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A meeting of Wistow Parish Council took place on Tuesday, 29th July 2014 at 7.30 pm, with Dr Farrar in the Chair.

2014/15-58 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2014/15-58.1 Apologies had been received from Mr Carter and Mrs Coles

PRESENT: Mr Bucknell, Dr Farrar, Mr Hodson, Mr Leigh, Mr MacInnes and Mr Tew, Ms Robinson had been co-opted to take the minutes, members of the public present were Ms P Parkin, Mr R Payne, Mrs A Curtis, Mrs C Bance, Mr I Williamson, Mrs J Gorman, Mr M Fox.

2014/15-59 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2014/15-59.1 Mr MacInnes wished to declare an interest as a member of the Village Hall Committee.

2014/15-59.2 Mr Hodson wished to declare an interest as he benefits from free parking at Chestnut Farm, relevant to item 67

2014/15-59.3 Mr Bucknell declared interests as follows: any items concerning Planning as a member of the Huntingdon District Council, member of the Liaison Committee for Warboys Landfill Site, the Village Hall Committee, and also Trustee of the Red Tile Wind Farm Trust.

2014/15-59.4 All Parish Councillors as Trustees of the Village Hall

2014/15-59.5 A further reminder was issued that it was necessary to update the Councillors' declarations of interest as trustees of the village hall.

2014/15-60 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

2014/15-60.1 The first issue raised by members of the public was the planning application to be discussed at item 67, 1401057FUL, Church Street, Wistow. Letters objecting to the application had been received by the Parish Council and views from both sides were represented. A pre-application to HDC had been recommended for refusal. It was confirmed that the dog leg on the plan will be removed.

2014/15-60.2 The second issue raised was the location of the proposed new village hall. There was criticism of the lack of consultation with the village and the dissemination of information. Mrs Bance was concerned that her donation of land for the hall would be seen as negative. Dr Farrar explained the position as far as the Parish Council are concerned.

**2014/15-61 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING ON 24TH JUNE 2014**

2014/15-61.1 The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, having been circulated prior to the meeting were approved with the amendment to item 50.1, Fergusons had applied weed killer around the aerial runway.

2014/15-62 MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Items 1 to 9 listed on the agenda were noted with the following comments

2014/15-62.6 Mr Bucknell reported that AmeyCespa had stopped composting in light of the recent problem.

2014/15-63 POLICING MATTERS

2014/15-63.1 Mr MacInnes reported that speeding has reduced in the village. Two sessions of Speedwatch were carried out in July in Bridge Street. He reported that the hedge on the approach to the bridge from the Toll was overgrown and Mr Hodson agreed to approach Mr Blackhurst regarding cutting.

2014/15-63.2 A slight increase in crime figures for the district was shown, no change in Wistow and also an increase in anti social behaviour is reported in Warboys

2014/15-63.3 The surgery on 12th July had been poorly attended but further surgeries would be held and ways to improve advertising would be looked at.

2014/15-64 REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

2014/15-64.1 Mr Tew reported that regritting of the B1040 (Wistow Toll road) is planned to disperse any lying water in an effort to reduce accidents on the top road.

2014/15-64.2 Mr Bucknell reported that District are looking at sharing resources with South Cambs in order to make more savings, further recruitment had taken place.

2014/15-65 FINANCE

a) to approve the financial statement and cashflow prediction for 2014/15

2014/15-65.1 This had been circulated to Councillors present prior to the meeting and was unanimously agreed.

b) to approve payment of outstanding amounts :

Fergusons, grass cutting	£1908.00
Mr MacInnes, expenses	£ 15.50

Income of £68.10 from recycling, cheque for speedwatch signs shown as income as no invoice received.

