

Wimbotsham Parish Council

DRAFT Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting of the above-named Parish Council held on Tuesday 12th September 2023 at Wimbotsham Methodist Church.

Parish Councillors:

Ian Cable (Chairman), David Fendley, Chris Hitchens, Steve Mingay, Anne Smith, and Jackie Squires
Parish Clerk – Nicola Forrest

County Councillor: Cllr Brian Long

- 75/23 To receive Apologies for Absence**
Apologies were received from Cllr Chilvers (other commitments)
- 76/23 Councillor Vacancies**
No applications received.
- 77/23 To receive Declarations of Interest**
Cllr David Fendley declared an interest in item 97.2.
- 78/23 Minutes of the ordinary meeting held 16th May 2023**
Having been circulated previously, the minutes were approved.
- 79/23 Reports**
- 79.1 **Norfolk County Council** – Cllr Long gave a brief update as he is working on the constitution whilst waiting for a direct leader to be elected.
- 79.3 **Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk** – No Councillors were present but Cllr Rose sent in a report which included Norfolk County Council adding more verge cutting to their schedule.
- 80/23 To report progress on items not on the agenda from the last meeting (information only)**
None to report.
- 81/23 Public Participation**
No public in attendance.
- 82/23 PC Administration**
Cllr Cable thanked Swaffham Town Council for their donation of a projector and screen. The Parish Clerk to send a thank you letter.
- 83/23 To receive any Correspondence**
- 83.1 Speed Sign Complaint
Clerk to write to the resident explaining the limitations of Powers the Parish Council can use.
- 84/23 Highways**
- 62.1 Wimbotsham to Stow Bridge Footpath (TROD)
Work has commenced and will be finished shortly.
- 62.2 Downham Market Footway
The Parish Clerk has sent the paperwork for the footway to commence. **Clerk to chase up date for works**
- 85/23 Streetlights**
- 63.1 Floodlights on village green
The floodlights are now switching off at 11pm.

- 86/23 To discuss and consider maintenance**
Three quotes received for maintenance around Wimbotsham Village
It was unanimously agreed to accept the quotes received.
- 87/23 To discuss and consider Christmas Tree Lights**
Two quotes received for Christmas Tree lights for the large 25ft tree on the village green
It was unanimously agreed to accept the first Christmas tree quote for £260.63.
Steve Mingay to advise date for putting up
- 88/23 Defibrillator**
88.1 Signage for the village Hall
It was unanimously agreed to defer until the next meeting in October. Cllr Cable and Parish Clerk to propose suitable new signage
88.2 Additional Defibrillator
It was unanimously agreed there were no suitable locations identified for an additional defibrillator
- 89/23 To discuss and consider purchasing two ink cartridges for the History Group**
It was unanimously agreed to purchase ink cartridges for the Wimbotsham History Group.
- 90/23 Recreation Ground**
90.1 Larger bin at the Recreation Ground
The Parish Clerk is liaising with the Borough Council to have permission to change the bin, once approved, quotes will be prepared by the Clerk for the next Council meeting,
- 91/23 Reports**
91.1 Village Hall
A scheme of decoration and minor maintenance works are being carried out at village hall. Steve Mingay had noticed some loose screws in floor, these had been attended to.
91.2 Recreation Ground
Cllr Mingay gave a verbal report that the refurbishment of the pavilion has started.
91.3 Village Green
Cllr Hitchens reported the tree which is now healthy.
91.4 Footpaths
All footpaths have been cut and no other issues to report.
91.5 100 Acre Trust
Nothing to report.
91.6 Allotments
Most allotment holders are taking care of their allotments and they have five new plots available.
- 92/23 Fenman Bike Show Feedback**
It was reported it was the Chequers pub who hosted the day and it was very successful
- 93/23 To discuss and consider a date and plans for Coronation Daffodil Planting**
It was unanimously agreed to set a budget of £300 towards Daffodil bulbs and to plant them Saturday 7th October at 10am. Ian C to prepare poster. Clerk to order daffodils.
- 94/23 To discuss Parish Council Training.**

A quote was received from Norfolk ALC for Councillor training including training with Denver Parish.

It was unanimously agreed to accept the quote and invite Denver Parish Council to Wimbotsham Village Hall.

95/23 Parish Partnership Funding

Information given that Parish Partnership is now open for bids

It was discussed the Parish Clerk would provide the parameters of what the Council could use Parish Partnership for.

96/23 Planning Applications

96.1 Results on Applications

None received.

96.2 Applications Received

23/01513/F Single Story extension to front of existing bungalow at Fenlin Bungalow 12 Millers Lane, Wimbotsham, Norfolk, PE34 3QF

Cllr Fendley left the Hall for the Councillors to discuss the application.

It was unanimously agreed to support the application with no additional comments.

96.3 Information Received

None received

97/23 Finance Matters

72.1 Payments of Accounts for July and August 2023

It was unanimously agreed to approve the accounts for July and August 2023.

98/23 Future agenda items

Parish meeting dates

Consider speed change on Lynn Road/Church Road

99/23 The next meeting of the parish council will be held on Tuesday 24th October 2023 at 7pm at Wimbotsham Methodist Church.

Meeting Closed 8.33pm

Chairman.....

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