

WISSETT PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE WISSETT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 21st November 2019 AT 7.30PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT: Hannah Pretty, Matthew Wetmore, Geoffrey Kiddy, Frank Burton, Camilla Prior, Beryl Matthews

APOLOGIES: Paul Parry

NOT PRESENT: Cllr. Alison Cackett

ALSO, PRESENT: Bill Simpson (Parish Clerk), Tony Goldson, 0 Members of the public

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None declared

MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON 19th September 2019:

Minutes of the meeting were signed as true copies.

REQUEST FOR DISPENSATIONS.

None received

REPORTS:

The VAS equipment will be back in use for December.

Village Hall Repairs- The crack in the concrete floor has now been repaired with epoxy resin and the tiles relayed. The external crack in the wall, opposite the church, has been repaired with reinforcing bars inserted into the brickwork. Waiting for the same procedure to be completed on the Beck side of the building. A new front door/frame and new fire exit door/frame have been made and will probably be installed some time before Christmas. New windows are in the process of being made and will be installed at some point in the Spring when weather conditions are suitable. Fund raising is progressing well but with an estimated shortfall currently of £3.220.00. The next fund-raising event is the Christmas Dinner/Tree Lights on 7th December for which all tickets have now been sold. Received £480 from Adnams Community Trust towards the cost of making and installing the replica 'gothic' window in the kitchen.

Village Sign. The oak board has now been prepared and is in the process of drawing up to enable the carving to take place. Once done, painting can start. 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 and no reply to requests for updates. 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 but elections have affected. Clerk advised still no response for update of possible planning breaches within the conservation area despite several requests. Consideration is being given to ask if the Design & Conservation team at East Suffolk Council may assist in asking the planning department to look into the matter. To continue asking for response.

Repainting the bridge railings at Lodge Lane. Quote of £220 received, further quote being sought. Clerk to ask highways if colour can be changed. Cost to be added to 2020/2021 budget.

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Tony Goldson updated the meeting with activities, including a budget being made available to him specifically for Rural Isolation within his area. There is a joint Parishes meeting due in December to discuss this and any other potential joint opportunities.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS/DECISIONS:

DC/19/3774/TCA Sandpit Cottage, Buntings Lane Works to trees.
There were no objections.

It was resolved to accept the proposed budget for 2020/2021
It was resolved to set the precept for 2020/2021 at £3,978.00

FINANCE:

The Village Asset Register was reviewed.
The budget for the year 2019-2020 was reviewed.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

Mr W Simpson	Clerks salary for 6 months	£594.78
SES Business Water	Water charges Sept 19	£4.16
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Waveney Norse Ltd	Grass and Ditch cutting	£390.00
EON	Field electricity	£27.45
Mr W Simpson	CAS Web hosting (paid via Paypal)	£60.00
IRD & PM Harris	Cutting grass on playing field	£396.00

All were approved and cheques signed.

INCOME RECIEVED:

East Suffolk Council	Second part of precept	£1,906.00
East Suffolk Council	CIL payment	£275.25
Norse Commercial	Donation for village litter pick	£20.00

Account balances at 8th November – Current £2159.28 - Deposit £26,943.11

CORRESPONDENCE/CIRCULARS:

Various circulars were shown with no actions required.

MATTERS TO BE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE COUNCIL;

Matthew Wetmore will isolate the water supply to the village field for winter.

EON will continue as electricity supplier to village field.

Meeting dates were confirmed as 3rd Thursday of odd months for 2020.

Wissett Conservation Area review was handed out and discussed.

New map of village footpaths was discussed, Clerk asked to check on them.

Xmas tree light are being checked for electrical safety on behalf of the Community Council / Village Hall Committee.

Flooding road near the Vineyards has been reported with Suffolk County Council advising unlikely to be resolved until 2021/2022 due to budget cuts.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Thursday 16th January 2020 at 7:30pm.

Meeting closed at 9.30pm