

Minutes of the meeting of Wimblington Parish Council held on Tuesday 21st January 2020 in the small room of the Parish Hall, Addison Road Wimblington at 7.00 pm.

Present M T Davis (Chairman), Mrs P Amos (Clerk), Cllr Hennen; Cllr J Clarke; Cllr P Clark; Cllr Dent; Cllr Harding. Cllr Gowing; Mrs Hart; Mrs Moulton;

Number	Title		Action
001/20	Apologies for Absence	Cllr. Rose. Cllr Wright; Cllr Crawford.	
002/20	Absentees		
003/20	Chairs Additional items	Cllr Davis said that she would like to host an event, inviting representatives from all of the village groups, to a cheese and wine to say thank you to the volunteers for their efforts. After discussion resolved to organise this. Clerk and chair to organise	PA, MD
004/20	Declarations of interest	i)declaration: ii)written dispensation requests: There were none iii)dispensation grants: There are none	
005/20	Public Participation	None	
006/20	Confirmation of minutes	RESOLVED – that the minutes of meeting held on 17 th December 2019 were correctly recorded and that they be signed as being a true record. Proposed: Cllr. P Clark; Seconded: Cllr Dent. All in favour.	
007/20	Fenland District Council	Cllr Davis reported that there is nothing to report of particular reference to Wimblington other than some District Councillors asking if there were plans to scrap the brown bin fee but this will not be happening. There will also be some commercial activity within the District regarding investments. District will continue to sell off small parcels of land etc to raise funds.	
008/20	Cambridgeshire County Council	a) Cllr. Gowing in his written monthly report said: CCC are expecting Highways funding from government but it may not be as much as last year. There are to be changes to the Adult Social Care Charging Policy. The fostering service are looking for more foster homes. CCC work with local Rotary Clubs to raise funds to enhance children's education. b) Climate Change and Environment Strategy – e-mailed to Cllrs 22.11.19. Cambs. County Council had contacted the clerk to advise of their Climate Change and Environment Strategy and Action Plan, asking for feedback from councillors about their proposal. After discussion some Cllrs had completed the online feedback form and commented that WPC are doing their bit by installing insulation to the Parish Hall and soon to have PV cells to provide some electricity. Tomorrow is the LHI bid panel for which Wimblington have a joint bid to install road barriers along with 3 other Parishes, at the Honey Farm bends Stonea.	
009/20	Other Matters	a) connections bus – further to minute 0322/19 a clerk had contacted connections and been told that 3 children attended during the Summer holidays 2019. After discussion resolved not to buy the service as it was not well utilised previously. All in favour by show of hands b) Age UK Community Warden Service – Doddington PC had contacted the clerk and chair to ask whether Wimblington PC would be interested in an Age UK Community Warden Service along with themselves and Benwick. Doddington will arrange a meeting so that Age UK can give us more information. After discussion Cllrs are very interested. c) Web site – the clerk had received information via the SLCC re Parish Council's web site accessibility. Chairman asked that we look into upgrading our web site. Clerk has received initial information from visionict (after looking at several providers) who have 4 levels of web site – 1 £650.00 – £950.00 - 7 pages; 2 £1200.00; 3 £2000.00; 4 over £2000.00. Yearly fee of £175.00. Cllr Hennen offered to run a Wordpress site. After discussion resolved to meet with Cllrs from Doddington to discuss the difficulties they encountered with Wordpress. Clerk had put the grass cutting contract out to tender for the 3-year term 2020/23. The third tender had been received today and information sent to Councillors by e-mail. Contractor 1 decided not to tender; Contractor 2 price: £6886.4/5 year 1, £7,024.17 year 2, £7164.65 year 3; Contractor 3 price £19,505.00 per annum. After discussion resolved in principal to employ contractor number 2. All in favour by show of hands. This will be an agenda item next month	PA MD PA

