**WIMBOTSHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 11th March 2014 at 7.30pm**

**In Attendance**: Councillors: Anne Smith (Chair), Mac Burton, Ian Cable, David Fendley, Dana Frost, Simon Bates and 3 members of the public.

Clerk – Pippa Winson

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

Apologies received from Jackie Squires.

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.

1. **To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 21st January 2014.**

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.**

Clerk read out update from PCSO Edwards. In the last month there have been five phone calls, 1 ASB Nuisance – strange phone call, 1 abandoned call, 2 suspicious circumstances – teenager on a moped and an unknown male lit a fire which police could not find and 1 public order offence – which happened in Downham.

1. **Councillor Vacancy**

No applications to consider. To be advertised again.

1. **Public Speaking.**

Lack of buses was mentioned. Advised that Parish Council are waiting response from new manager at Stagecoach and to have a meeting with MP E Truss.

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

Application submitted to WW1 fund for the restoration of the War Memorial.

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

Nothing to report. NCC have advised that application under highway improvements scheme has been successful in part and that they have agreed to a VAS on Lynn Road as you approach the village from Downham Market.

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

William Esse and Lady Rose Hare attended the meeting. Clerk to contact NALC to see if they can give advice in respect of any rights, as the PC have held the lease since 1951. If not to contact Fraser Dawbarns. Send copies of reports to W Esse. Village Hall Committee are keen to make improvements to the Hall.

1. **Village Sign**

Sign now installed. Clerk to write to Mr W Robb with letter of thanks.

1. **Speedwatch**

No update.

1. **Buses**

Discussed earlier at Item 173/13.

1. **Notice board**

Posts now painted and awaiting installation.

1. **Unadopted roads in the village.**

Pending quotes for crushed concrete/recycled road planings to be rollered in. Contacted NCC, West Dereham Plant Hire and K Plant.

1. **Representatives Reports**

**Recreation Ground** – S Bates to provide evidence of cost of benches and donation to be agreed at the next meeting.

**Village Hall** – Already discussed.

**Village Green** – CGM now done work to trees but not cut the basal growth. On proposal from D Fendley and seconded by S Bates it was agreed to Holly Landscapes taking on the maintenance contract from Spring 2014, if they agree to hold the price for the next 3 years.

**Footpaths** – None.

**Parish Plan** – None.

**100-Acre Trust** – 1 further rep still required.

**Allotments** – No update.

1. **Newsletter**

Brought to meeting for distribution.

1. **Planning**

Ref 14/00243/F - 8 Church Road, Wimbotsham - Construction of one dwelling and garage – All agreed to object to the proposal due to poor design, access and layout.

Clerk to contact Alan Gomm, LDF Manager, to ask for meeting in respect of proposals.

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 28th February agreed and signed.
4. **Councillors Concerns & Items for next meeting agenda**

Albanwise application.

1. **Correspondence in circulation.**

Zurich Insurance letter

Wicksteed Information

Norfolk Link

AMEC Briefing Note for Wimbotsham Parish Council on consultation responses.

1. **To confirm the date and time of the next meeting – Tuesday April 15th 2014 at 7.30pm.**

Meeting closed 8.50pm.

Chairman: Date