

WICKLEWOOD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in Wicklewood Village Hall on Monday 7th November 2016

Present:	Mike Gamble	(MG)	Chairman
	Alan Goodings	(AG)	
	Andrew Goodings	(AGo)	
	Richard Goodings	(RG)	
	Jack Hipperson	(JH)	
	John Seville	(JS)	Vice Chair
	Sarah Wayne	(SW)	
In attendance:	Karen Bush	(KB)	Booking Clerk and Caretaker
	Michael Edney	(ME)	District Councillor
	Anne Panella	(AP)	Parish Clerk

Action

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

222 were received from M Dewsbury

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

223 MG declared an interest for Agenda Item 7.7

PUBLIC FORUM

224 South Norfolk Council: ME confirmed that work continues on the budget for 2017/18. The Revenue Support Grant will cease as from 2019. The impact of the new homes bonus yet to be assessed. Devolution: discussions continue with those councils within Norfolk yet to make a decision. SNC want to be part of the Devolution plan and take advantage of the funding that will be available over the next few years.

225 Norfolk County Council: MD emailed to confirm that Highways have again been asked to provide timescales for the work to resolve the flooding issue at junction of High Street and Church Lane. JS confirmed that work has recently been undertaken and understand that further work is scheduled for January 2017.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 3rd OCTOBER 2016

226 **Resolved:** to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 3rd October. Proposed by AG, seconded by SW. All in agreement.

MATTERS ARISING

227 New Car Park for Wicklewood School: noted that parents/carers continue to park on the road, in particular on the bend towards the church, although not on the zig-zag lines. Confirmed that the car park is often very full or overflowing which may be contributing to the on-road parking situation. Clerk to write to the school expressing that council were disappointed to note there was still parking on the road when the school was coming out, and request that they monitor the situation to encourage all parents to use the car park. If they felt there was need for more parking restrictions, then the council would support a request to the County Council.

AP

- 228 Windmill Cottages: no response yet received from the Trust with regard to future plans for these cottages.
- 229 Uplighters: the applicant was provided with details of other organisations that may be able to help with a grant. The issues of storage, insurance, PAT testing etc if such equipment were to be used by a variety of organisations in the Hall was raised.
- 230 War Memorial: request to Brett & Son on how to remove lichen, bearing in mind the Listed status of the memorial. No reply as yet.

CORRESPONDENCE

231	Norfolk Constabulary: Crime Statistics	www.norfolk.police.uk
	Rural Crime Newsletter	
	Change to Policing Personnel	
	Wicklewood Ranger	List of minor works within village
	Request to County Councillor	regarding overflowing drain at junction of High Street/Church Lane
	Cherry Tree Pub	Confirmation of Asset of Community Value

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

232	Anne Panella	Clerk's Salary (Oct)	£255.72
	Karen Bush	Caretaker & Booking Clerk Salary (Oct)	£238.27
	HMRC	PAYE (Month 7, 2016/17)	£30.00
	Norse Eastern	Grass Cutting (8 of 8)	£191.92
	Npower (DD)	Electricity charges 19 July to 1 October	£80.76
	PWLB (DD)	Public Works Loan Board Repayment	£678.36
	Irelands	Fee for arranging Farm Business Tenancy	£552.00
	Anglian Water (DD)	Water Charges 16 July to 12 October	£25.09
		TOTAL	£2,050.12

In addition, two further invoices were considered. A Kerridge £254.40 for removal of ceiling in Storage Room, South Norfolk Council £156.10 for Annual charge of Doggy Bins 2016/17 (note that earlier invoice for this item was for 2015/16). **Grand Total £2,460.62**

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

MONTHLY INCOME AND EXPENDITURE REPORT

	Current	Deposit	Total
Balance B/Fwd 24/09/ 2016	£ 5,908.75	£11,127.23	£17,036.98
Total Receipts to 22/10/16	£ 2,449.71	£ 0.00	£ 2,449.71
	£ 8,358.46	£11,127.23	£19,485.69
Total Outgoings to 22/10/16	£ 4,862.91	£ 0.00	£ 4,862.91
	£ 3,495.55	£11,127.23	£14,622.78
Inter-Account Transfers October 2016	0.00	0.00	0.00
Closing Balance 22/10/2016	£ 3,495.55	£11,127.23	£14,622.78

HIGHWAYS

- 234 A list of requests was sent to the Highways Ranger; will monitor in the coming days to confirm what has been undertaken.

PLANNING

- 235 Nothing to report.

PLAYING FIELD

- 236 Two inspections have been conducted, on 17th and 31st October. No issues to report. The developer on the High Street has trimmed the new hedge. Norse have confirmed that the annual scarifying/aerating of the field will be carried out shortly.
- 237 Glass has again been found and removed from the entrance; confirmed that none was visible around the play equipment.

WICKLEWOOD VILLAGE HALL

- 238 Several new bookings have been received. Bates Flooring have, today, confirmed they will endeavour to visit the Hall in the next two weeks to resolve the area of flooring that is lifting at the doorways. Floor continues to be sticky/slippery even though the recommended cleaning products are being used.
- 239 A recent booking for a child's birthday party resulted in many more people arriving accompanied by the consumption of alcohol. The Hirer has been emailed for an explanation but, to date, none response has been received. However, the Hall was left clean and tidy although with a strong smell of beer in the Foyer. The Police were called. Agreed that for the foreseeable future bookings for this type of event originating from outside the village will not be accepted.

MG

- 240 Sign over door for 'Wicklewood Village Hall': to be carried forward.

MG/RG

- 241 Notice Board: Quotes have been obtained but may be best to provide a internal Board that uses one of the windows in the Foyer. MG/RG to pursue.

- 242 Abel Energy/Solar Panels: MG and AP had a meeting on 4th November with the MD and Sales & Technical Manager of Abel Energy. Details of the Parish Council complaint was left with Abels who assured that an answer will be provided shortly.

- 243 Charges for Hire of Village Hall: the current charges have not been amended for several years. Noted they are quite low in comparison with neighbouring Halls.

- 244 A lot of discussion on proposed new rates - £8.00 per hour, different rates for residents of Wicklewood, flat rate irrespective of time that the Hall is booked.

Resolved: to keep the rates unchanged for a further 12 months. Proposed by AGo, seconded by JH. Five in agreement, two not in agreement. Motion carried.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 245 No issues were raised.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

- 246 Monday 5th December 2016, commencing at 7.45 pm. Agenda items to the Clerk by 25th November. The meeting closed at 9.30 pm