

## WOLLASTON PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2017, AT THE OASIS, HIGH STREET, WOLLASTON

#### ACTION

**PRESENT:** Councillors Mrs Bailey and Mrs Fowler, Messrs Alms, Bailey (Chairman), Goldsmith, Hollowell, Mitchell, Rooney, Savage and Tyrrell. Mrs A Young (Clerk).

**IN ATTENDANCE:** 4 members of the public to discuss item 17/020, Leader of the Borough Council of Wellingborough Martin Griffiths and Police & Crime Commissioner for Northamptonshire Stephen Mould for the open meeting.

#### 17/012

##### **APOLOGIES RECEIVED**

Messrs Alvis, MacKenzie and Simmons.

#### 17/013

##### **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Councillor Mr Hollowell – item 17/020 (h) relative of Whitestar Systems CEO.

#### 17/014

##### **MINUTES**

It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2017 were read and to be signed as a correct record.

#### 17/015

##### **POLICE REPORT**

- 10 crimes were recorded for January 2017.
- The Police & Crime Commissioner for Northamptonshire held a presentation in the open meeting to advise of the Police & Crime Plan 2017-2021.

#### 17/016

##### **CLERKS REPORT**

- 1) Reminder the next Borough Council Parishes Forum is 30<sup>th</sup> March. Propose to discuss the footpath required to the Cenotaph and the future of the HWRC – Clerk will attend plus one other representative required alongside Borough Councillor.
- 2) The Durapol picnic bench at the playing field was set fire to (which has been taken away by Wellingborough Norse) and the fence was also damaged. The Police are following leads and believe they may know who caused the damage. The committee are keen to have the costs paid for by the culprits once confirmed.
- 3) An email has been received today from Balfour Beatty asking that dog waste bins attached to street lamps are removed and also to get relevant permission and licence for any other street furniture attached to lamps.
- 4) Isham community group has contacted the Clerk for advice on how to complete the Borough Council Community Asset Register application form as we successfully registered the Wollaston Inn as a community asset.

- 5) The Clerk has been chasing Wellingborough Homes to take responsibility for the street lamps in Windmill Close as per their agreement May 2016. The newly appointed person responsible has not responded despite a telephone conversation and two emails.
- 6) Following many telephone calls and emails between a resident, myself and Wellingborough Norse, the Clerk has managed to get Wellingborough Norse to commit to litter picking London Road entrance from A509 as there is constant rubbish in that area. May be worth putting signs on exit from playing field asking users to take their rubbish home?

**17/017****FINANCE**

**Payments for authorisation.** It was RESOLVED to approve the following payments for February 2017:

A M YOUNG	903.28
HMRC	75.83
NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL	301.07
HAYESWOOD LANDSCAPES	1391.13
OXFORD INNOVATION LTD	406.62
WELLINGBOROUGH NORSE LTD	29.76
EON	<u>27.51</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3135.20</b>

**17/018****PLANNING**a) Applications

Outstanding application status:

APPLICATION NO.	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	P C RESPONSE TO BCoW	STATUS
16/00054/CCDFUL	Wollaston Community Primary School	Construction of two storey extension.	No objections.	Approved.
WP/17/00068/FUL	Vicarage Farm, 179 Wellingborough Rd	Removal of painted black corrugated cladding and 8 no. steel livestock gates to be replaced by green cladding and a single roller shutter door.	No objections.	Pending.
WP/17/00074/FUL	72 The Pyghtles	Part single and part 2 storey rear extension.	No objections.	Pending.
WP/17/00048/LBC	51 High Street	Demolition of existing ground floor extension and reinstatement of a two storey wing. Installation of conservatory, creation of two basement levels.	No objections.	Pending.
WP/17/00047/FUL	51 High Street	Demolition of existing ground floor extension and reinstatement of a two storey wing. Installation of conservatory, creation of two basement levels.	No objections.	Pending.
WP17/00057/FUL	22 Priory Road	Single storey ground floor extension. Re-submission.	No objections.	Pending.
WP/17/00046/FUL	201 Hinwick Road	Proposed new dwelling on land to rear.	No objections.	Pending.
WP/17/00012/FUL	27 The Gap	Annex extension and garage conversion.	No objections.	Pending.

WP/16/00683/LBC	2 London Road	Moving wall either side of gate within boundary to boundary of property.	No objections.	Pending.
WP/16/00685/LBC	84 High Street	Rethatching of roof and associated works.	No objections.	Permitted.
WP/16/00755/FUL	51 High Street	Proposed extension to an existing garage to provide additional garage space and storage.	No objections.	Pending.
WP/16/00756/LBC	51 High Street	Proposed extension to an existing garage to provide additional garage space and storage.	No objections.	Pending.
WP/16/00741/FUL	19 Church Lane	Demolition of existing front extension and construction of two storey front extension.	No objections.	Permitted.
WP/16/00774/FUL	Vicarage Farm, 179 Wellingborough Rd	New track to allow improved vehicular access to farmyard and provide turning circle for large vehicles including emergency services.	No objections.	Pending.

