

Minutes of the meeting of Wimblington Parish Council held on Wednesday 11th January 2023 at Wimblington Parish Hall, Addison Rd. Wimblington PE15 0QT, at 7.00 pm.

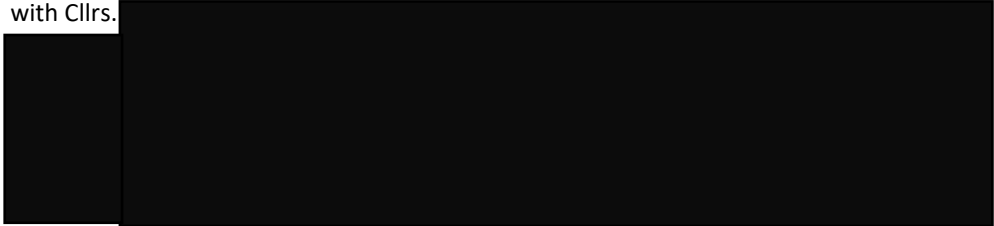
Present M T Davis (Chairman), Mrs P Amos (Clerk), Cllr. Hennen; Cllr. Clark ; Cllr. Abbott; Cllr. Johnson; Cllr. Gowing; Cllr. Dent; Cllr Wright
Mrs Moulton; Mrs Hart; Mrs Kahan; Mr & Mrs Best; Mrs Summers; Mrs Bird; Mrs Morrissey.

Number	Title & Agenda No		Action
001/23	Apologies for Absence - 1	None	
002/23	Absentees	Cllr Harding	
003/23	Chairs Additional items - 1a	None	
004/23	Co-option of new Councillor – Presentations 1b	John Best said that he would be very happy to be a Cllr he is very interested in what happens in the village. He is an accountant and has volunteered in public affairs and was a Community Speedwatch manager and NHB committee treasurer Waltham Abbey and currently fundraiser for local Masons. Members were asked to vote on voting slips provided. Unanimously voted in favour and to co-opt Mr Best as a Parish Council member.	PA
005/23	Declarations of interest - 2	i)declaration: ii)written dispensation requests: There were none. iii)dispensation grants: There are none.	
006/23	Public Participation - 3	Mrs Morrissey said that the walkway between Morley Way and Eaton Estate next to the sub-station still needs to be cut back. Clerk to report again and copy in highways.	PA
007/23	Confirmation of minutes - 4	RESOLVED – that the minutes of meeting held on 8 th December 2022 were correctly recorded and that they be signed as being a true record. Proposed: Cllr. Dent; Seconded: Cllr. Abbott. All in favour. Due to the confidential section of the meeting, a redacted version will be posted on the web site. Redacted version Proposed: Cllr Clark; Seconded: Cllr Abbott	
008/23	Fenland District Council - 5	Cllr Davis reported that there is nothing of substance regarding Wimblington. FDC may not increase their section of the precept. In the Combined Authority precept, they wish to increase /have a Mayoral precept increase to cover the cost of bus services	
009/23	Cambridgeshire County Council - 6	Cllr Gowing reported that there is nothing which affects Wimblington. There have been cutbacks to some local schools	
010/23	Clerks report - 7	Clerk reported that an email received from CHS group indicates that re. the rural exception site at 47 Doddington Rd, they hope to exchange contracts this month.	
011/23	Events group - 8	a) Events proposed: Cllr Dent said that the lights were taken down very quickly within 1 day. Thanks to David Green and Tony Chapman for their help. Meeting planned for next Tuesday evening to plan going forward	
012/23	Other Matters - 9	a) Utilities: Utility Aid were to provide quotes for upcoming utilities, but were unable to do so as providers were not at the time of writing offering contracts for future dates. After discussion Cllrs do not want to lock in anything yet anyway. Proposed: Cllr Hennen. Seconded: Cllr Johnson b) CAPALC vote: Further to an email received and forwarded to Cllrs on 3.1.2023, clerk asked whether Cllrs wished to approve the change to CAPAL's Articles of Association? After discussion resolved to Proposed: Cllr Johnson; Seconded: Cllr. Davis. c) Children crossing signs/LHI bid 2023/4: Further to previous discussion and reply from Cambs CC that they estimate the sort of road marking that we would like would cost no more than £3000.00. With that in mind clerk & chairman completed our LHI bid before the deadline. Agreed to pay up to £500.00 towards the bid.	

