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A meeting of Wistow Parish Council took place on Tuesday 29th June 2010 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

2010.20.1 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies had been received from Mr Leigh and Mr Ward, Mr Lucas may be late.

2010.20.2 PRESENT: Mrs Booth, Mr Bucknell, Mr Carter, Mrs Coles (Clerk), Dr Farrar, Mr Lucas (8pm), Ms Robinson, Mr Williams.

2010-21. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2010-21.1 It was noted that as Mr Leigh and Mr Williams are members of the Village Hall Committee, they had declared openly their personal interest under the New Code of Conduct of the Local Government Act 2000, Part 3, and therefore were still able to participate in aspects of business dealing with the Village Hall.

2010-21.2 Mr Bucknell declared an interest with regard to any items under Agenda Item 29, as a member of the Huntingdon District Council.

2010-22. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

2010-22.1. There were no members of the public present

2010-23. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON 18th MAY 2010

2010-23.1 The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, having been circulated prior to the meeting were approved.

2010-24 MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

2010-24.1 The items as listed on the agenda were covered, other information circulated was Luminus news, CCC Mobile Library cuts, Community Action Newsletter, HM Treasury cuts, Impact of New Government.

2010.24.2 It was noted that the closing date for the SHLAA Gypsy and Traveller site consultation had been extended to 30th July 2010.

2010-25. COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER

2010-25.1 The Community Liaison Officer was not present.

2010-26. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

2010-26.1 Mr Lucas reported that the second dressing coat would be applied to Raveley Road by the end of July. He wished to reiterate the huge budget cuts that would have to be made by County.

2010-26.2 Mr Bucknell reported that Local authorities had to make cuts of £1.6billion and HDC would have to save £5million in the next 3 years. Council Tax would be frozen for 2 years and this could affect our precept. The cuts would impact on services.

2010-27. FINANCE

a) to approve the financial statement

2010-27.1. 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

2010-27.2 The payments listed were formally approved and the cheques duly signed.

Mrs P Coles June Salary	£252.93
Absolutely Fabulous events	£ 65.00
All Signs (playground)	£146.88
Grass cutting	£169.58

c) to review cash flow and resolve anticipated issues

2010-27.3. £313.63 was income from recycling

2010-28. CORRESPONDENCE

2010-28.1 Mr Cowling's email had been passed to the History Society

Two Parish Councillors and the Clerk had attended the Planning forum and found it to be informative.

2010-29 TO CONSIDER ANY PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

2010-29.1. 1000732FUL – Erection of garage at Haven, Shillow Hill was approved. ***The Clerk would write giving the relevant planning reasons.***

2010.29.2 1000733FUL – Extension to existing Farm Office, The Retreat, Wistow Toll was approved. ***The Clerk would write giving the relevant planning reasons.***

2010-30 OPEN MEETING 27TH APRIL 2010 – REVIEW

2010-30.1 Darren Trumper from the Environment Agency had informed us that routine clearance had been undertaken. ***Mr Carter was in touch with him and would inspect the work.***

2010-30.2 Mr Carter had tried to collect the dog fouling signs from Mr Cook, who had disposed of them. ***The Clerk would order more along with poo bags.***
Bridge – covered later in the agenda

2010-30.3 The Clerk would contact Ms Thomas regarding the eroding grass crossing and report back at the next meeting.

2010-31. STREEETLIGHT PC9

2010-31.1 Having considered the options Mr Williams proposed and Mr Carter seconded that a column light with 35w CDO-TT at 5m be ordered to replace the broken light. This was unanimously agreed. ***The Clerk would place the order***

2010-32. OFFICIAL PLAYGROUND OPENING 22ND MAY 2010

2010-32.1 It was unanimously agreed that the day had been a great success and Dr Farrar thanked everyone for their hard work. A special thank you to Mr and Mrs Hurford for the use of their electricity supply and to Mr Wadsworth and the Village Hall Committee for their support. Thanks also to The Toddler Group, Cancer Research Committee and the WI for their contribution. ***The Clerk was asked to purchase a bottle of wine for Mr and Mrs Hurford and Dr Farrar would write to them and Mr Wadsworth.***

20.10.33 CHURCH PATH

2010.33.1 Having spoken with Mrs Rogers and Mrs Buddle the edges of the path are the concern. ***The Clerk will arrange a site meeting.***

2010.34 INTERNAL AUDITOR FEE

2010.34.1 Dr Farrar proposed and Mr Bucknell seconded a payment of £50 to Mrs Pye for her services as Internal Auditor. This was unanimously agreed.

