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A meeting of Wistow Parish Council took place on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2010 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall with Dr Farrar in the Chair.

2010.83 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE  
2010.83.1 Apologies had been received from Mrs Booth, Mr Leigh, Mr Williams and Mr Bucknell would be late.

PRESENT: Mr Bucknell (7.50 pm), Mr Carter, Mrs Coles (Clerk), Dr Farrar, Mr Lucas, Ms Robinson, and Mr Ward.

2010-84. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST  
2010-84.1 Mr Bucknell declared an interest with regard to any items under Agenda Item 92, as a member of the Huntingdon District Council, and also under item 78 as a member of the Red Tile Wind Farm Trust board.

2010-85. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION  
2010-85.1. There were no members of the public present.

2010-86. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON 31<sup>st</sup> AUGUST 2010  
2010-86.1 The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, having been circulated prior to the meeting were approved.

2010-87 MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY  
2010-87.1 The items as listed on the agenda were covered.  
2010.87.2 The Older People's Newsletter had also been received

2010-88. COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER  
2010-8.1 The Community Liaison Officer was not present.  
2010.88.2 The Street Surgery scheduled for the evening of 8<sup>th</sup> September had been postponed and will be reorganised.  
2010.88.3 The names of the new Chief Constable and Chief Superintendent had been circulated.  
2010.88.3 PCSO Jill had passed the report of speeding tractors on to Stefan in Countryside Watch.  
2010.88.4 The next Neighbourhood Forum would be on Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> October 2010 at 7pm in Warboys.

2010-89. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS  
2010-89.1 Mr Lucas reported that he and Dr Farrar had met Steve Douglas from Highways regarding the C140 Raveley Road, summarised as follows:

The road had to be resurfaced for safety considerations as too much bitumen in the original surface made it slippery. The surface was stripped and recycled to give the new surface which is within specification for a minor road and of better quality and safer than before. There is no specification on ride quality.

No further work will be carried out as no funds are available. This item will now be removed from the agenda.

Mr Lucas mentioned the Neighbourhood Forum on 20<sup>th</sup> October in Warboys.

2010.89.2. Mr Ward reported that HDC are preparing budgets and looking at ways of reducing costs by cutting back on tasks that they are not obliged to carry out, reducing/discontinuing newsletters, no consultants are being used in future.

Dr Farrar asked whether the precept would be capped but there has been no indication of this so far.

2010.89.3 Mr Bucknell added that HDC are debating the restructure of Strategic Health Authorities.

#### 2010-90. FINANCE

a) to approve the financial statement

2010-90.1. As this had been circulated to Councillors present prior to the meeting, and there were no further comments, it was unanimously confirmed a true record.

b) to approve payments of outstanding amounts

2010-90.2 The payments listed were formally approved and the cheques duly signed.

Mrs P Coles September Salary	£221.67
Lee Gray - Grass cutting	£169.58
Stewards – please close the gate	£ 10.00
Mr P Smith builder – village sign	£330.00
ZEN – website renewal fee	£ 68.00

c) to review cash flow and resolve anticipated issues

It was agreed that it was not possible to reissue the Wistow in Bloom cheque in favour of an individual. ***The Clerk would inform the committee.***

Local Government payscales which relate the Clerk's salary had been received. Her salary will remain unchanged for 2010/2011.

#### 2010-91. CORRESPONDENCE

2010-91.1 The invitation to the opening of Catworth village hall had been passed to Mr Wadsworth.

2010.91.2 ***The Clerk would complete the Flooding Memories consultation.***

2010.91.3 Two further items of correspondence had been received – Minerals and Waste Plan Pre-hearing and the Big Society Survey.

#### 2010-92 TO CONSIDER ANY PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

2010-92.1. 1001494FUL –Erection of replacement dwelling and two additional detached houses and garages following demolition of existing. Land at Orchard House, Mill Road. This was approved with provision for obscure glass on two skylight windows on plot 1 overlooking the adjacent bungalow.

