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A meeting of Wistow Parish Council took place on Tuesday 26th June 2012 at 7.30 pm, with Dr Farrar in the Chair

2012/13-46 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2012/13-46.1 Apologies had been received from Mr Bucknell. It was noted that Mrs Booth had resigned.

PRESENT: Mr Carter, Mrs Coles (Clerk), Dr Farrar, Mr Leigh, Mr Lucas, Mr MacInnes, Mr Pethard and Ms Robinson.

2012/13-47 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2012/13-47.1 Mr MacInnes had attended the last Village Hall Committee meeting as our representative and if agreed as our new permanent representative he would need to declare an interest.

2012/13-48 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

2012/13-48.1 There were no members of the public present

2012/13-49 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON 29TH MAY 2012

2012/13-49.1 The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, having been circulated prior to the meeting were approved.

2012/13-50 MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

The items as listed on the agenda were covered with the following comments:

2012/13-50.1 Dr Farrar also wished to thank the Parish Council for nominating him to go to Burghley for the Jubilee event.

2012/13-51 COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER

2012/13-51.1 There was no PCSO present. There had been a report of another burglary in the village.

2012/13-51.2 The Clerk had emailed Sgt Savill for an update on the situation with crime in the village and it was agreed that his response was not satisfactory. Mr Lucas asked for the communications to be forwarded to him and he would look into the communication issues raised by the Parish Council. It was agreed that it was important to raise local awareness to improve vigilance and to ask Mr and Mrs Williams to put an article in the Warbler to ask if anyone would be prepared to take on the role Neighbourhood Watch coordinator.

2012/13-52 RECEIVE REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

2012/13-52.1 Mr Lucas reported that he had attended a meeting for County and District Councillors regarding the new format for the Neighbourhood Forums. There is some concern regarding the new format and the consultation is being studied. There is a local Joint Committee Meeting which is similar in some ways but not as extensive, there is an agreement in place to set three policing priorities and these will be decided upon at the new forum. There may only be two meetings year, covering smaller geographic areas. At the moment the Police Authority hold the police to account but the new Commissioner will do this job and his ability to attend the meetings will be taken into consideration.

The Parish Council had expressed concern over the quality of the repairs to the potholes on the road between Wistow and Broughton and Mr Lucas suggested that we could be in direct contact with Highways and this is where a Highway Warden would be advantageous. Ms Robinson volunteered to take on the post, Mr Lucas would organise her induction.

With regard to the Street Lighting Seminar, Mr Lucas reported that all CCC street lights are being replaced under a 3 year PFI. He advised that when the consultation for our lighting arrives it should be carefully studied.

2012/13-52.2 Mr Bucknell had sent a report which the Clerk read out and a copy will be attached to these minutes.

2012/12-52.3 Mr Pethard had nothing further to report.

2012/13-53 FINANCE

a) to approve the financial statement

2012/13-53.1 As this had been circulated to Councillors present prior to the meeting, and there were no further comments, it was unanimously confirmed as a true record.

b) to approve payments of outstanding amounts

2012/13-53.2 The payments listed were formally approved and the cheques duly signed

Mrs P Coles May salary and expenses	£235.18
Jubilee expenses – prizes etc	£ 77.48

A cheque for £783.97 for quarterly salary payment, including D Tonks fee was approved.

c) to review cash flow and resolve anticipated issues It was agreed to remove the outstanding sum available for Jubilee celebrations.

d) The Clerk read out the correspondence from CAPALC regarding rules on signatories and confirmed that our procedures comply.

2012/13-54 CORRESPONDENCE

2012/13-54.1 It was agreed that there was nothing that the Parish Council could do regarding parking issues in St John's Close. If it transpires that it is a business issue then this could be dealt with by HDC.

2112/13-54.2 There had been a complaint about overhanging vegetation on the path from Mill Road to Kingston Way, Dr Farrar, Mr Carter and the Clerk would look into this and approach the residents concerned.

2012/13-55 TO CONSIDER ANY PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

2012/13-55.1 1200776FUL Change of use to B2/B8 use, 4 Upwood Air Park, Ramsey Road, Bury. The Parish Council wished to make no comment.

