

# WISSETT PARISH COUNCIL

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**MINUTES OF THE WISSETT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 16<sup>th</sup>  
January 2020 AT 7.30PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

**PRESENT:** Hannah Pretty, Matthew Wetmore, Frank Burton, Camilla Prior, Beryl Matthews, Paul Parry

**APOLOGIES:** Geoffrey Kiddy, Cllr. Alison Cackett

**NOT PRESENT:**

**ALSO PRESENT:** Bill Simpson (Parish Clerk), Cllr. Tony Goldson, 2 Members of the public

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

None declared

**MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON 21<sup>st</sup> November 2019:**

Minutes of the meeting were signed as true copies.

**REQUEST FOR DISPENSATIONS.**

None received

**REPORTS:**

The VAS equipment was in use during December

Village Hall Repairs-Work on the roof and floor now completed. A new front door and frame has been installed. New windows are being made and expected to be installed early this year. The replacement gothic window is due to be made and should be installed in the Spring. The Trustees are reviewing the need for a French drain around the hall, a new shed and new guttering. A decision on these is subject to forthcoming revised budget estimates. The Xmas dinner raised £838.00. Fundraising now totals £14,618 and there is still a potential shortfall of £2,400. Are in the process of registering with the Charity Commission and HMRC for gift aid.

Village Sign. Carving has started and 'photos will be provided soon. Once complete, painting can start, when we will be given a better indication of completion date. Still a question as to if the existing post can be used or if a new one should be arranged.

Paths at Brickhill Cottages. The filling of the potholes by the Housing department at SCC has still not been done but they are now seeking estimates. Initial quote was for £6,000 so they are asking for alternative quotes. Clerk to progress for response and enquire about possible disabled access once done.

Bus service to Halesworth finished 25/9/19. District Councillors and local MP are still trying to arrange meeting to discuss possible solutions.

Clerk advised on the possible planning breaches within the conservation area:

Planning received on the windows at 5 The Street and responses regarding the caravans behind The Plough accepted by the Parish Council as acceptable.

Repainting the bridge railings at Lodge Lane. No more quotes received and decided to defer until after joint Parishes meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> February.

Beryl Matthews and Tony Goldson updated the meeting with information from the joint Parishes meeting held in December.

**PLANNING APPLICATIONS/DECISIONS:**

DC/19/4590/FUL 5 The Street Install 4 wood windows to replace UPVC

There were no objections.

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It was decided to defer decision on repainting the bridge railings at Lodge Lane until after the next Joint Parishes meeting.

It was resolved to add to the 2020/2021 budget the sum of £500 from reserves, subject to a further contribution from District Council, as fund for village works not being funded by SCC. A list of such works should be available after the Joint Parishes meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> February.

It was resolved to defer the final acceptance of a donation from a Parishioner of a commemorative bench for the Village Field until such time that a site meeting can be arranged to determine a suitable aesthetic location and installation requirements can be confirmed.

### FINANCE:

The Village Asset Register was reviewed.

The budget for the year 2019-2020 was reviewed.

### ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

Duncan & Son (Southwold) Ltd	Village Hall repairs	£15,029.06
EON	Field electric	£30.70
SES Business Water	Water charges Nov 19	£5.41
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All were approved and cheques signed.

### INCOME RECIEVED:

Interest on premium account	£13.43
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Account balances at 10<sup>th</sup> January – Current £662.51 - Deposit £11,956.54

### CORRESPONDENCE/CIRCULARS:

Various circulars were shown with no actions required.

### MATTERS TO BE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE COUNCIL;

Flooding road near the Vineyards has not improved. Cllr. Tony Goldson had site meeting with Highways who requested the ditch is cleared before they will take any action. Clerk and Frank Burton to attend location on 17/1 to assist.

Village footpath No.6 on The Street (from opposite Bonds Farm entrance to around Ash Tree Farm) is completely overgrown and unusable. SCC are reluctant to remedy this due to budget cuts. Clerk to ask residents if would be used before we pursue the matter further.

A member of the public asked about the Sizewell project and the forthcoming screening of a film regarding this. Camilla Prior said she would attend and report. A member of the public mentioned the “Terracycle” scheme and asked for it to be republished to Parishioners.

Clerk was asked to remind Parishioners of the mobile library service.

A quantity of trees has been planted on the Village Field.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at 7:30pm.

Meeting closed at 9.20pm