

WORTON PARISH COUNCIL
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 1 JUNE 2015, 7.30PM
THE VILLAGE HALL, HIGH STREET, WORTON

MINUTES

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

Apologies: Mrs S Bonfield; Mr D Johnson; Mr M Rose; Mr R Goss;

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

15/16/043 Declarations of interest.

There were none.

15/16/044 Minutes of the last meeting

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

15/16/045 Confirmation of Clerks Appointment

Cllr Midgley proposed and Cllr Simpson seconded the official appointment of the clerk. The clerk and the Chairman signed the contract of employment. A delegated authority was **agreed** for Cllrs Midgley and Wilshire to sign a standing order outside a meeting for clerks pay.

15/16/046 Chairman's announcements

Cllr Wilshire confirmed that Cllr Rose has stepped down from the traffic group.

15/16/047 Public participation

A request was made for the agenda item regarding Village Hall financial support to be brought forward in the agenda, this was **agreed**. There was a query regarding the type and quality of analysis for the community survey. It was confirmed that the plan is for a consultant to be engaged at the cost of £400 to undertake the work to a high standard as has been previously demonstrated and for this to be concluded by the end of June. The survey results would then be available on the website and a copy available to each household.

15/16/048 Village Hall Financial Support

There was a discussion between the Council and Cllr Salaman from Marston Parish Council regarding the proportional relationship between the contributions to the refurbishment of the hall from the two councils. It was **agreed** that the Worton Parish Council and the Marston Parish Council would seek to agree on a ratio of contributions between the two councils. Cllr Francis agreed to research the electoral rolls of the two communities and to use this as the basis of future funding.

15/16/049 Community survey – to approve the engagement of a consultancy for analysis of responses (Cllr Johnson).

This was **agreed** and the cost is expected to be £400. Cllr Midgely and Cllr Fisher proposed and seconded all agreed. Clerk to post box of survey results to the consultant.

15/16/050 Tree planting – to further consider policy and procedure for a community tree planting programme (Cllr Bonfield)

Cllr Bonfield was not available to speak to this item, however Lt Col Slack was able to update the council that there are grants available for tree planting.

15/16/051 Flood response preparations – to consider the Wiltshire Council Parish Emergency Assistance Scheme (Cllr Simpson).

Cllr Simpson updated the council regarding the Wiltshire Council PEAS project. She is looking for volunteers and a place to store a large bag of sand and sandbags in an accessible but dry space. Training will be provided to volunteers regarding how to correctly fill and place the sandbags when full.

15/16/052 Broadband – to receive a report on enquiries made with regard to the provision of superfast broadband to those properties connected to Cabinet 3 (Cllr Rose).

Report received from Cllr Rose regarding Broadband issues in the village. Cllr Rose to contact Clare Perry MP regarding the move from cabinet 3 to cabinet 21.

15/16/053 Litter and dog waste bin – to receive a response to request made of Wiltshire Council

The Council received a report from Wiltshire Council regarding dog waste bins. The Council now seeks for dog waste to be put in any bin, and they are no longer providing specific dog waste bins. The number of bins in a community is set, but provided a suitable location can be found, the bins may be moved to where the community feel they will be of most benefit. It was **agreed** to move the bin which is currently on a telegraph pole at the entrance to Sandlease be moved nearer to the play area gate.

15/16/054 Sandlease play area – to accept quotation and commission repairs to equipment.

The Council considered the quote for works on the playground equipment, and subject to

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reassurance that the new back boards for the climbing walls would be made of material which was stable in sunlight and did not peel the Council **agreed** to the expenditure. Proposed by Cllr Midgely and seconded by Cllr Francis

15/16/055 Planning matters – to receive those decisions notified and to consider the following applications:

The Council considered [15/03018/FUL](#) - revised plan - manege, Joiners Lane; no objection.

Since the call for this meeting, a new planning application had come through from Sandling regarding tree works. Cllrs Simpson and Wilshire **agreed** to go to look at the tree works to inform a decision.

15/06/056 Grant request – to consider a grant request from Woodborough House to fund provision of “Concealed Entrance” sign (Road Safety Strategy 2013 refers).

Representation was made to the Council regarding the purchase of a “Concealed Entrance” sign by Woodborough House. As this was mentioned in the Road Safety Strategy 2013, and the resident was happy to have the sign on his land and to liaise with Highways regarding this, a grant of up to £60 towards the sign and post was **agreed**.

15/06/057 Wiltshire Councillor Report

Richard Gamble spoke to the meeting regarding the Area Board meeting on the 27th of July, recommending this as a good way to meet local police representatives as they are now not able to attend meetings. He is also continuing to work on the right of way by the Mill Stream and hopes to have a formal re-route agreement soon.

15/16/058 Disbursements

The following disbursements were authorised:

Chq No	£
706 Alphaprint APM printing	5.00
707 Mark Goddard Landscaping	528.00
708 CPRE 0 subsistence at AGM	10.00
709 CPRE subs for 2015/16	29.00
710 Kennet Sign and Display	19.99

15/16/059 Correspondence

15/16/060 Agenda Items

PEAS on the agenda for a future meeting regarding sandbags
Tree planting
Date for the volunteer meeting in September if not agreed before
Worton and Marston populations’ comparison

15/16/061 Key Messages

Dog poo into any bin – change in policy from Wiltshire Council
Dates for volunteer meetings in September and October
Tree Scheme
Mill Stream – re-route of footpath for two years, subject to formal agreement, with thanks to Edna Fray.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm Signed Chairman, 6 July 2015

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