- b) Any other planning business  
None.

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**17/019****REPORTS OF THE BOROUGH/COUNTY COUNCILLORS**

- **Borough.**
- It was agreed the Clerk will write to the Borough Council Chief Executive for an update on the Household Waste Recycling Centre.
- **County.**
- **Wollaston Schools academies.** No updates have been received to date from Borough Councillor Jo Beirne since the letter received in October from the Department for Education. It was agreed to ask Councillor Beirne to chase for an update.
- It was agreed the Clerk will make contact with the County Council to ask for £200.00 towards the youth project as no response has been received from County Councillor Sue Homer regarding the Empowering Councillors grant.

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AY**17/020****REPORTS OF WORKING PARTIES/COMMITTEES****a) Environmental & Highways.**

- **To RESOLVE how to respond to Northamptonshire County Council Highways proposed no waiting any time (double yellow lines) at Thrift Street/ St Michaels Lane.**  
It was RESOLVED that Wollaston Parish Council objects to double yellow lines being installed at this location. The Clerk will respond accordingly to the County Council.
- **To RESOLVE to agree a 3 year contract with Hayeswood Landscapes for Grass cutting at an increase of 2% per year.**  
It was RESOLVED to sign a 3 year contract at a 2% increase per year on the figure quoted for 2017/18.
- The Clerk will arrange to have a batch of the new Police stickers delivered, to put on vehicles parked inconsiderately.
- The Cradle – work is still ongoing regarding Timotay and the County Councils approved contractor list. Copies of their Public Liability Insurance have been sent to the Regulations Department.

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**b) Cemetery**

Nothing to report.

**c) Footpaths**

- TV3 Irchester Road. Councillor Mr Mitchell reported there is ivy from the side of the footpath encroaching a neighbouring property. It was agreed the Clerk will get a price for the removal from Hayeswood Landscapes. This item will be discussed fully at the March meeting.
- Councillor Mr Hollowell is still awaiting the installation of the noticeboard at Summerleys - Councillor Mr Simmons agreed to contact the Wildlife Trust at previous meetings.

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**d) Playing Field & Parks** (see minutes below of meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> February).

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Since the last meeting invoices received as follows: £25.80 Wellingborough Norse for wheelie bin emptying, Heritage Arboriculture for tree work in the sum of £450.00, £25.82 EON floodlight energy, £295.00 Playground Supplies for renewing rope on rope bridge and £295.00 Trinity Land for septic tank emptying.

The budget review was discussed and figures noted.

**PLAY EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

Mr Savage reported that the equipment is in good order. Mr Savage reported that the area of grass that had previously been reported as churned up is now even worse – it was felt that reseeding the area would be pointless at present.

**POCKET PARK**

Nothing to report.

**SPORTS ASSOCIATION REPORT**

Mr Silsby advised that the overseas player has been signed up.

Mr Green reported that youth football is going well as are the veterans team. Problems at present regarding Irchester football team using Wollaston playing field for training as not using the correct area at the correct time – this situation will need to be resolved going forward as Wollaston's teams are paying subscriptions to the Sports Association for the facilities and it is unfair to allow other users free of charge; this is also causing an issue with cars parking outside the field on the verges.

Timotay have contacted Mr Green to advise that a quote will be with him soon for the 3G surface.

**PURCHASES REQUIRED**

It was agreed to instruct RPM to power wash the tennis courts before the financial year end. Mr Silsby was asked to organise the tractor to be serviced with Day & Coles before the financial year end.

Mr Hodges advised Mr Savage that the field should be aerated – a price is awaited.

**FIELD MAINTENANCE/MATTERS RELATING TO THE FIELD**

The picnic bench at the London Road play area was set on fire and had to be attended to by the Fire Brigade. The bench is destroyed and will need taking away and replacing; the fence is also damaged. The Police are aware and are making enquiries. The Clerk will ask Simon Norris the price for removing the bench, installing a new one and repairing the fence. Mr Silsby will re-contact Pestforce to eradicate moles.

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**e) Street lighting.**

Councillor Mr Savage will be getting a price for maintenance and lighting of the five lights in Windmill Close as there has been no response from Wellingborough Homes who originally agreed to take responsibility May 2016. This item will be discussed in detail at the March meeting.

