

## WOLLASTON PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2018, AT THE OASIS, HIGH STREET, WOLLASTON

## ACTION

**PRESENT:** Councillors Alms, Alvis, A Bailey (Chairman), P Bailey, Fowler, Goldsmith, MacKenzie, Milroy, Mitchell, Rooney, Savage and Simmons.  
Mrs A Young (Clerk).

**IN ATTENDANCE:** No members of the public in attendance.

**18/097**

**APOLOGIES RECEIVED**

Councillor Tyrrell.

**18/098**

**DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

None.

**18/099**

**MINUTES**

It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council, held on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2018, were read and to be signed as a correct record.

**18/100**

**POLICE REPORT**

Councillor MacKenzie reported there had been a number of burglaries to unattended vehicles. For information, Councillor MacKenzie agreed to look at costs and implications of the Parish Council funding a PCSO.

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**18/101**

**CLERKS REPORT**

- Hinwick Road – tree outside 141 and uneven footpath. Issue ongoing to determine who is responsible – Wellingborough Homes have admitted responsibility for the footpath and have advised their maintenance team of the problem.
- The Royal British Legion Silent Soldier Silhouette was not delivered. The Clerk has had nil response to emails and voicemail messages. It was agreed the Clerk should continue trying to make contact and arrange for the £250.00 to be refunded.
- The new battery for the portable vehicle activated speed sign is working, therefore no new charger is required.
- The Governors of Wollaston School wrote to thank the Parish Council for their positive comments in relation to their proposed multi-academy trust.
- The Methodist Church wish to thank the Parish Council for the Day Care grant they received.
- Website - it was agreed £270.00 would be put in the 2019/20 budget for a ‘gallery’ section on the Parish Council website for residents to send in photographs they take around the Parish.

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Budget

**18/102  
FINANCE**

- **Payments for authorisation.** It was RESOLVED to approve the following payments for November 2018:

A M YOUNG	1089.03
HMRC	160.70
NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL	400.04
HAYESWOOD LANDSCAPES	2029.90
OXFORD INNOVATION LTD	347.76
EON	18.25
WHITESTAR SYSTEMS LTD	25.00
WELLINGBOROUGH NORSE LTD	32.04
RUSHDEN GRAPHICS	30.00
WELLINGBOROUGH NORSE LTD	399.00
SUTCLIFFE PLAY	1035.67
BLESMA	87.67
ROYAL BRITISH LEGION	87.67

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- **Re-investment of £75,000 reserves.** The one year fixed saver account has now matured, giving interest of £562.50. The monies, including interest, have been re-invested in a 95 day notice Nationwide account that gives 1.10% interest.
- **Budget setting meeting.** This is scheduled for 13<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm.

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**18/103  
PLANNING**

- a) Applications  
Outstanding application status:

APPLICATION NO.	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	P C RESPONSE TO BCW	STATUS
WP/18/00702/REM	36a Windmill Close	Reserved matters application pursuant to condition 1 (landscaping)	NO OBJECTIONS	Pending.
WP/18/00689/FUL	22 The Heathers	Change of use/conversion of health club to 4 no. one bedroom flats	NO OBJECTIONS	Pending.
WP/18/00681/LBC	Wollaston House, 51 High Street	Listed Building consent for the erection of a pool house with a basement, terrace, external staircase and roof lantern above within the curtilage of a listed building and including hard and soft landscaping works.	NO OBJECTIONS	Pending.

WP/18/00680/FUL	Wollaston House, 51 High Street	Erection of a pool house with a basement, terrace, external staircase and roof lantern above within the curtilage of a listed building and including hard and soft landscaping works.	NO OBJECTIONS	Pending.
WP/18/00685/FUL	100 Eastfield Road	Demolition of existing garden room, part of store and w.c. Proposed single storey rear extensions to kitchen and dining room and rear of garage, re-modelling and single storey front extension to garage.	NO OBJECTIONS	Pending.
WP/18/00596/PAP	27-37 Eastfield Rd	Notification for prior approval for a change of use of part of the building from storage and distribution to 6 residential units	OBJECTIONS REGARDING LACK OF PARKING. BCW REFUSING AS IN SCOTT BADER H&S ZONE.	Refused.
WP/18/00415/FUL	26 Thrift Street	Demolition of conservatory. Proposed single storey rear side extension, partial building up of first floor rear projection and a second storey flat roofed extension and the conversion of the loft and side dormer extension.	Site viewing requested as many amendments have been received and difficult to ascertain the scale.	Permitted.

