

WIMBOTSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday 13th December 2022 at 7.00pm, held at Wimbotsham Methodist Church.

In Attendance: Councillors: Ian Cable (Chair) Dean Chilvers, Steve Mingay, D Fendley, C Hitchens, A Smith.

103/22 To consider apologies for absence.

Apologies from J Squires and Borough Councillors C Rose and V Spikings and clerk P Winson.

104/22 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.

105/22 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 25th October 2022.

Having been circulated prior to the meeting, subject to amendments the minutes were agreed, and signed, as a true and accurate record by all present at the meeting.

106/22 To record Councillors' declarations of interest on Agenda Items.

D Fendley declared an interest on Item 122/22 regarding the Chequers Planning application.

107/22 Councillor Vacancies

No applications to consider.

108/22 Public Speaking.

(a) Borough/County Councillor report. None present.

(b) Members of the public. None present.

109/22 Matters arising for items not covered elsewhere on the agenda – info only.

None

110/22 PC Administration

To have minutes asap – All agreed

Delivered to Ian within 7 days, draft approved and then sent to everyone within 14 days. – All agreed

Ian/clerk

Planning applications – follow up of how the application went and what is happening now to be communicated in the meetings – All agreed clerk

More organised / direct correspondence allocated to individuals / rather than group messages. – all agreed Ian/clerk

Shared file to view correspondence – One Drive or similar – All agreed – (Comment made by David that meetings should be easier, clearer and quicker.... Like the olden days) clerk

Purchase Laptop / PC Projector for meetings – proposal of approx. £1000. David objects, everyone else agrees. Chris Proposes – Steve Seconds Ian/clerk

111/22 New Village Hall Working Group

New Village Hall Working Group. Over 50% of the village responded with the voting papers for preferred site. 94 people are for the existing site, 92 people for the recreation ground. The existing site will continue as the preferred site. Next NVHWG meeting on 7th February 2023. A number of people will be required as trustees to form the charitable organisation to progress.

112/22 Correspondence

Letter from DMKT town council regarding tenure of the allotments. We will send a letter back, saying that once we know the details we will communicate at the appropriate time. Ian/clerk

Various via email

113/22 Highways

(a) Updates/issues: Lynn Road towards Broomhill, the path is being encroached by vegetation. Same for Lynn Road towards Millers Lane. Ian has met with Andy Wallace, NCC are to contact householders and take action if householders fail to cut back.

The path between Miller Lane and the A10 is due to be resurfaced. Chase Andy Wallace to find out dates. clerk

(b) Parish Partnership Scheme

Trod on Westway. Tidy up and re-edge. Andy Wallace gave a quotation which seemed excessive. To have another look at the trod and see what is essential. All

Potential Trod to Broomhill at the top of Low Road. Approx £10-11,000. 50% would be paid by NCC and then suggest we ask DMKT Council to contribute. We will make the application and decide if awarded the monies, to continue or not. David Propose – Anne Second, all agreed. Clerk

114/22 SAM2

DC moved around the village and is now back with Runcton Holme. DC to send SAM data to everyone.
Dean

115/22 Street Lighting Maintenance Contract

All agreed to a new contract with K&M, all agreed on the 3-year deal at approx. £294 per year. Steve propose and Anne Second.

116/22 Representatives, to receive any updates.

- (a) **Recreation Ground** – Motorbikes and Quads messing up the grass. Police aware. Grass in front of the memorial a mess. Ask PC to support CIL funding for new windows and doors. PC suggest that CIL funding should include making toilets compliant, decoration, flooring etc, to make it a useable space for possible use by all groups. Then the PC would support. Steve to suggest to Rec Ground Steve
- (b) **Village Hall** - DC and IC to take old fencing up between Christmas and New year. The Christmas lights look great – all agreed Dean/Ian
- (c) **Village Green** – Christmas Tree – A letter of thanks to be sent from PC to all involved on erecting the tree and lights. Ian/clerk
Village sign – Did the PC officially ask and agree for P Goodrum to do the village sign? If not, can we officially ask P Goodrum to carry out the works. Clerk
New tree has been planted. Posts to be erected at the bottom of the small green to stop people driving on it. 1m high posts with reflective tops. All agreed with a budget of £500, PS to ask Holly Landscapes. Steve propose – Chris second. Main green to be reseeded under the trees PC to speak to Holly. Clerk
- (d) **Footpaths** -_All ok.
- (e) **100- Acre Trust** - Application forms in newsletter, funds will be distributed before Christmas.
- (f) **Allotments** – All ok.

117/22 Invite from MP Liz Truss

We have agreed to a meeting, but no dates suggested by Liz truss team yet. Clerk

118/22 Wildflower Planting

No other placed to seed, so suggesting to expand the areas at Turners Close. To make them Longer and Wider. Anne propose – Chris second. PC to speak to Holly about cost. (Should we speak to Freebridge / Borough about the distance we need to get their lawnmowers around the area?) clerk

119/22 Village Litter Pick

Litter-pick cancelled. DC to propose a date in March / spring time. Dean

120/22 Maintenance

Memorial. Cannot read the names. To find out who looks after this and get them to clean it properly. Ian to carry out an asset walk before the next meeting. Clerk/Ian

121/22 Newsletter Distributed early December.

122/22 Planning

Use of building for day centre with restrictions – All agree approve.
Appearance of building with revised windows – All agree approve.
Container at back of pub- All disagree – refuse. No justification given for the storage use for this commercial business? Screening proposed increased are of building and makes more prominent rather than less. Would be better in a less prominent position to east side and screened with vegetation etc.
Response to be sent: Ian/Clerk

123/22 C.I.L Funding

Broomhill Trod, Rec Ground pavilion, Westway Trod, NVHWG planning etc.

124/22 Norfolk Accident Rescue Service

Deferred until the next meeting. Request letter has been previously circulated to Councillors.

125/22 .Gov.uk Email address offer from NALC. Express interest and then see costs etc. Clerk

126/22 Finance

- (a) SLCC Subscription – All agreed to contribution towards membership, this is £56.00.
- (b) Payments details not available.
- (c) Accounts to 30th November 2022 agreed, to be signed.

127/22 Councillors concerns and items for next meeting agenda.

Defib checks – Checklist? Instructions? Need to be sent? Clerk
Simon Bates has offered Christmas trees to the village. No place to plant the trees? To be investigated by Steve. Steve

128/22 To confirm the date and time of the next meeting – Tuesday 24th January 2023 starting at 7pm at the Methodist Church.

Meeting closed.

Chairman:

Date

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