2010.93 BROADBAND – FURTHER DISCUSSION FOR THE  
IMPROVEMENT OF SERVICE

2010.93.1. Mr Bucknell had made contact with the Broughton PC and he believed that Mr Leigh was arranging a visit with their contact. ***Agenda for next meeting.***

2010-94 PARISH PLAN ACTION PLAN WORKING PARTIES FEEDBACK  
AND UPDATES

a) Traffic and road issues – Mr Bucknell/Mr Carter/Ms Robinson.

Sunken pavement in Bridge Street – now done, issue with verge opposite, the Clerk had passed on Highways contact details.

Harris Lane – drainage problems – Luminus had now responded and are waiting for permission from Environment Agency to carry out work. Review next month.

Roadside trees impeding bus route, Mr Leigh was absent.

Raveley Road (C140). Already covered.

A response had been received regarding white lines in the village and ***the information will be passed on.***

b) Litter – Ms Robinson/Mrs Booth – Nothing further to report.

c) Countryside – Mr Carter/Dr Farrar As the land owner had declined a request to link up the footpath turning right at the end of Harris Lane, ***Mr Carter would look into whether there was an ancient right of way. He would also contact Mr Juggins regarding cutting the footpath.***

d) Village Hall – Mr Leigh/Mr Williams

Neither Mr Leigh or Mr Williams were present.

The Clerk reported that information on a Public Works loan was available on the website, including information on interest rates etc.

e) Maintenance Issues – Clerk

Village sign – the village sign had now been completed.

Two quotes had been received for the Playground hedge and it was decided to proceed with Mr Longland's quote. ***The Clerk will advise both parties.***

Mr Williams was on the Risk Assessment/bin rota for September and Ms Robinson for October. Ms Robinson had been to the playground and found that the rubbish was overflowing and the aerial runway was badly in need of weeding. ***She agreed to carry out her inspection immediately and the Clerk would ask Mr Williams to do the inspection at the end of October. She would also email those absent to stress the importance of carrying out the risk assessments.***

In order to complete the work at the playground and comply with grant conditions planting needs to be done over the Autumn. Mr Bucknell would look into suppliers and costs. ***Agenda item for next month.***

2010.95

a) Grants – Mr Bucknell/Mrs Booth Mr Bucknell reported that the meeting with the directors of the Red Tile Wind Farm Trust was cancelled for 4<sup>th</sup> October.

Woodford Community and Environmental Fund is match funding.

b) Wistow Bridge – Mr Leigh/Mr Williams Only one quote for the reinstatement of the greens has been received, ***the clerk will forward this to Stephen McGee.*** Turfing was the preferred route.

c) Allotments – The following was resolved:

The tenancy agreement would not be amended to restrict allotment holders to residents of Wistow. Invoices would be sent out at £66.15 per acre.

d) Parish Plan Review – Dr Farrar/Mr Williams/Mr Bucknell/Ms Robinson

A meeting would be arranged for 7.30 on a Tuesday evening at Dr Farrar's, date to be agreed.

2010.96 ITEMS FOR WISTOW WARBLER AND WEBSITE

The possibility of an email newsletter was discussed.

2010.97. MONTHLY AUDIT – NOMINEE FOR NEXT MEETING

2010.80.1. In Mr Leigh's absence Mr Carter was auditor, Mr Leigh was assigned October audit..

2010.81 MATTERS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

PC9 Church Street

White line outside Playground entrance

2010.82 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2010 at 7.30 pm

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.10 pm.

### **FINANCE REPORT for September 2010**

			Paid
Clerk's Salary			
24.5 hours @ £8.344	203.53		
Computer Usage	10.00		
Postage Paid 5 x 32p	1.60		
Paper	6.54	£221.67	28/9/10
Stewards close the gate sign		£ 10.00	28/9/10
Lee Gray – grass cutting		£169.58	28/9/10
P Smith – village sign		£330.00	28/9/10
Zen – Internet renewal		£ 68.00	28/9/10
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>£799.25</b>	

### **Income for September**

Interest £1.84

### **Balances of Account as at 29<sup>th</sup> September 2010**

Current Account	£ 3,561.21
Savings account	£15,003.95