2010.35 TRAINING

2010.35.1 It was agreed to place on hold any plans for training.

2010.36 WISTOW IN BLOOM

2010.36.1 A donation of £200 to Wistow in Bloom was agreed for financial year 2010/11.

2010-37. 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 will be repaired no timescale confirmed.

Luminus are arranging a CCTV report in Harris Lane. The Environment Agency have a preference for an open ditch, pipe under driveway should be 450 mm and Mr Lucas suggested that the deeds should reflect this. The District Council will take the lead with repairs and spread the costs. When outcome known a meeting of residents will be called to explain what needs to be done.

Roadside trees impeding bus route, ongoing.

White line outside playground was requested, waiting for team to be mobilised.

b) Litter – Ms Robinson/Mrs Booth – Ms Robinson has a map of the location of litter bins, ongoing, report back next meeting. No fly tipping sign still to be erected.

c) Countryside – Mr Carter/Dr Farrar

Email from Mr Cook was regarding grass cutting on footpaths, not hedges as stated in the Agenda. Dr Farrar had responded to Mr Cook asking for him to highlight the problem areas but no response had been received.

d) Village Hall – Mr Leigh/Mr Williams

Mr Williams reported that the arrangements for Fun weekend were in hand and Music night tickets were available.

Mr Wadsworth had asked if the PC would cut the graveyard hedge but this is the responsibility of the PCC.

e) Maintenance Issues – Clerk

Village sign – having asked for quotes for the repair of the sign, it had been recommended that due to the crack in the brickwork and the poor condition of the existing base it would be prudent to start again. ***Further quotes would be sought for the base to be rebuilt as per the original drawings.***

Mr Carter had highlighted some minor issues at the playground which ***he undertook to rectify.***

There had been several complaints about the use of weedkiller in the graveyard and around trees in the playground. ***The Clerk would contact the contractor.***

2010-38. a) Grants – Mr Bucknell/Mrs Booth. A further grant had been agreed by the Red Tile Wind Farm Trust for the extra pathway at the Playground. ***The Clerk would forward the invoice.***

No application would be made to the Jointly Funded Minor Improvements Grant as traffic calming is now complete as a result of the work on the Bridge.

b) Wistow Bridge – Mr Leigh/Mr Williams The state of the greens is clearly unacceptable. ***The Clerk would email Mr McGee and ask for urgent resolution of the problems.***

c) Allotments – An application had been received from Mr Peter Burton, this would be considered in August with the others.

d) Parish Plan – Dr Farrar/Mr Williams/Mr Bucknell/Ms Robinson
Dr Farrar and Ms Robinson would meet with a view to having a leaflet available at Sports Day.

2010-39. ITEMS FOR WISTOW WARBLER AND WEBSITE,

2010-39.1 Revised contact details for Parish Council

Write up on open day at Playground and thank you.

20. MONTHLY AUDIT – NOMINEE FOR NEXT MEETING

20.1. Mr Bucknell was our June auditor, Mr Carter will be July.

21. MATTERS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

Rooks Grove Hedge

White line outside Playground entrance

20. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 27th July 2010 at 7.30 pm

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.05 pm.

FINANCE REPORT for June 2010

			Paid
Clerk's Salary			
29 hours @ £8.344	241.97		
Computer Usage	10.00		
Postage Paid 1 x 66p, 1 x 30p	96	£251.96	29/6/10
Lee Gray – grass cutting		£169.58	29/6/10
Absolutely Fabulous events – bouncy castle		£ 65.00	22/5/10
All Signs – playground sign		£146.88	29/6/10
Internal Auditor		£ 50.00	29/6/10
Wistow in Bloom		£200.00	29/6/20
TOTAL		£ 883.42	

Income for June

Interest on savings account £1.12

Recycling money £313.63

Balances of Account as at 29th June 2010

Current Account	£ 5,540.57
Savings account	£15,002.11