

WORTON PARISH COUNCIL
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 7 December 2015, 7.30PM
THE VILLAGE HALL, WORTON
MINUTES

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

Apologies: Cllr Gamble

Also present: 7 members of the public; Cllr P Salaman [Marston PC]; Mrs E Read (Clerk).

15/16/143 Apologies for absence

Cllr Gamble

15/16/144 Declarations of interest

Cllr Johnson – items 7 and 9

Cllr Goss - Item 9

Cllr Francis - Item 9

15/16/145 The minutes of the last meeting of the Council

The minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman

15/16/146 Chairman's announcements

The Mill Race footpath is still unchanged, it was agreed to put the footpath back six foot from the edge of the Mill Race. Also the chairman had a meeting regarding the Joiners Lane footpath and the Council agreed to put in road planings on the path and a narrow bridge across the ford.

15/16/147 Public participation on matters set out below – for up to fifteen minutes, three minutes per person. [Note: this item is only for questions or representations addressed to the Council on any matter set out below and is the only opportunity for such at this meeting. New business cannot be raised but should be requested for a future agenda to a councillor or Clerk to the Council outside this meeting].

There were some questions regarding the Councillors opinions of the meeting on the 23rd of November.

15/16/148 Wiltshire Councillor's report

Cllr Gamble was unable to attend the meeting

15/16/149 Whatleys – nursery school application – to consider in principle.

The applicants had circulated some plans to the Council before the meeting. The Council established that the nursery cannot use the village hall, due to not enough outdoor space nor enough time is available. The school has given the project total backing, but WC are yet to confirm an answer.

The proposal includes siting a temporary building on the Whatleys play area, to operate a nursery 08.00 to 18.00 all year round. Car parking area will be put by the mobile classroom, through access already present. The mains will be accessible from the mobile, and a soakaway put in for water off the roof of the mobile classroom. Traffic will be managed by 8.00, 13.00 and 18.00 drop off/pick up. Advice will be sought from WC regarding traffic management. This will be one of two feeder nurseries to the Five Lanes School.

There will need to be a formal planning application, and any permission would be subject to an application being received. The decision in principle was unanimously agreed, the clients were asked to apply for planning permission.

15/16/150 Worton and Marston relationship – report on meeting with Marston - Cllr Bonfield

To put forward ideas as to how to improve the relationship between Worton and Marston, these were agreed.

Agreed the following points:

Work on good relationship going forward.

Cllr Bonfield to circulate list

Clerk to find out Marston dates and provide Worton with our dates. The Council acknowledged the agreement

15/16/152 Bus stop maintenance by Village Hall – to consider a quote for works

£80+VAT has been quoted for the ivy to be killed with weedkiller. The Council **agreed** to the expenditure. Look for volunteers to care for the bus shelters. RW to contact Mark Goddard.

15/16/153 Playground maintenance at Sandlease – to consider a quote for works

RW to have a word with WC regarding the concrete in the gateway. Await quote.

15/16/154 Finance – to consider the 2016/17 draft budget and reduction to Wiltshire Council support grant.

Clerk to find out how much salt bins are. Permission to put them at the top of Gaisford Chase and Sandlease. Ten black recycling boxes with lids from Wiltshire Council to help distribute sandbags and gel packs.

15/16/155 Planning matters – to receive those decisions notified and to consider and decide any that are received before the meeting

No planning applications have been received.

15/16/156 Disbursements

Village Hall £8361.07 +VAT (check with Veronica regarding if the grant is net or gross and the situation regarding the VAT on the £5000 Viridor money)

E Read salary £328.69

E Read expenses and allowance backlog £95.31

15/16/157 Future agenda item planning

Budget and precept

SIDs

Playground review responses

SHLAA site response pending what is decided regarding the NP

Dog poo

Data protection

Insurance implications of volunteers doing more around the village

15/16/158 Date of next meeting (agreed to change the meeting to Monday 11 January 2016)

15/16/159 Items of maintenance (for information or the next agenda)

15/16/151 To decide on next steps following the Community Meeting on 23rd November

The Council were convinced that a neighbourhood Plan would be the right decision for Worton, however they hold some reservations over the number of volunteers required for such a large undertaking. The Council agreed to pursue a Neighbourhood Plan. **Agreed** in principle to have a steering group and it is delegated to the 3 cllrs (CS, MF and SB) and 4 parishioners to develop Terms of Reference. These will be brought back to the January meeting. In the meantime they intend to put notes through every letterbox to seek volunteers and have a meeting in the New Year.

15/16/160 Key messages.

Bus shelter maintenance.

Vacancy

NP article steering group – looking for volunteers and leaflet drop

Meeting close 9.20

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