013/23	Payments - 10	a) The members to consider the following: accounts for payment:					
		Payments		NET	VAT	£	
		Salaries	*Including pension, tax & NI			2312.28	

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016/23	Planning - 12	Planning: the clerk reported that the following planning applications had been received for comment: a) F/YR22/0784/RM - Reserved Matters application relating to detailed matters of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale pursuant to outline permission F/YR20/1235/O to erect 88 x 2-storey dwellings (10 x 2-bed, 42 x 3-bed and 36 x 4-bed) with associated garages and parking and open space, involving the formation of a new access and an attenuation pond, and amended raised ground levels at land South of Bridge Lane – <i>Concerns that the lowered land will be flooded and possible flood Nursery Gardens. We can't raise valid objections as some of the report is not understandable and lodged in such a way that laymen cannot comment, but there are concerns.</i> Cllr Wright asked if it could be publicised when the artefacts found were going to be at the Museum for viewing? Cllr Davis said to contact the archaeologists who will be included in the planning portal. F/YR22/1393/TRTPO - Works to 1 Walnut tree covered by TPO 4/2003 at 2 Walnut Tree Walk – no objections <i>Cllr Davis did not take part in discussions regarding the above planning applications as she is a member of FDC planning committee.</i> b) Neighbourhood plan: Cllr Johnson said that we have 235 responses to the survey. The consultant said to push on with it. AECOM want to re-arrange their visit and want figures asap. Then we need to push for an open forum with residents. Meeting with group to be arranged for next week.	PA
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017/23	Highway matters/Street lighting/ Transport - 13	a) Street lights reported: Clerk had contacted another provider for maintenance. Their quote had been received at £1395.00 per annum. Our current providers only charge for work done, no annual fee, but they have been struggling with staffing issues. After discussion resolved not to stay with existing provider and continue seeking a new provider. Proposed: Cllr. Hennen. Seconded: Cllr. Johnson Doddington have a man in their village who may take them on for minor faults b) Footpaths and highways issues: Cllr Wright said that on Hook Rd there is a ditch which is blocked and overflowing again. Anglian Water has been out and said that they've resolved the issue. Cllr Davis has contacted someone at CCC who will come back to us tomorrow with their thoughts having visited the site.	MD
018/23	War Memorial playing field - 14	Zip wire tyres are splitting, clerk has sought quote to replace them. Cllr Harding yet to contact schools about having graffiti/images on the pavilion and toilets to cover the current graffiti. Cllr Johnsons' relative has now quoted £800.00 to paint graffiti/art on both buildings. Cllr Harding will contact schools etc now that they are back from Christmas holidays. Cllr Wright will investigate as well. Clerk to chase Knowles re missing concrete piece	JH EW PA
019/23	Parkfield - 15	a) Written report: Not received	
020/23	New Cemetery/ Churchyard - 16	Cllr Dent reported that all is well there.	
021/23	Parish Hall - 17	Clerk reported that when the contractor began removing the kitchen floor surface, he found that several layers below the top covering, there were tiles which are made with asbestos. As an immediate decision had to be made, liaising with the chairman, clerk had arranged for them to be removed and disposed of safely, with the advice from Fenwinds usual asbestos advisor. This will not be confirmed by testing the tiles, as this would have delayed all work for a further 10 days. Hall must be sealed until 11th January. Also upon seeing the wiring which was behind kitchen cupboard clerk asked electrician to attend to advise. Quote of £1100.00. received to rewire the kitchen to safe standard. After discussion resolved to accept the quote and arrange work before the kitchen is re-fitted. Proposed: Cllr. Dent: Cllr Seconded: Cllr. Johnson. Also ask electrician to PAT test the cooker.	PA
022/23	Correspondence /other business -18	Cllr Wright asked whether Parish Council know whether the Summer Show will be continuing. Cllr Dent will liaise with her, but the group is autonomous. Cllr Gowing had received an email from a New York reporter and met him at Boots Bridge. He has written an article about the most 'hit' bridge. Cllr Davis asked the public to leave the meeting as there is something she wished to discuss with Cllrs. 	
023/23	Date of next meeting - 19	Next meeting: Tuesday 14th February 2023 at 19.00 Meeting closed at: 20.20	

Appendix a*

Payments	November 2022	NET	VAT	£
Handyman	Handyman duties			453.38
Clerk	Clerk duties incl. home wkg all.			946.43
Hall steward	Hall steward duties			113.90
Cleaner	Hall cleaning			164.67
Inland revenue	Staff tax & NI			311.68
LGSS	Clerks pension			322.22
Total				2312.28