**WIMBOTSHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 9th October 2012 at 7.30pm**

**In Attendance**: Councillors: Anne Smith(Chair), Jackie Squires, Dana Frost, David Fendley, Mac Burton, Brian Baylis and 1 member of the public. Clerk – Pippa Winson

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

Apologies received from D.Long and S.Bates

1. **To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 21st August 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 30th September 2012 circulated and approved. Bank Statements and receipts/payments file made available for inspection. Mazars have now completed the external audit for the year ended 31st March 2012. It was agreed that the second Community and Savings Accounts would have their balances transferred to the main Community Account with a £10 balance to remain on each.

1. **Public Speaking.**

None.

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

None.

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

Meeting held with Andy Wallace from Highways on 10/9/12, clerk, B.Baylis and D.Frost were in attendance. They walked all the footpaths where there were issues. Clerk to contact A. Wallace to enquire when the footpath at the end of Tinkers Lane will be cleared. There are a number of hedges which are overgrown over the footpaths, it is believed that Stow Estates own the land. J.Squires and D.Frost attended the footpaths workshop. They asked the clerk to contact NCC to obtain a copy of Definitive Map of footpaths to obtain the footpath references.

J.Squires proposed that a community walk is organised to publicise the footpaths.

Outstanding highway issues are; the removed cats eyes on Lynn Road and the 30mph sign not replaced at the end of Westway.

An article is to be put in the newsletter to advise owners of their responsibility to cut overhanging trees and hedges from the highway.

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

An article is to be put in the newsletter asking for volunteers to set up the Community Speedwatch scheme in the village. Posts for speed limit signs to be delivered to D.Long.

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

Still no further response from Albanwise. Clerk to find out whether funding still available and if so ask Cllr.Rockcliffe for his support with Albanwise.

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

Clerk advised that a response had been received on behalf of Sir Ralph Hare Trust and they may be interested in selling the land. Clerk obtaining land valuations. On proposal from D.Fendley it was agreed to plan an open Parish Meeting for early next year. It is to be publicised in the newsletter.

1. **Village Green**

Quotes pending from tree surgeons. Application for consent for trees to be removed in a Conservation Area to be submitted.

1. **Overhanging branches on Church Road**

As previously discussed, an article is being produced for the newsletter.

1. **Bus Service Changes**

On proposal from B.Baylis and seconded by D.Fendley it was agreed to start a petition to be in the newsletter, pub, shop and village hall.

1. **Village Pub**

Fleurets, the Estate Agents, have advised that the parcel of land and outbuilding at the rear are excluded from the sale and that a residential scheme is being drawn up with the intention of seeking planning permission. Clerk to contact Stow Estate to confirm whether they own any of the land at the rear.

1. **Public Rights of Way**

Discussed previously at item 161/12.

1. **Representatives Reports**

 **Recreation Ground**

 Consideration being given to it being a designated dog-free zone.

 **Village Hall**

 None.

 **Village Green**

 None.

 **Footpaths**

 Already discussed under highways.

 **Parish Plan**

Several of the action points have been met, J.Squires to write article for newsletter to provide update.

 **100 Acre Trust**

 None. Next meeting in November.

 **Southern Area Road Safety Committee**

 None. No meetings planned.

 **Allotments**

 None.

 **SNAP**

Next meeting on 2/11/12 at Marham.

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

B. Baylis advised next issue due out soon.

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

None.

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. **Correspondence in circulation.**

Change to bin service letter – invite to meetings.

NALC – invite for 13th November 2012 at 2-4pm at Denver.

BCKLWN Standards Committee – nominations to join committee.

Norfolk Annual Preparedness Study Day invite.

NCC – Better Broadband update.

Clerks & Council’s Direct Newsletter.

NPFA Newsletter.

NALC – Annual Report & Seminar update.

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

Remembrance Day Memorial on 10th November at 10.30am.

Proposal to donate £500 to the Village Hall.

1. **To confirm the date and time of the next meeting – Tuesday 13th November 2012 at 7.30pm.**

Meeting closed 9.00pm.

Chairman: Date: