**WIMBOTSHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 18th July 2017 at 7.00pm.**

**In Attendance**: Councillors: Ian Cable (Chair), Simon Bates, Dean Chilvers, John Clark, David Fendley, and 1 member of the public.Clerk – Pippa Winson

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

Apologies received from Jackie Squires and Dana Frost.

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.**

No dispensation requests.

1. **To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 30th May 2017.**

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. The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting were reviewed.

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

None.

1. **Councillor Vacancies**

No applications received. Still one vacancy.

1. **Public Speaking.**

It was asked whether the Parish Council were looking to do some works to the trees on the Green. It was advised that this would be discussed at a later agenda item.

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

None.

1. **Village Hall**
2. Update - Meeting was held between Parish Council and Village Hall Committee on 3rd July, no minutes received yet. Clerk will contact Roy Garner and Jill Clark will chase too.
3. Potential location/s for new village hall - A meeting was held between J Clark and Albanwise regarding the land that they own adjacent to the Recreation Ground. These were tentative enquiries only.
4. Donation request - Village Hall Committee will provide accounts and budget for next 5 years, so decision can be made as how the Parish Council can support. J Clark has provided accounts and when all information provided to the Clerk this will then be circulated to Councillors. The Parish Council want to be able to support the Village Hall in a more structured way. Electrical works to be carried out imminently.
5. **Highways**

Damage to pavement outside 2 West Way.

Holly Landscapes to be asked to add cutting of the Trod to footpath cutting schedule.

D Chilvers confirmed as footpath representative.

I Cable to have meeting with Andy Wallace to discuss potential tarmac and kerbing outside no. 8, as may be considered for next years Parish Partnership Scheme.

1. **Parish Partnership Scheme**

In respect of last years bid, map submitted with application to be circulated. Clerk to arrange meeting with landowner and NCC.

Letter from NCC in respect of next years scheme added to correspondence folder for consideration.

1. **Remembrance Service**

As J Squires not present, to be discussed at next meeting.

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

**Recreation Ground** – Container being painted. Midsummer Fayre £237.88 made and £500 donations received.

**Village Hall** – Some concerns that bookings being lost due to kitchen facilities and some complaints regarding the toilets. Some housekeeping duties have been addressed. Running quite smoothly.

**Village Green** – Looks good. Clerk to get quotes for the tree works for the next meeting.

**Footpaths** – Have been cut. Trod to be cut. Clerk to contact NCC again re PROW at the end of Tinkers Lane.

**100-Acre Trust** – New clerk. Allotments have been inspected.

**Allotments** – Ok. Concern raised regarding one allotment that appears to be being used as a commercial dump. Clerk had previously contacted Allotment Committee and will do so again.

1. **Recreation Ground**

Midsummer Fayre went well. Mentioned that there were a lot of adverts in the village. It was then raised that there were two Slimming World adverts up on land outside the Village Hall, clerk was asked to report this to the Borough Council.

Car Park repairs and fencing donation request considered along with Midsummer Fayre donation request. Quotes were provided for the proposed works and draft accounts. S Bates left the meeting whilst discussion took place as he declared an interest, but not a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest. On proposal from D Fendley and seconded by D Chilvers it was agreed to donate £500 towards the car park works and fencing. I Cable and J Clark voted against the proposal.

1. **Maintenance**

Walk around carried out prior to this meeting. Question raised as to whether VAS should be included in Asset Register, clerk advised that she had been advised that they were the property of NCC, but she would check this. Beacon, electrical box for Christmas Tree and signs on Green to be added to register. Noticeboard, bus stop and parking signs need cleaning, clerk to arrange this work. S Bates will tidy up notice boards. Rangers to be asked whether they can paint the post next to the Grit Bin. Verge overgrown at top of Millers Lane so sign not visible.

1. **Newsletter**

Early August publication, deadline 22nd July. I Cable will send out reminder.

1. **Planning**

Planning Application Consultation 17/01248/F – agree to support application with no comments. Section 31(6) Highways Act and Section 15A (1) Commons Act 2006 application submitted, clerk to check that existing footpath will not be affected.

1. **Finance**
2. Agreed cheques to be signed and payments to be made.
3. Accounts to 30th June 2017 agreed and signed.
4. **Correspondence in circulation.**

Clerk & Councillors Direct magazine

NCC – Parish Partnership Scheme 2018/19 info letter

Various – via email

1. **Councillors concerns and items for next meeting agenda.**

Defibrillator, Standing Orders.

1. **To confirm the date and time of the next meeting – Tuesday 12th September 2017 at 7pm.**

Chairman: Date