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The Chairman thanked Councillor Mr Savage for all his hard work and commitment over the years in getting the street lamps in the village to adoptable standard for the County Council to take responsibility.

**g) Village Hall**

Nothing to report.

**h)Website**

Councillors were shown the latest proofs of the services and homepage. It is hoped the new website will be up and running from the beginning of March 2017. The contract with Electronic Chalk expired 1<sup>st</sup> February and in the meantime Whitestar Systems have updated the existing website.

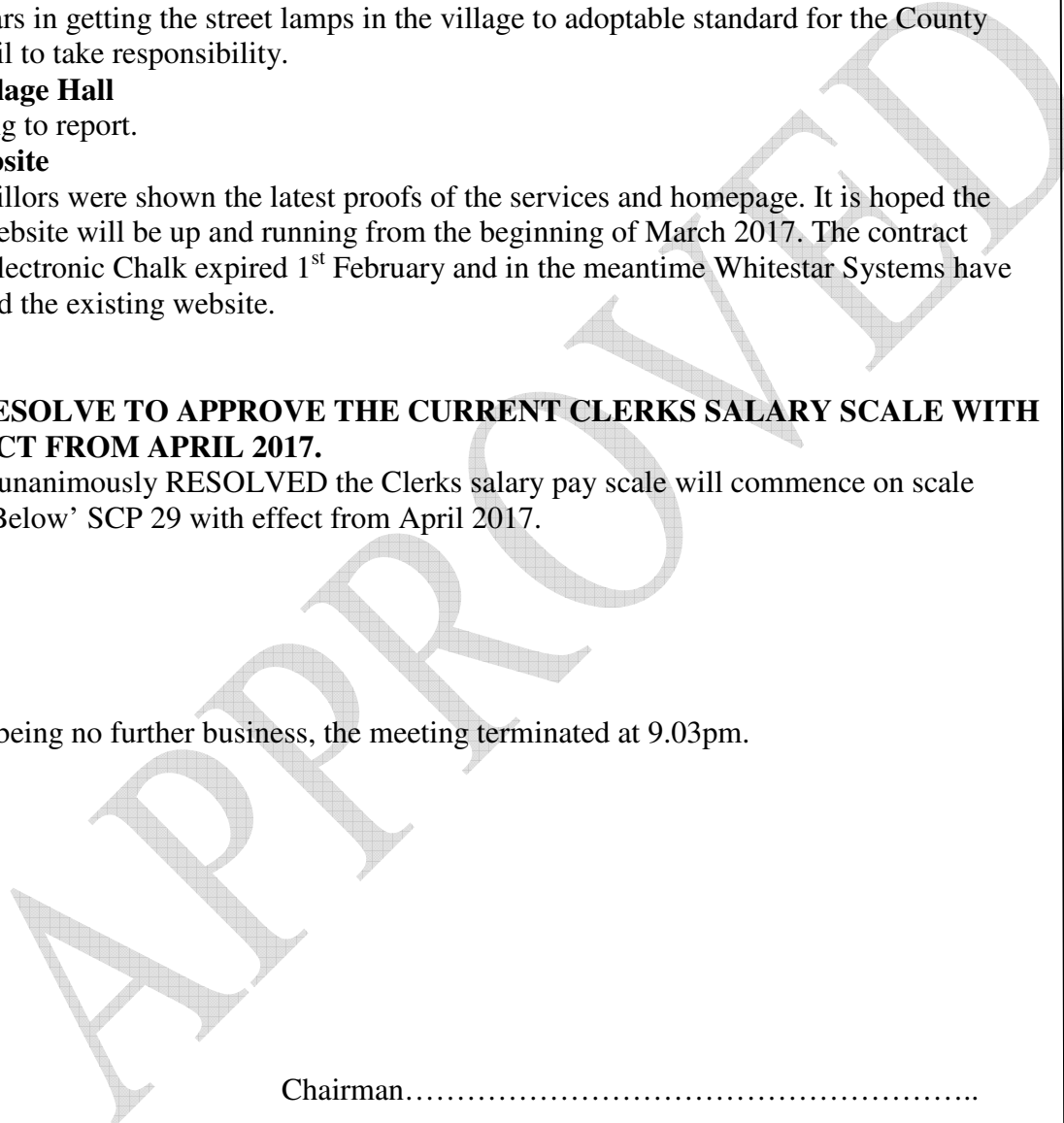
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**TO RESOLVE TO APPROVE THE CURRENT CLERKS SALARY SCALE WITH EFFECT FROM APRIL 2017.**

It was unanimously RESOLVED the Clerks salary pay scale will commence on scale 'LC2 Below' SCP 29 with effect from April 2017.

There being no further business, the meeting terminated at 9.03pm.

Chairman.....



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