

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WOLSTON PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL, WOLSTON, ON THURSDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> JUNE 2022 AT 7.00PM**

**PRESENT** Cllr Dobinson (Chair), Cllr R Grainger, Cllr L Wright, and Cllr Ball (Minute taker).

Plus: 9 members of the public.

After members of the public and Councillors had been given the opportunity to raise any issues, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending, and the Parish Council meeting commenced at 7.40pm.

**41. Apologies and acceptance of reasons for absence**

The apologies of Cllr Humphreys , Boro Cllr Tim Willis, Boro Cllr Derek Poole, Boro Cllr Simon Ward and Cty Cllr Mrs Timms were noted.

**42. Declarations of Interest (existence and nature) for items on the agenda**

No declarations of interest were made for any items on the agenda. The Chairman advised that Councillors could declare an interest later in the meeting should this become apparent for any agenda item.

**43. Minutes of the Parish Council**

All Councillors had been given the opportunity to review the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2022. A request was made to defer acceptance until July meeting.

**RESOLVED:** Proposed Cllr Dobinson seconded Cllr Ball defer to July meeting

Following a brief discussion of the minutes of 7th April 2022 and deletion to be made. A request was made to defer acceptance until July meeting

**RESOLVED:** Proposed Cllr Dobinson seconded by Cllr Grainger defer to July meeting.

**44. Play Equipment Maintenance**

**RESOLVED:** Proposed Cllr Dobinson seconded Cllr Wright defer to July meeting

**45. Grass cutting in the village.**

No report has been received from the contractor. This will not affect the next grass cut. Defer to July meeting.

**RESOLVED:** Proposed Cllr Dobinson seconded Cllr Grainger defer to July meeting.

**46. Allotments - WPC liaison for Phase 1 works**

A discussion took place to confirm the proposal for WPC liaison role.

**RESOLVED:** Proposed Cllr Wright seconded Cllr Ball to accept the proposal, vote not confirmed.

Agreement that what is said was correct but wording needed revising. Cllr Dobinson agreed to undertake this

**47. Accounting software**

A discussion took place and it was agreed an investigate of providers was needed and report back to next meeting.

**RESOLVED:** Proposed Cllr Ball seconded Cllr Wright to defer and present at next meeting

**48. Parish Council Year End**

The Clerk advised an extension had been granted by PKF Littlejohn, LLP, to 29<sup>th</sup> July 2022

**RESOLVED:** Extended to 29<sup>th</sup> July 2022

**49. Insurance for 2022 – 2023**

After a discussion it was agreed that the wording on the agenda was incorrect.

**RESOLVED:** Defer to July meeting

Signed .....

**50. Jubilee Event**

A discussion took place to confirm the payments made for the Party in the Park, and also of the status of Wolston Events group going forward.

Proposed to confirm the payments Cllr Wright seconded Cllr Ball – carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED:** The payments made for the PITP are endorsed and the status of Wolston Events be taken forward to a future meeting.

**51. Future Agenda Items**

- Play Equipment maintenance
- Grass Cutting
- Finances
- Insurance
- Action Plan
- Training courses
- Co-option of new councillors

**52. Exclusion of Press and Public**

In accordance with Paragraph 1 (2) of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the Parish Council was invited to Resolve that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following agenda items owing to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted and the public interest would not be served in disclosing that information. Reason for Exclusion – The exclusion is on the grounds that items of business to be discussed are likely to include discussions about a lease, items of a commercially sensitive nature and legal advice.

**RESOLVED:** All members of the public present left

**53. Human Resources (Staffing)**

The council endorse the recommendation of Paul Dixon as Public Works Lead

**RESOLVED:** Proposed Cllr Dobinson seconded Cllr Wright to confirm the appointment.

The council endorsed the permanent employment of Jane Hancox as clerk for WBBJBC

**RESOLVED:** Proposed Cllr Wright seconded Cllr Graiger to confirm the appointment. Scale point 10

**54. Date of Next Meetings –**

To confirm the date Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2022 for the next regular meeting of the Parish Council at the Village Hall at 7:15pm.

As there were no further items on the Agenda the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.15 pm

Signed:..... Chairman

Date: .....

Signed .....

### **Notes on the Public Forum and Parish Matters held during the Parish Council Meeting on 9th June 2022.**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked if there were any representations from anyone present at the meeting.

#### Public

- Request for draft minutes to be made available. – this will be considered when the new clerk is appointed
- Toxic waste Stretton Road – Risk Assessment in process no update yet.
- Allotments –
  - Machinery on site – PC will check with Spitfire homes as to why.
  - Have the contractors been appointed – O’Brien’s, but not signed yet.
  - Is there a date for when allotment holders can get back on plots – expected approx. 3 months from when construction of south side begins.
  - When is the trading shed being moved – no definite dates as yet.
  - Allotments holders are requesting a meeting – PC to approach WBAGA
- Green space between 62 and 64 Meadow Road – being used for storage of vehicles by resident – PC to check ownership and speak to resident.
- Bluemels – public open space not being maintained – responsibility of the management company, RBC enforcement officers can be advised.

#### Borough and County Council

- Still problems with the bins, number of drivers are off sick
- Pavements and roads to be resurfaced over the summer.
- Commonwealth baton relay in Rugby 21/7/22

Closed 7.30 pm

### **Notes on the Public Forum and Parish Matters held during the Parish Council Meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2022.**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked if there were any representations from anyone present at the meeting.

#### Public

- To show a commitment to parish matters is it possible to stream and or record meeting as well as face to face.
- Green space between 62 and 64 Meadow Road – being used for storage of vehicles by resident – update requested. Ownership of land to be established.
- Jubilee Clock – A breakdown of all costs was requested – this will be shown in finance - payments made.
- Party in the Park – will it be possible to consider a new gate to enable easier access to the Dyer’s Lane Playing field.
- Jubilee gifts – these will be bookmarks given to all village children under 15.
- When are the new bollards to be put in – to be confirmed with RBC.
- Dyer’s Lane Playing field issues with Dog’s, shaded area and lock on children area – a separate working group of the PC will be set up to manage the users of the field.
- Christmas lights – could additional lighting be added to the lampposts in Main Street – and agree date proposed date of Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December .
- Hedge on Brook Street – almost impassable – refer to WCC.
- Any update on WBAGA meeting with allotment holders – not at present.

Closed 7.40pm

Signed .....