## ACTION

b) Any other planning business

- **Draft Housing Needs Survey.** The Borough Council of Wellingborough have sent the draft report through and the contents were noted.

**18/104****REPORTS OF THE BOROUGH/COUNTY COUNCILLORS**

- **Borough** – Nothing to report.
- **County** – Nothing to report.

**18/105****REPORTS OF WORKING PARTIES/COMMITTEES****a) Environmental & Highways.**

Report below from Councillor Mitchell:

**£50,000 joint funding project with NCC Highways.**

All the work is complete and as soon as Ben Wright has signed off all the relevant invoices he will provide us with a breakdown of the overall costs of resurfacing and the traffic management charges.

A resident has reported poor drainage and standing water at the South Street/Queens Road junction. When we get the next downpour Ben Wright will investigate and report back.

**Hardwater Road Bridge**

Works will commence on Nov 26<sup>th</sup>. After lobbying a small allocation of funding is being made available to make some patching to the road whilst the road is closed.

**Government funding**

Additional Central Government funding for highways was announced in the budget. According to the media about £6 million will be allocated to Northamptonshire but Ben Wright informs us that it takes time for these matters to filter through the system and he will update us in due course. End of report.

Councillor Savage advised he had cutback brambles on to the footpath near the bridge at the playing field. He also informed Councillor Goldsmith there is ivy on the bridge from his field that will need cutting back.

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**b) Street lighting**

Cllr Savage reported the street lamps on Windmill Close are still not all working, the Clerk will report to Wellingborough Homes again.

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Two lamps in Feast Field Close are not working – Councillor Savage has reported them.

**c) Cemetery**

Remembrance Day. All went well this year with an approximate 300 people in attendance. The Chairman advised that one resident on Monks Road had gained permission from Wellingborough Norse to have a gate installed from the cemetery into their garden – the work has been carried out by Norse. Members of the Council agreed that this should be a one-off and not set a precedent.

**d) Footpaths**

Councillor Alms proposed that Green Lane should not be open to any traffic as it causes damage to the surface that the County Council has to maintain. The Clerk will contact Northamptonshire County Council to ascertain the process to get the status of Green Lane altered.

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**e) Playing Field & Parks**

(see minutes below of meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> November).

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Payments made since the last meeting: £17.38 EON for floodlight charges, £26.70 Wellingborough Norse for wheelie bin emptying, £332.50 Norse for dog bin emptying/litter bin emptying and litter picking, £450.00 Hayeswood for hedge and bramble trimming, £25.00 Rushden Graphics for 3 x signs.

The budget for 2019/2020 will need to be looked at in the next week or so – Mr Savage will gain a price for upgrading the multi-courts floodlights and the tree audit fees will also need to be incorporated.

**PLAY EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

Mr Savage handed the reports to the Clerk.

The two ‘no commercial users’ signs are now in place and the replacement sign for St Mary’s is ready for collection – Mr Savage to collect. The daisy spring equipment needs one of the handles repairing – Mr Savage to organise.

**POCKET PARK**

A local student has volunteered to do some tidying as part of her duties to complete her Duke of Edinburgh award – Clerk to liaise.

**SPORTS ASSOCIATION REPORT**

The jogging club has paid for their floodlight usage for the season.

Mr Green advised that the first team and reserves are doing well at football. Looking to stop training for a time over winter to allow pitches to re-cooperate. Bottom pitch still has some cracks but getting better and still safe to play on.

Mr Silsby advised the County League may have some funding to assist with groundwork as still major cracks to be filled – the League are reviewing the grounds in February 2019.

**PURCHASES REQUIRED**

The tractor shed will need rebuilding in the near future as single skin and bowing at the top due to heavy doors – Mr Silsby & Mr Green will try to get some plans drawn up as the building should also be moved away from the brook. A line-marker is still required at a cost of approximately £600.00.

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

Mr Silsby advised that the Environment Agency had been in contact as some youths had poured paint into the brook – this situation has now been dealt with and the Environment Agency are happy with the outcome. **(End of playing field minutes.)**

**f) Village Hall**

LED lights have been fitted in The Oasis. The outside lights have been fixed.

**g) Youth Group**

Numbers are increasing.

There being no further business, the meeting terminated at 8.16pm.

Chairman.....