010/20	Payments	a) The members to consider the following: accounts for payment: <table><tr><td>Payments</td><td></td><td>NET</td><td>VAT</td><td>£</td></tr><tr><td>Staff salaries *Jan</td><td>Including pension, tax & NI</td><td></td><td></td><td>1841.20</td></tr><tr><td>Generis security</td><td>CCTV at pavilion</td><td>2080.00</td><td>416.00</td><td>2496.00</td></tr><tr><td>Npower</td><td>Street light electricity 1</td><td>233.30</td><td>46.66</td><td>279.96</td></tr><tr><td>Npower</td><td>Street light electricity 2</td><td>45.60</td><td>9.12</td><td>54.72</td></tr><tr><td>Npower</td><td>Street light electricity 3</td><td>30.69</td><td>6.14</td><td>36.83</td></tr><tr><td>Southern electric</td><td>Pavilion electricity</td><td>58.58</td><td>2.92</td><td>61.50</td></tr><tr><td>Fenland District Cnl</td><td>Empty hall bins Jan – March</td><td></td><td></td><td>125.42</td></tr><tr><td>Fenland District Cnl</td><td>Empty church bins Jan - March</td><td></td><td></td><td>125.42</td></tr><tr><td>DKO Wheatley</td><td>Car park tree removal</td><td>200.00</td><td>40.00</td><td>240.00</td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr></table> Invoices paid by Barclaycard <table><tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr></table> *See appendix a for salary breakdown = Previously approved by Chairman or at previous meeting All payments to be made - Proposed: Cllr Dent; Seconded: Cllr. Davis. all in favour. Clerk advised that to date there is recorded an income of £101,222 and expenditure of £80,777, leaving reserves of £173,078. Report e-mailed to Councillors 21.1.2020	Payments		NET	VAT	£	Staff salaries *Jan	Including pension, tax & NI			1841.20	Generis security	CCTV at pavilion	2080.00	416.00	2496.00	Npower	Street light electricity 1	233.30	46.66	279.96	Npower	Street light electricity 2	45.60	9.12	54.72	Npower	Street light electricity 3	30.69	6.14	36.83	Southern electric	Pavilion electricity	58.58	2.92	61.50	Fenland District Cnl	Empty hall bins Jan – March			125.42	Fenland District Cnl	Empty church bins Jan - March			125.42	DKO Wheatley	Car park tree removal	200.00	40.00	240.00																					
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011/20	Risk Management and Health & Safety	Further to minute 0110/18 a) To review policies/procedures. Updated full village risk assessment is completed and available via the web site.																																																																							
012/20	Planning	Planning: The clerk reported that the following planning applications had been received for comment: F/YR19/1089/F - Erect 1 dwelling (2-storey 5-bed with detached double garage, 2.0m high (approx. height) wall with railings and gates to front and the temporary siting of 2 x static caravans involving the demolition of existing dwelling and garage at 6 Bridge Lane – no objections on same grounds as last time. F/YR20/0024/O - Erect 1 dwelling (outline application with all matters reserved) at Land East Of 3C Bridge Lane - move to next meeting	PA PA																																																																						
013/20	Highway matters/Street lighting/ Transport	a) Street lights reported: FPC1 St Peters Drive, this is under warranty and has been reported to Electrical Testing. Clerk has passed an enquiry about a Cambs. County Council light to Cllr Gowing. b) Footpaths and highways issues: Blue Lane has been reported to Cambs County Council twice as being flooded. CCC are going to check the drains again. c) Hedges on Blue lane – clerk to write to Mr Pollington asking for him to cut back before end of February. d) Cllr Hennen said that the weight limits sign on Eastwood End outside 13-15, needs to be cleared of vegetation to be visible. Cllr Gowing will report. e) Addison Rd. Cllr Davis has arranged for some work to be done to the trees there by CCC on 9th February 2020.	PA																																																																						
014/20	War Memorial playing field	a) WMPF – Cllr Dent reported that the ground is very soggy. The gates have gone for restoration. The lamp posts are leaning slightly and will be monitored. Small roundabout needs attention. Clerk to contact FLP to quote to replace bearings b) new door. Clerk to get quotes. clerk reported that the CCTV system is now up and running. Cllrs P Clark and Hennen will take the lead on its monitoring. Clerk reported that the sign on the brick pillars saying no dogs etc had been covered in paint last week. The CCTV had not caught their faces and as a consequence a quote to trim the	PA PA PA																																																																						

		willow tree had been sought. This had come in at £450.00 to remove the 2 lower large limbs. After discussion resolved to have the work done: Proposed: Cllr Davis Seconded: Cllr P Clark. Clerk to ask if it should be pollarded. Clerk to find out about possibility of tarmacking the entrance to the WMPF.	PA
015/20	Parkfield	a) Cllr Dent to report: There is nothing new to report.	
016/20	New Cemetery/ Churchyard	Ref the churchyard, the church warden had had cones stolen from outside the church, which had been placed in readiness for a funeral.	
017/20	Parish Hall	Clerk had received an e-mail from the neighbour to the Parish Hall re the siting of a skip – this is no longer necessary. However, he asked whether the re-cycling bins could be re-located as at the week-end he had caught youths on top of them, surveying his garden. After discussion resolved to approach Parkfield which is the only other space that could be thought of. Cllr Davis has completed a funding application to Mick George to pay for floor, window and doors	PA
018/20	Allotments		
019/20	Fun Day/Christmas Lights	a) Fun Day: Cllr Dent said that there is to be meeting of the group soon and there is to be a race night on the 7 th March b) Christmas Lights. The lights were all taken down in 1 day and fund-raising events planned. Bacon buttie planned for 4 th April.	
020/20	Correspondence	Clerk and chair had received an e-mail from a Chatteris resident who is planning to open a mobile food van. He has asked to site the van in the Parish Hall car park, Mon – Sat and use hall electricity offering to pay us rent, serving peri peri chicken, kebabs, burgers, kids' meals and vegetarian options. After discussion resolved to reply saying that we cannot accommodate this. Proposed: Cllr Davis; Seconded: Cllr Hennen There is to be a Street Pride litter Pick on Sat 24 th Jan Cllr Hennen will continue to gather wi fi information/costs for pavilion. Cllr Davis asked for suggestions for Pride in Fenland awards. Cllr Harding said that there is a lot of debris at Boots Bridge from car accidents. Cllr Gowing will report	
021/20	Date of next meeting	Next meeting: Tuesday 18 th February 2020 at 19.00 Meeting closed at: 20.30	

Appendix a

Payments	January 2020	NET	VAT	£
Booking clerk	Hall steward duties			98.55
Cleaner	Hall cleaning			164.80
Clerk	Clerk duties incl. home wkg all.			770.33
Handyman	Handyman duties			192.00
Inland revenue	Staff tax & NI			216.84
LGSS	Clerks pension			398.68
Total				1841.20