2014/15-66 CORRESPONDENCE

2014/15-66.1 The invitation to the ACRE AGM would be declined

2014/15-66.2 No further action required as this is not a PC matter

2014/15-67 TO CONSIDER ANY PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

Mr Bucknell left the room

2014/15-67.1 1400946FUL Erection of dry store building and addition of kiln/boiler plant to existing facility. 3 Upwood Air Park Ramsey Road Bury - No comment

2014/15-67.2 1401057FUL Erection of detached dwelling and car port, land north of Thatched Cottage, Church Street, Wistow - Letters from Mr and Mrs Thorpe, Mr and Mrs Fox. The dog leg on the ground plan is to be removed and with that amendment the Parish Council would recommend approval.

Mrs Bance, Mrs Parkin and Mr Payne left the meeting

2014/15-68 HIGHWAY WARDEN'S REPORT

- 2014/15-68.1 Still waiting for information from National Grid, revised quote from SWARCO was no better. Dr Farrar stated that the Parish Council had been disappointed to see their work on MVAS being claimed as an achievement by the Conservative party in their recent election campaign, Mrs Curtis offered an apology.
- 2014/15-68.2 Church Street sign was damaged, Mr Bucknell would report to District.
- 2014/15-68.3 Regarding the white lines at the junction of Parsonage Street and Church Street, Highways would be contacted.

2014/15-69 MAINTENANCE ISSUES

- 2014/15-69.1 Mr MacInnes reported that there had been positive feedback on the improvements made to the playground.
- 2014/15-69.2 There had been no liners in the bins when Mr Bucknell carried out his inspection. Mr Bucknell also complained about the finish following repainting of the gate. It was agreed that it would weather and soften in time. He would refer to his archives regarding the recommended treatment. The new play equipment was to be preserved, Mr Burton and Mr Elmore would be asked to quote.
- Playground inspection rota – Mr Leigh July, Mr Hodson volunteered to do August.
- 2014/15-69.3 Playground inspection for October, £59.95 by PI approved.

2014/15-70 VILLAGE HALL

- 2014/15-70.1 This item was deferred to the August meeting.
- 2014/15-70.2 Receipt of a letter of objection to the proposed new village hall had been received and acknowledged by the Parish Council, Mr Bucknell had also received calls on the subject. One of the issues was the lack of information. Dr Farrar suggested that door knocking should be considered to give residents information on the village hall, the vacancy on the Parish Council, and anything else that is current. He would put together a flyer for the next meeting as a start. Mr Hodson would start work on a facebook page.

2014/15-71 STREETLIGHTS

- 2014/15-71.1 Nothing further
- 2014/15-71.2 Removal of PC1 at a cost of £580 plus VAT was approved.

2014/15-72 PARISH PLAN ACTION PLAN WORKING PARTIES FEEDBACK AND UPDATE

- a) Litter – Mr MacInnes, nothing to report.
- b) Countryside – Mr Hodson, - Mr Hodson reported that the general look of the village was poor, verge on Church Street, opposite Oaklands Avenue is not being cut, Fergusons to be contacted. Mr Hodson will chase uncut footpaths.
- c) Village Hall, Mr MacInnes, Positive response had been received from fun weekend, although numbers were down. Confirmation of date for Cricket was required.
- d) Parish Plan Review – Dr Farrar, Mr Bucknell, Mr Carter – deferred until next meeting.

2014/15-73 ITEMS FOR WISTOW WARBLER AND WEB SITE

2014/15-73.1 Dr Farrar would like an electronic copy of the Warbler to go onto the website.

Mr Fox left the meeting

2014/15-74 MONTHLY AUDIT – NOMINEE FOR NEXT MEETING

2014/15-74.1 Mr Bucknell is our auditor for this month

2014/15-75 MATTERS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

2014/15-75.1 Planting on allotment hedge

2014/15-75.2 Graveyard extension

2014/15-76 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

2014/15-38.1 Tuesday, 26th August 2014 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall. There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.50 pm

Finance report:

Outgoings

Fergusons, grass cutting £1908.00

Mr MacInnes, expenses £ 15.50

Income for July £68.10 recycling

Balances of Account as at 29th July 2014

Current Account £7103.95 Deposit account £5021.49

Cambridge Building Society £10,514.29