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A meeting of Wistow Parish Council took place on Tuesday, 27th May 2014 following the Annual General Meeting, with Mr Carter in the Chair.

2014/15-20 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2014/15-20.1 Apologies had been received from Mr Hodson

PRESENT: Mr Bucknell, Mr Carter, Mrs Coles (Clerk), Dr Farrar, Mr Leigh, Mr MacInnes and Mr Tew. Ms Robinson as a member of the public.

2014/15-21 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2014/15-21.1 Mr MacInnes wished to declare an interest as a member of the Village Hall Committee.

2014/15-21.2 Mr Carter wished to declare an interest as a member of the Village Hall Building Committee

2014/15-21.3 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.

2014/15-21.4 The Clerk would confirm whether it was necessary to update the Councillors' declarations of interest as trustees of the village hall.

2014/15-21.5 Dispensations were discussed and granted for Precept and Village Hall matters.

2014/15-22 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

2014/15-22.1 None

2014/15-23 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON 29TH APRIL 2014

2014/15-23.1 The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, having been circulated prior to the meeting were approved.

2014/15-24 MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Items 1 to 4 listed on the agenda were noted with no further comments

2014/15-25 POLICING MATTERS

2014/15-25.1 Three Speedwatch sessions had been carried out since the last meeting. There was a 'customer' caught at 53 mph, who had been caught before and action would now be taken, another driver was caught at 60 mph and he would receive a visit from the police.

2014/15-25.2 Crime figures were regularly updated on the new Ecops system.

2014/15-25.3 The next Forum meeting is on 5th June at Ramsey Methodist Church.

2014/15-25.4 The idea of a quarterly police surgery was welcomed. Mr Bucknell and Mr Tew would like to be involved. It was agreed to allocate a budget of £40 per year to pay for the hire of the hall.

2014/15-26 REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

2014/15-26.1 Mr Tew reported that there had been more accidents on Shillow Hill. There was a patching order for Wistow Toll which should happen within 28 days. There was concern that accidents were still happening as it was not due to reckless driving and efforts needed to be made to remove the 'film' that appeared to be on the road. He also reported that the new committee system had started at County, there were 5 committees with 17 members, Mr Tew is on Highways and Adult Health.

2014/15-26.2 Mr Bucknell reported that he had spoken to Planning regarding the UPVC window in the Three Horseshoes and it was agreed that it would have little impact and no further action would be taken on this occasion. HDC are going over to tablets in order to reduce paperwork. The by-election following the sad death of Mr Pethard would take place on 7th August 2014. Mr Bucknell also reported that he would be in line for Chairman of the District Council next year and this could impact on his ability to remain as a Parish Councillor.

2014/15-27 FINANCE

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

2014/15-27.1 This had been circulated to Councillors present prior to the meeting and was unanimously agreed.

b) to approve payment of outstanding amounts :

Ray Burton – bins in playground	£38.00
Mrs W Pye – internal audit	£50.00
CAPALC Membership	£174.27

c) It was agreed that Mr MacInnes would become a signatory on the Barclays bank account and Mr Bucknell on the Cambridge Building Society account.

2014/15-28 CORRESPONDENCE

2014/15-28.1 Further correspondence from Ms Leaton regarding grass cutting on Oaklands Close, as the land did not belong to HDC the Clerk had contacted Luminus and no further correspondence would be entered into. It was suggested that those having the benefit of the land might share the maintenance.

2014/15-28.2 It was agreed to renew membership of CAPALC at a cost of £174.27

2014/15-29 TO CONSIDER ANY PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

2014/15-29.1 None received

2014/15-29.2 Notification of a change of name of Caer Glow, Mill Road.

2014/15-30 HIGHWAY WARDEN'S REPORT

2014/15-30.1 With regard to the MVAS, National Grid survey outstanding.

2014/15-30.2 The District Council are responsible for street name signs.

2014/15-31 MAINTENANCE ISSUES

2014/15-31.1 & 2 Thanks to Mr MacInnes and Dr Manwaring for their hard work . Bins have been set.

2014/15-31.3 Playground inspection rota and forms are up to date, Mr Bucknell is June.

2014/15-32 ANNUAL AUDIT

2014/15-32.1 A payment of £50 was approved to Mrs Pye as a token of appreciation following Internal Audit.

2014/15-32.2 Our accounting procedures must be reviewed annually at the time of audit and there were no recommendations other than to keep current procedures.

2014/15-33 FEED BACK FROM OPEN MEETING, 29TH APRIL 2014

2014/15-33.1 The Streetlight Surgery had taken place on 13th May and feedback from residents was taken on board by Balfour Beatty.

2014/15-34 PARISH PLAN ACTION PLAN WORKING PARTIES FEEDBACK AND UPDATE

- a) Litter – Mr MacInnes, dog fouling is an ongoing problem, vigilance is encouraged.
- b) Countryside – Mr Hodson, in his absence Mr Hodson had drafted a letter to go out to farmers asking them to cut footpaths. However, it was agreed that it would be more appropriate to approach farmers personally where a footpath was overgrown.
- c) Village Hall, Mr MacInnes, the AGM would be held on 10th June.
- d) Parish Plan Review – Dr Farrar, Mr Bucknell, Mr Carter – ongoing

2014/15-35 ITEMS FOR WISTOW WARBLER AND WEB SITE

2014/15-35.1 Vacancy for a Parish Councillor

2014/15-35.2 More volunteers required for speedwatch

2014/15-35.3 Energy Switch

2014/15-36 MONTHLY AUDIT – NOMINEE FOR NEXT MEETING

2014/15-36.1 Mr Carter is our auditor for this month, Mr Bucknell for next.

2014/15-37 MATTERS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

2014/15-37.1 Planting on allotment hedge

2014/15-37.2 Graveyard extension

2014/15-37.3 Preservation of playground equipment

2014/15-38 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

2014/15-38.1 Tuesday, 24th June 2014 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall. There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.35 pm

Finance report:

Outgoings

Ray Burton – bins in playground	£38.00
Mrs W Pye – internal audit	£50.00
CAPALC Membership	£174.27

Income for May £325 Red Tile Wind Farm Trust – bus shelter, £474.33 from CCC for grass cutting

Balances of Account as at 29th May 2014

Current Account	£8249.46	Deposit account	£5020.86
Cambridge Building Society	£10,514.29		