

WORTON PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 7 APRIL 2015, 8.30PM

THE VILLAGE HALL, HIGH STREET, WORTON

MINUTES

Present: Councillors: R Wilshire (Chairman); Mrs S Bonfield; Mr M Fisher; Mr W Francis; Mr D Johnson; Mr A Midgley; Mr M Rose; Mrs C Simpson.

Apologies: Mr R Goss; Mr R Gamble [WC].

Also present: 17 members of the public; Mr P Baxter (Clerk).

ACTION

15/16/001 Declarations of interest.

There were none.

15/16/002 Minutes of the last meeting

The Minutes of the last meeting **agreed** and signed by the Chairman.

15/16/003 Chairman's announcements

The Chairman invited Cllr Rose to present an update on the rollout of Superfast Broadband. Cllr Rose noted that a few properties were linked to Cabinet 3 in Potterne, which was outside the current Wiltshire Online programme. Further representations would be made to seek connection of these properties in the current programme. An article in The Bridge magazine would give advice as to how to find out to which cabinet a property is connected, and request that the information be provided to Cllr Rose to assist in making the case.

15/16/004 Public participation

A request was made for the provision of dog waste bins to be discussed at the next meeting, which was **agreed**. It was further **agreed** to review the matter of the Rose and Crown public house as an asset of community value at a future meeting, pending its current sale concluding.

15/16/005 Wiltshire Councillor's report

There was none.

15/16/006 Community Survey

Cllr Johnson reported that further work had been done on a draft survey now at version 6 as circulated. It was suggested that first draft results could be made available for the June meeting, and potentially for the May Annual Parish Meeting. Cllr Johnson proposed, seconded by Cllr Bonfield, and with all **agreed** that version 6, with one word added in the road safety question, be the final print version. The Clerk undertook to arrange printing of 750 copies.

15/16/007 Neighbourhood Planning

The success of the preceding public meeting was noted, and the survey now agreed would provide valuable data to inform a decision on whether to proceed with a neighbourhood plan or potentially another form of community-led plan approach. The need to resolve the Settlement Boundary and await the output of the proposed Development Plan Document from Wiltshire Council was **agreed**, as well as the need for further research on experiences of other villages and possible costs. It was **agreed** to review the information to be gathered at the September meeting of the Council.

15/16/008 Tree planting programme

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Cllr Bonfield reported that two applications had been received, which would not be sufficient to make a grant application viable. It was suggested that the village Gardening Club might take on the initiative, and Cllr Francis undertook to make enquires.

15/16/009 Financial statement 2014/15

The Responsible Financial Officer presented a report and accounts for 2014/15, which was noted.

15/16/010 Planning matters

The following decision was reported:

15/01288/TPO 11 Cedar Close – crown reduction to Hawthorn tree;
15/00528/TCA 65 High Street – tree works;
15/00693/TCA 41 High Street – tree works
All approved.

15/16/011 Disbursements

The following payments were authorised:

Chq	£
698 Wiltshire Council (Highways works)	5,442.25
699 P Baxter (expenses)	47.31
700 M Goddard and Sons (Grounds)	132.00

15/16/012 Correspondence received

The Clerk reported receipt of a copy letter addressed to Wiltshire Council Highways from Market Lavington Parish Council objecting to the planned 50mph speed limit on the C20 on grounds of value for money.

15/06/013 Date of next meeting

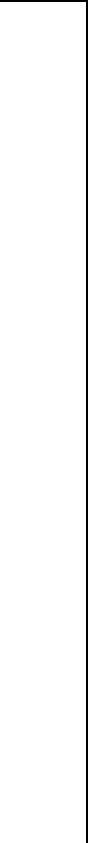
The next meeting was set for Wednesday 6 May 2015 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, noting that Bank Holiday Monday has affected the normal schedule. The date of the Annual Parish Meeting was **agreed** for Thursday 28 May at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

15/06/014 Items of Maintenance

Cllr Johnson requested that the next streetscene co-ordinator visit be commenced at the eastern end of the village. Cllr Simpson undertook to bring forward work on developing a flood preparedness scheme.

15/16/015 Key Messages

It was **agreed** that the tree programme, solar farm update, Village Hall funding, community survey, Neighbourhood Planning update, and requests for inclusion in an email contact



database to be sent to Cllr Rose be included in an article for the Bridge magazine, to be prepared by Cllr Simpson.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm Signed Chairman, 6 May 2015