2012/13-55.2 1200928FUL Replacement of conservatory with garden room. Reconfigure adjacent roofs and rebuild existing boundary wall. Chestnuts Farm, Church Street, Wistow. Approval was recommended for the following reasons: would not be detrimental to the character and appearance of the surrounding countryside in accordance with policy En25 of the Huntingdonshire Local Plan 1995 and policy E1 of the Huntingdonshire Development Management DPD Proposed Submission 2010.

would not be significantly detrimental to the amenities of neighbouring occupiers in accordance with policies E7 and E10 of the Huntingdonshire Local Plan 1995 and policy H7 of the Huntingdonshire Development Management DPD Proposed Submission 2010.

2012/13-55.3 Guidance had been received from CAPALC stating that there should not be an exchange of views by email.

2012/13-55.4 A planning application had been received for alterations to the Village Hall. As this had not been received in time to go onto the agenda an extraordinary meeting was agreed for 3rd July at 8pm in the Village Hall. A separate agenda will be issued. The Clerk would check the situation regarding a Declaration of Interest by Mr Leigh as a neighbour of the hall.

2012/13-56 PLAYGROUND MAINTENANCE

2012/13-56.1 It was agreed to proceed with the quote to repair the aerial runway from GB Sport and Leisure, at £468.75 and to proceed with Mr Burton's quote for new bark and painting with preservative. Mr MacInnes would see Mr Burton and run through the spec and ask him to quote for fencing posts.

2012/12-56.2 Some grants may be available for the football issues. Mr MacInnes would look at fencing quotes.

2012/13-57 TOWN AND PARISH CHARTER MEETING/LOCALISM ISSUES

2012/13-57.1 Mr Carter and Ms Robinson had been unable to attend the last meeting which had covered the right to challenge.

2012/13-58 JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

2012/13-58.1 Dr Farrar thanked everyone for their hard work and Mr Lucas for attending and judging the fancy dress. Mr Lucas thanked us for the invitation and said he had enjoyed the afternoon despite the weather.

He left the meeting at 8.40 pm.

2012/13-59 HUNTINGDONSHIRE LOCAL PLAN TO 2036

2012/13-59.1 Dr Farrar, Mr Bucknell and Ms Robinson had responded to the consultation along the lines discussed, stressing that the plan was for housing without the necessary infrastructure. Warboys had sent us details of their response.

2012/13-60 FEEDBACK FROM OPEN MEETING

2012/13-60.1 All issues have now been covered.

2012/13-60.2 Ms Robinson will take up the role of Highway Warden.

2012/13-61 PARISH PLAN ACTION PLAN WORKING PARTIES FEEDBACK AND UPDATE

a) Litter – Mr MacInnes – he is continuing to collect and report as necessary.

b) Countryside – Mr Carter Mr Carter reported that he was still searching for a possible circular walk to Bury but fears defeat.

c) Village Hall – Mr MacInnes will be the new representative. It will be confirmed to the Village Hall Committee that we are only able to provide one representative. Fun Weekend has been the main topic and volunteers are still required for Sunday.

d) Parish Plan Review – Dr Farrar, Mr Carter, Mr Bucknell and Ms Robinson. A meeting will be arranged.

2012/13-62 ITEMS FOR WISTOW WARBLER AND WEB SITE

2012/13-62.1 Neighbourhood Watch, Vacancy on Parish Council, Crime issues and the new 101 number.

2012/13-63 MONTHLY AUDIT – NOMINEE FOR NEXT MEETING

2012/13-63.1 Ms Robinson is our auditor for this month and Mr Carter for next.

2012/13-64 MATTERS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

2012/13-64.1 These will be linked with our Parish Plan

2012/13-64.2 Ms Robinson expressed her feeling that the Parish Council needs to up its game and look at possible training so that a more professional job can be done. Guest speakers could be invited to advise us but it was important to recognise the key issues and identify where a difference can be made. Key objectives need to be set, District Councillors could provide guidance to ensure that the Parish Council continues to work in the best interests of the village.

2012/13-65 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

2012/13-65.1 Tuesday 3rd July 2012 at 8.00 pm in the Village Hall. There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.00 pm

Finance report:

Mrs P Coles - May salary (rates as per minute no. 8e of the meeting dated the 15/12/09) now paid quarterly	£ 235.18 (not paid)
Quarterly salary payment including £16.20 fee to D Tonks	£ 783.97
Expenses: Jubilee prizes etc	£ 77.48

Income for June

Interest from Bank 70p

Balances of Account as at 29th June 2012

Current Account	£2349.12	Deposit account	£15014.05
Cambridge Building Society	£10,000		