**WIMBOTSHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 10th December 2013 at 7.30pm**

 **In Attendance**: Councillors: Jackie Squires (Vice-Chair), Mac Burton, Ian Cable, David Fendley, Dana Frost, and 2 members of the public. Clerk – Pippa Winson

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

Apologies received from Anne Smith and Simon Bates. Jackie Squires acted as Chair for the meeting.

1. **To Consider Requests for Dispensations from the restriction on participating in the**

 **discussion or voting on a matter in which a member has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest.**

None to consider.

1. **To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 22nd October 2013.**

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.**

M. Burton declared an interest in Item 135/13 (vi)

1. **Police Update.**

None.

Clerk has contacted Runcton Holme Speedwatch Team and they are not interested in a joint team.

1. **Councillor Vacancy**

No applications to consider. One lady was interested but did not meet the criteria for co-option.

1. **Public Speaking.**

Thanks expressed for grit bins in the village.

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

Streetlight out at Napthans Lane, not under PC remit so has been reported to NCC.

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

None.

1. **Delivering local highway improvements**

Clerk to contact A Wallace (NCC) re area from Village Hall to Trod as this area seems to be incomplete. Also to ask whether this year’s funding would cover works/improvements to public rights of way/footpaths.

1. **Village Hall – to receive update.**

The next village hall committee meeting is in February so it was agreed to invite them to attend our March meeting. Clerk to contact William Esse again and ask for it to be added to agenda.

1. **Village Green Trees – to receive update and agree on works.**

None.

1. **Village Sign**

S Bates not present to give update.

1. **Speedwatch**

Sign storage – to see if there is room for these in the storage container. Look at putting signs up on Recreation Ground, Village Hall and Village Green.

1. **Buses**

Meeting with NCC to be on Friday 20th December at 9am. Concern about distance from bus stop to the other end of the village.

1. **Noticeboards**

No update.

1. **Representatives Reports**

**Recreation Ground** – None.

**Village Hall** – Already discussed.

 **Village Green** – Christmas Tree up. Donation given to pub for tree lights.

**Footpaths** – New trod needs to be included in cutting regime.

**Parish Plan** – None.

**100-Acre Trust** – D Frost has resigned from this committee. M Burton and his wife are also intending to resign so there will be three vacancies. It is preferable if one representative is from the Parish Council. To be advertised in the next newsletter. If no-one else forthcoming Ian will attend the February meeting.

**Allotments** – No update. Clerk to chase up rent payment.

1. **Newsletter**

No update.

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

Application ref 13/01724/F – Blackberry Cottage, 28 Millers Lane – Application supported.

1. **Finance – update and agree cheques to be signed and payments to be made.**
2. Agreed cheques to be signed and payments to be made.
3. Accounts for the period to 30th November 2013 agreed and signed.
4. **Councillors Concerns & Items for next meeting agenda**

Budget setting.

1. **Correspondence in circulation.**

Proludic – Playground Info

War Memorials Trust Letter

Clerks and Councils Direct Newsletter

Countryside Voice Winter 2013

CPRE Field Work Winter 2013

Norfolk Age Uk – donation request

Elizabeth Truss MP letter

1. **To confirm the date and time of the next meeting – Tuesday 21st January 2014 at 7.30pm.**

Meeting closed 8.45pm.

Chairman: Date