## **WICKLEWOOD PARISH COUNCIL**

# Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall at Wicklewood Village Hall on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2014 at 7.45 pm

Present: Peter Campbell-McBride (PCM)

Alan Goodings (AG)

Andrew Goodings (AGo) Vice Chairman

Richard Goodings (RG)
Jack Hipperson (JH)
Lorraine Long (LL)

In attendance Margaret Dewsbury (MD) County Councillor

Michael Edney (ME) District Councillor

Anne Panella (AP) Parish Clerk

**Action** 

#### WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- The new parish councillor, Peter Campbell-McBride, was welcomed to the meeting.
- 341 Apologies were received from Mike Gamble and Karen Bush.

#### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None were received that would impact on the business of the Parish Council.

#### **PUBLIC FORUM**

- MD confirmed that Highways have endeavoured to resolve the issue of the manhole cover which continually surcharges in heavy rain. It appears to be a capacity issue and could be resolved by redirecting water onto the fields at the top of Church Lane. This would require the agreement of the landowners. It was suggested that the Parish Council may be able to assist with suggesting a way forward or help negotiate a solution with landowners.
- It was noted that many ditches in the village have been in-filled over the years preventing water escaping back to the river. It was queried if residents can be required to restore the ditches but this may prove difficult to enforce.

# APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 6<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2013

**Resolved:** that the Minutes for the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> January be accepted as a true record of the proceedings. Proposed by AG, seconded by LL. All in agreement.

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#### **MATTERS ARISING**

- 345 All grass cutting contracts for the 2014/15 have been confirmed with the respective contractors. The agency contract (urban and rural) was stipulated as being 'in principle' only at this point until the County Council confirm the continuation of the contract.
- 346 South Norfolk Council have confirmed receipt of the Precept request.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

#### 347 **Incoming Correspondence**

- Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner
- i. Norfolk Constabulary Crime Surveys: 29 November to 19 December
- Norfolk Association of Local Councils: Spring Seminar ii.
- iii. Rural Services Network

#### **ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

348 The following were presented for payment:

Anne Panella	Clerk's Salary	£187.85
Anne Panella	Clerk's Expenses	£39.99
Karen Bush	Cleaner and Booking Clerk Salary	£230.26
HMRC	January 2014	£66.00
	Total	£524.10

**Resolved:** that the accounts, as presented above, be approved for payment. Proposed by AG, seconded by RG. All in agreement.

#### In addition:

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- i. Acoustics Survey: Vigrass, the company that provided the new village hall roof, will provide a quote for improving the acoustics, at no cost. However, this will be when they are next working in the area. JH will contact them to obtain a firmer date.
- A new printer will cost approximately £100. Agreed for the Clerk to purchase ii. from Anglia Internet.

JH

**Resolved:** to agree the purchase of a new printer for the Parish Council, as above. Proposed by RG, seconded by PCM. All in agreement.

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	Current	Deposit	Total
Balance B/Fwd 29 Dec 2013	£10,053.23	£7,111.27	£17,164.50
Total Receipts to 29/01/14	£ 816.72	£0.00	£ 816.72
	£10,869.95	£7,111.27	£17,981.22
Total Outgoings to 29/01/14	£ 1,507.25	£0.00	£ 1,507.25
	£ 9,362.70	£7,111.27	£16,473.97
Inter-Account Transfers Jan 2014	£0	£0	£0
Closing Balance 29 January 2014	£ 9,362.70	£7,111.27	£16,473.97

#### **HIGHWAYS**

- 351 The new Grit Bin in Low Street has now been filled.
- It was noted there are increasing numbers of potholes in the village and the method of repair seems inadequate. It was queried if surveyors are required to check and 'sign off' repairs. In one instance contractors only brushed water out of the pothole and immediately filled with tarmac.
- 353 MD confirmed that these are very likely temporary repairs and will be re-done properly during the summer.

#### **PLANNING**

- 354 <u>2013/0093</u>: <u>Sub-division of garden at 27 Church Lane and erection of single storey detached dwelling</u>: No views or comments
- 355 <u>2013/0136: 112 High Street. Two storey extension to side, replacement of single storey rear extension and internal alterations.</u> No views or comments.

#### PLAYING FIELD

356 Two inspections have been conducted; 11<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> January. No issues to report.

#### **WICKLEWOOD VILLAGE HALL**

- 357 Several new bookings in February and April. The management of the Toddler Group and Rainbows are both changing in February; the website has been updated to reflect the changed contact details.
- A complaint was received from a booking where the boiler would not function properly. It was noted this occurred at the same time as a series of short power cuts happened in the local area. The electrician carried out a check any was unable to find a fault with the boiler. No other incidents have been reported by users.
- The alarm in the Ladies toilets has been fixed. The leak in the ceiling of the gent's toilets seems to have stopped. A further leak has been reported in the main hall which is being monitored

#### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

360 No issues were raised.

### DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

361 Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2014 at 7.45 pm. Agenda items to Clerk by Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February.

The meeting ended at 8.05 pm.

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