treasurer, GVN.**

**13. Any other business :**

**After a discussion, it was Agreed to hold parish council meetings bi monthly with immediate effect.**

**The clerks hours will increase from 2.5 hours to 3 hours per week to help manage the Clerk’s workload.**

**14. Date of next meeting :**

**Thursday 6th July 2023 at 7.30pm.**

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

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**The Chairman. Date.**