**WIMBOTSHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 13th September 2016 at 7pm.**

**In Attendance**: Councillors: Jackie Squires (Chair), Simon Bates, Ian Cable, David Fendley and Dana Frost.Clerk – Pippa Winson

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

None.

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 20th July 2016.**

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. **Councillor Vacancies**

No applications received. Richard Ribbons has now resigned as a Parish Councillor.

1. **Public Speaking.**

None.

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

None.

1. **Village Hall**
2. Structural Report being undertaken.
3. Donation Request – all agreed not to make donation at present and to defer until full works to be undertaken are known.
4. **Highways**
5. Footpath to A10 and hedge needs cutting. Mini roundabout, tree needs cutting back as unable to walk on pavement. Potholes by the School. Fingerpost sign at the bottom of Westway needs replacing.
6. Parish Partnership application discussed. Trod proposed from Goodrums to Stow Estates field. Andy Wallace supports application. J Squires will draw a map of proposed route to take to A Wallace (NCC highways) and Stow Estates).
7. **Speed Gate Location**

Meeting held and it was agreed that the Speed Gates were not affecting highway safety on Lynn Road, so no further action required.

1. **Buses/Bus Stops**

No further update from NCC. Clerk to request update for next meeting.

1. **Dog Bin**

Still pending, S Bates to chase Paul Goodrum. To advise clerk so that she can arrange collection.

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

**Recreation Ground** – Halloween Children’s Pumpkin carving planned.

**Village Hall** – Already discussed.

**Village Green** – Well maintained. Sign’s coping cracked and potentially dangerous. Clerk to contact M Neal for price to repair.

**Footpaths** – Tinkers Lane and Stow Estates footpaths need cutting, to be asked to cut them back.

**100-Acre Trust** – Ian is still waiting to hear back re date for next meeting.

**Allotments** – Some a bit overgrown.

1. **Footpath Audit Walk** – Footpaths ok. Churchyard Maintenance to be on agenda for discussion at next meeting.
2. **Village Walk on Sunday 11th September**

J Squires and I Cable lead the walk with 3 parishioners. Will repeat with different route next time.

1. **Street Lighting Maintenance**

On proposal from I Cable and seconded by S Bates, all agreed to a 3 year contract with K&M Lighting. Clerk to ask if further discount can be offered.

1. **Maintenance**

To be discussed at next meeting.

1. **Newsletter**

Newsletter deadline is 22nd October. S Bates to help with distribution.

1. **Planning**

No applications to consider. To ask BC for lighting strategy in respect of Albanwise application. New houses proposed would be geographically nearer to Wimbotsham Village, advice needed as to how to proceed with request for s.106 to include monies towards Village Hall improvements.

1. **Finance**
2. Agreed cheques to be signed and payments to be made.
3. Accounts to 31st August 2016 agreed and signed.
4. External Audit completed by Mazars.
5. **Correspondence in circulation.**

Clerk & Council’s Direct

CPRE letter

HAGS leaflet

Various – via email

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

None.

1. **To confirm the date and time of the next meeting – Tuesday 11th October 2016 at 7pm.**

Meeting finished at 8.30pm.

Chairman: Date