

WISSETT PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE WISSETT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY
21st January 2016 AT 7.30PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

**PRESENT: Hannah Pretty (Chairman), Matthew Wetmore (Vice Chairman),
Andrew Howlett, Paul Parry, Geoffrey Kiddy, Camilla Prior.**

APOLOGIES: Julian Harris

NOT PRESENT: Representative from the Police,

**ALSO PRESENT: Bill Simpson (Parish Clerk), Tony Goldson (County
Councillor), and David Ritchie (District Councillor).**

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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None

**MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON 19th November 2015:
Minutes of this meeting were signed as a true copy.**

**CO-OPTION OF PROSPECTIVE COUNCILLOR:
Camilla Prior accepted and duly signed the acceptance of office in the
presence of the Clerk.**

**REQUEST FOR DISPENSATIONS.
One was discussed and decided to dismiss.**

**REPORTS:
There was no report received from the Police.**

**David Ritchie reported that financial pressures continue with further
reductions in the future. Reorganisation and partnerships are being looked at
to save money, along with possible merger of Waveney with Suffolk Coastal.**

**Tony Goldson reported the Women's Cycling Tour will go through Halesworth
in June 2016.**

**VAS signs due back to Wissett in April & September 2016.
Tony Goldson advised still waiting on reply regarding funds from the Police
Commissioner for additional VAS's for the District and that another 2 Parishes
may join the scheme.**

**Details of 5 volunteers for the Community Speed Watch program have been
submitted by the Clerk. Tony Goldson advised that the speed guns previously
purchased by him have been located at Wrentham and Reydon.**

**Hedges on the Street have been cut from Mill Road to the gas works. Clerk to
ask when the rest will be done, and to see if they will be topped as well.
Also to ask how often the hedges and verges will be cut by SCC in the future.**

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Clerk to obtain second quote from Solicitors for the registration of the land near Rumburgh and submit to the Council for authorisation.

There were no changes to the list of Village responsibilities.

No further action on the access to the car park not on our land as the pot holes have been filled.

A list of volunteers has been submitted to SCC for the use of the salt / grit bins. They are now covered by SCC third party volunteer insurance. Clerk to add Matthew Wetmore to the list.

Clerk to obtain price for a new bin to be located on the Village car park.

Mud on the road in Grays Lane has now been cleaned away. No further action.

SALC THE LOCAL COUNCILLOR PUBLICATION: None received.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS/DECISIONS:

DC/15/4654/VOC – Variation on conditions 1 & 2 of DC/15/3264/VOC & Variation of Conditions 2 & 10 of DC/12/1119/FUL– Solar Farm, Bonners Farm, Mill Rd. Was agreed by the Council and has been confirmed by WDC.

FINANCE:

The Village Asset Register was reviewed. No changes since November.

The Precept and Budget was reviewed and accepted by the Parish Council.

The precept for 2015-2016 has been submitted to WDC.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

J S Harris	Trench & hole for field light	£195.00
Mr W Simpson	Expenses	£34.36
EON	DD for field electricity	£27.47

Were all approved for payment.

Account balances at 8th January – Current £4,270.51 Deposit £7,334.49

TO CONSIDER ACTIONS TO KEEP THE BECK CLEAR

Paul Parry reported to the Council that the Environment Agency, who were due to work on the Beck on 16th November, then December, has now said it will be done in January. If not done, Clerk to write and register concerns.

TO CONSIDER COMMUNICATION FROM LIGHTSOURCE:

The deed of offer for Community Benefit and the Bribery Act 2010 Compliance Form from Light Source regarding the solar farm were read and accepted by the Council. Forms were signed by the Chairman and witnessed by the Clerk.

CORRESPONDENCE/CIRCULARS:

Were looked at with no comments arising other than;

A letter received from Suffolk Constabulary advising of changes to the local policing model. It offered towns and parishes the option to fund a PCSO. The Council decided not to take this offer up at this stage.

MATTERS TO BE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE COUNCIL;

A complaint regarding the condition of the access to the Village car park has been made. Council are to consider concrete or tarmac finish to the entrance area at next meeting.

The light in the Village car park needs to be checked for operation, and still need to consider a lower level light to illuminate the entrance.

Matthew Wetmore will make enquiries as to if the current landowner would consider selling the land adjacent to the Village Field and car park to the Parish Council.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Thursday 17th march 2016 at 7:30pm

Meeting closed at 9.30pm

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