**WIMBOTSHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 21st August 2012 at 7.30pm**

**In Attendance**: Councillors: Anne Smith(Chair), Dana Frost, Simon Bates, David Fendley, Brian Baylis and 2 members of the public. Clerk – Pippa Winson

1. **To consider apologies for absence.**

Apologies received from J. Squires, D. Long and M. Burton

1. **To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 3rd July 2012.**

Having been circulated prior to the meeting, the minutes were accepted and signed as a true and accurate record by all present at the meeting.

1. **To record Councillors’ declarations of interest on Agenda Items.**

None.

1. **Police Update.**

None received.

1. **Accounts.**

Accounts for period to 31st July 2012 circulated and approved. Bank Statements made available for inspection. Mazaars have contacted the clerk in respect of the level of reserves held but they were advised that £5,000 has since been paid to the Recreation Ground.

1. **Public Speaking.**

None.

1. **Matters arising for items not covered elsewhere on the agenda – info only.**

Dangerous Tree at Turners Close still not been cut away from power lines.

1. **Highways - note matters to be reported to highways and receive updates.**

Clerk has arranged a meeting with Andy Wallace (NCC Highways) at 10.30am on 10th September 2012. Details to be circulated to all councillors for those available to attend. D. Frost agreed to meet with the Highway Rangers this week, clerk to contact them again to arrange. No further works to be added to list already sent to Highways.

1. **Speedwatch – to receive update.**

On proposal from S. Bates and seconded by D. Frost it was agreed to purchase the 30 posts from Stoke Ferry Timber at a cost of £59.00 + V.A.T and delivery. Posts to be delivered to D. Long. Clerk to get costs for flashing speed signs.

1. **Delivering local highway improvements – to receive update.**

Letter sent to owner L. Padula but no response to date. W. Lee has advised that they wish to wait for the decision on their development proposal before they commit to the project.

1. **Dog Waste bins – to discuss and receive any update.**

New dog bin has been delivered and installed at the junction of Millers Lane and Lynn Road. Bins being emptied regularly. B. Baylis expressed thanks for the quick delivery and installation of the bin.

1. **Village Hall – to decide on any further action to be taken.**

No further contact from the landowners. M. Burton not present so he is unable to confirm whether the village hall committee have had any contact.

1. **Village Sign repairs – decision to be made on action to be taken.**

On proposal from S. Bates and seconded by D. Fendley it was agreed that Paul Goodrum would undertake the works to varnish the village sign, replace the rotten part of sign and turn it around.

1. **Village Green – to discuss and agree proposal for removal of a tree.**

On proposal from S. Bates and seconded by D. Frost it was agreed to obtain quotes for the removal of the two middle trees on the green. Quotes to be obtained from CGM, Acorn Tree Services and Boyd Willett of Denver.

1. **Public Rights of Way – to discuss and agree any action to be taken.**

Meeting with NCC on 10th September 2012. NCC to be contacted to ask whether they would pay any monies to the Parish Council if they cut the public rights of way.

1. **Grass cutting – to discuss and agree any action to be taken.**

CGM contract runs until 2014. CGM to be written to as it is not felt that Recreation Ground is cut to ‘playing field standard’ as in the contract.

1. **Representatives Reports – receive updates.**

 **Recreation Ground**

 S. Bates advised that the play equipment has now been installed.

 **Village Hall**

 The village hall has been decorated.

 **Village Green**

 Trees discussed at previous agenda item.

 **Footpaths**

 Already discussed under highways and public rights of way.

 **Parish Plan**

 J. Squires not present.

 **100 Acre Trust**

 M. Burton not present.

 **Southern Area Road Safety Committee**

 M. Burton not present.

 **Allotments**

 Water supply now connected.

 **SNAP**

J. Squires not present.

1. **Newsletter – to receive update.**

B. Baylis has now taken over the newsletter. He has had a few I.T. problems. Next issue due out soon. The following issue will be in October.

1. **Oil Consortium – to discuss and agree any further action.**

J. Squires not present. Item for next agenda.

1. **Planning - comment on any planning applications submitted.**

Planning decision notice received for 88 West Way – application approved.

1. **Finance – update and agree cheques to be signed and payments to be made.**

Agreed cheques to be signed and payments to be made.

1. **CPRE – agree attendees for ‘Protect our Footpaths’ workshop.**

D. Frost, S. Bates & Clerk to attend. J. Squires already attending.

1. **Correspondence in circulation.**

Corn Exchange Pantomime V.I.P invite.

Albanwise – development proposals.

KOMPAN – information.

Norfolk RCC Newsletter.

CPRE – newsletter.

Clerks & Councils Direct Magazine.

NALC – Norfolk Link.

KL Magazine – village sign article.

1. **To receive items for next meeting agenda.**

S. Bates advised that there would be a formal opening of the recreation ground play equipment in the next few months. Parish Council to be invited.

Public Rights of Way.

1. **To confirm the date and time of the next meeting – Tuesday October 2nd 2012 at 7.30pm.** December meeting to be 18th December subject to availability.

Meeting closed 8.40pm.

Chairman: Date: