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A meeting of Wistow Parish Council took place on Tuesday 31st August 2010 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall with Mr Leigh in the Chair.

2010.63 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2010.63.1 Apologies had been received from Dr Farrar and Mr Lucas.

PRESENT: Mrs Booth, Mr Bucknell, Mr Carter, Mrs Coles (Clerk), Mr Leigh, Ms Robinson, Mr Ward, Mr Williams.

2010-64. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2010-64.1 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.

2010.64.2 Mr Bucknell declared an interest with regard to any items under Agenda Item 72, as a member of the Huntingdon District Council, and also under item 78 as a member of the Red Tile Wind Farm Trust board.

2010-65. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

2010-65.1. There were no members of the public present.

2010.65.2 Mrs Booth had been approached by a neighbour who could not be present but wished to raise the issue of farm traffic driving through Bridge Street at speed at night. ***Mr Bucknell would speak with our PCSO.***

2010-66. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON 27TH JULY 2010

2010-66.1 The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, having been circulated prior to the meeting were approved.

2010-67 MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

2010-67.1 The items as listed on the agenda were covered.

2010-68. COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER

2010-68.1 The Community Liaison Officer was not present.

2010.68.2 A Street Surgery was scheduled for the evening of 8th September.

2010.68.3 PCSOs had caught 14 motorists speeding through Wistow at a recent speed check, they would receive letters.

2010-69. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

2010-69.1 Mr Bucknell reported that the 'Green' houses in St Ives would be completed by the end of September, and that on 13th October 'Local Democrat Day' the public would be able to look round the new Pathfinder House.

2010-70. FINANCE

a) to approve the financial statement

2010-70.1. 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

2010-70.2 The payments listed were formally approved and the cheques duly signed.

Mrs P Coles August Salary	£194.52
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Grass cutting	£169.58
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The Clerk reported an error of £10 on her last month's salary which was adjusted this month.

c) to review cash flow and resolve anticipated issues

An error on the spreadsheet calculation needed to be corrected. ***The Clerk would make the amendment.***

2010-71. CORRESPONDENCE

2010-71.1 Details of the Library Service would be passed to Mr Dransfield for the next Warbler.

2010.71.2 It was decided to respond to a string of emails from Mr Cook to Dr Farrar regarding several matters on the agenda by asking him to read the minutes of the meeting and to invite him to raise any other issues at the Public Participation item on the agenda.

2010.71.3 ***The Clerk was actioned to contact BT to ask for a date when the telephone box would be removed and the site made good.***

2010.71.4 The invitation to the ACRE AGM was declined.

2010-72 TO CONSIDER ANY PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

2010-72.1. 1001355FUL –Side extension to form ensuite and enlarged bathroom at 4 Oaklands Close, Wistow.

2010.72.2 1001133CAC Demolition of existing garage and utility room and 1001132FUL Erection of new garage, utility room and garden room and to render entire dwelling, The Willows, Manor Street, Wistow

These applications were approved ***and the Clerk would inform HDC accordingly.***

2010-73 OPEN MEETING 27TH APRIL 2010 – REVIEW

2010-73.1 ***Mr Carter was going to check footpaths at the weekend.***

It was agreed to remove this item from the agenda for the next meeting.

2010-74 ANNUAL INSURANCE RENEWAL – CAME & CO

2010-74.1 It was unanimously agreed to proceed with renewal and a cheque was raised and signed.

2010.75 LOCAL REFERENDUMS TO VETO EXCESSIVE COUNCIL TAX INCREASES

2010.75.1. It was unanimously agreed to use the CPALC model responses to the consultation on precept. ***The Clerk would email them.***

2010.76 BROADBAND

2010.76.1 Mr Bucknell would contact Broughton PC regarding the work they are carrying out on broadband in their village. It was suggested that it should be added as an action point on working parties feedback, further discussion next month (***add to agenda***)

2010-77. 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 – Ms Robinson reported that the work is scheduled to be completed by mid October, ***she will forward emails to Mr Lucas and Mr Bucknell. She will also report the pot hole in Church Street.***

Harris Lane – drainage problems – the Clerk had chased but a response was awaited from Paul Rouse from Luminus. She had contacted Luminus to establish his line manager but ***Mr Bucknell would contact a senior member of staff. The Clerk would forward the emails to him.***

Roadside trees impeding bus route, Mr Leigh waiting for a response.

Raveley Road (C140). The road is still most unsatisfactory, ***the Clerk was actioned to email Mr Lucas to ask him to take it further with CCC.***

Winter gritting routes had been confirmed and the hill is on the gritting schedule but could be removed if supplies run low.

The PC had been asked why the village has no white lines in the roads, ***the Clerk would email Mr Lucas to provide the answer and also to ask about the condition of the road between Wistow and Broughton.***

b) Litter – Ms Robinson/Mrs Booth – The Clerk reported that there are 8 bins on our asset register. Due to liability implications it was decided not to erect a post and fly tipping sign.

c) Countryside – Mr Carter/Dr Farrar A map of the Parish footpaths had been received. Training course not relevant. Mr Carter wants to write to the land owner to request a permissive path to complete the circular walk. ***Mr Bucknell has a contact to ask. Add to agenda for next month to discuss further.***

d) Village Hall – Mr Leigh/Mr Williams

Mr Williams reported that a representative from Cambs Acre had been to the last meeting to advise on raising money for the extension and on energy/money saving schemes. There is loan facility available to the Parish Council which could be considered if there is a shortfall on grants. ***The Clerk will make enquiries.***

e) Maintenance Issues – Clerk

Village sign – it was agreed to ask Mr Smith to proceed as long as there was no change in his quote due to elapse of time. **Mr Bucknell will contact him.**

The Clerk will obtain quotes for hedge cutting at the playground.

Mr Carter and Mr Williams still need to liaise with Mr Gray regarding grass cutting issues.

Mr Leigh was on the Risk Assessment/bin rota for August and Mr Williams for September.

2010.78

a) Grants – Mr Bucknell/Mrs Booth Mr Bucknell had compiled the information required by CCC with regard to the playfunding grant. The Clerk passed on copies of invoices to complete the information.

It was agreed to invite the Red Tile Wind Farm Trust directors to visit in October.

b) Wistow Bridge – Mr Leigh/Mr Williams Mr Leigh reported that Mr McGee from CCC had visited the site. The overhanging trees and general maintenance was now the responsibility of Highways. Quotes should be obtained to reinstate the greens and passed onto Mr McGee for his action. **A form of words to ensure the quotations were on a level basis would be agreed by Mr Leigh and Mr Williams.**

c) Allotments – The following was resolved:

The Clerk would write to Mr Garton and Mr Judge asking them to reinstate their allotment plots prior to 10th October when the tenancy ends.

Mr Manwaring would be offered plot 1, should he not want it then it would go to Mr Bowd.

Mr Bowd would be allocated 2, 3 and 4.

Mr Ray Burton would be allocated 52 and 53.

The Clerk would write to Mr Peter Burton to confirm that his application had not been successful. Miss Rice had not replied to the Clerk's email and was therefore assumed not to be interested.

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

In his absence Dr Farrar was assigned the task of organising the first meeting.

2010-79. ITEMS FOR WISTOW WARBLER AND WEBSITE,

2010-79.1 Library times and a reminder about www.fixmystreet.com

2010.80. MONTHLY AUDIT – NOMINEE FOR NEXT MEETING

2010.80.1. Mr Williams was our August auditor, Mr Leigh will audit September.

2010.81 MATTERS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

Rooks Grove Hedge – Clerk to write to Mr and Mrs Juggins

White line outside Playground entrance

Church path

2010.82 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 28th September 2010 at 7.30 pm

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.20 pm.

FINANCE REPORT for August 2010

			Paid
Clerk's Salary			
22 hours @ £8.344	183.56		
Computer Usage	10.00		
Postage Paid 3 x 32p	96	£194.52	
Less £10 overpaid last month		£184.52	31/08/10
Lee Gray – grass cutting		£169.58	31/08/10
Insurance renewal – Came & Co		£992.10	31/08/10
TOTAL		£1346.20	

Income for August

Red Tile Wind Farm Trust £800

Balances of Account as at 27th August 2010

Current Account	£ 4,907.41
Savings account	£15,002.11