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A meeting of Wistow Parish Council took place on Tuesday 28th June 2011 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall, with Dr Farrar in the Chair

2011/12-42 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2011/12-42.1 Apologies had been received from Mr Leigh and Mr Lucas

PRESENT: Mrs Booth, Mr Bucknell, Mr Carter, Mrs Coles (Clerk), Dr Farrar, Ms Robinson, Mr Ward, and Mr Williams

2011/12-43 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2011/12-43.1 It was noted that as Mrs Booth is a member of the Village Hall Committee, she had declared openly her personal interest under the New Code of Conduct of the Local Government Act 2000, Part 3, and therefore was still able to participate in aspects of business dealing with the Village Hall.

2011/12-43.2 Mr Bucknell declared an interest with regard to any items under Agenda Item 51 as a member of the Huntingdon District Council, wished to declare an interest as a member of the Village Hall Committee and Trustee of the Red Tile Wind Farm Trust.

2011/12-44 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

2011/12-44.1 There were no members of the public present.

2011/12-45 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON 31st MAY 2011.

2011/12-45.1 The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, having been circulated prior to the meeting were approved.

2011/12-46 MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

The items as listed on the agenda were covered.

2011/12-47 COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER

2011/12-47.1 PCSO was not present.

2011/12-47.2 There had been a distraction burglary in Oaklands Close.

2011/12-47.3 The next Neighbourhood Forum would be on 19th July at Mereside Village Hall. It was agreed that Wistow should be represented.

2011/12-48 TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

2011/12-48.1 Mr Bucknell reported that there was a bid to make the old Alconbury air field an enterprise zone, it would be a joint venture between District and County Councils and incentives are given for providing jobs such as rate relief. It would be one of five enterprise zones in the UK and would be a 4 to 5 year plan. Whether the bid is accepted will be known in October.

2011/12-48.2 Mr Ward reported that Terry Parker and Malcolm Sharp were the new Managing Directors of HDC and their roles had been defined to enable plans to be made to move ahead. There had been a report on health and those of us in Huntingdonshire enjoy a longer life expectancy than other areas. There are areas of health inequalities, such as St Neots, Ramsey and Huntingdon North. It was asked whether this information was to be used to make improvements and to tackle alcoholism and drug addiction. Surveys are being used as a good indicator of where problems are so that they can be tackled in the future.

2011/12-49 FINANCE

a) to approve the financial statement

2011/12-49.1 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

2011/12-49.2 The payments listed were formally approved and the cheques duly signed, with the exception of the Clerk's salary which was approved for payment later

Mrs P Coles June Salary	£169.93
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Fergusons grass cutting	£14949.00
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c) to review cash flow and resolve anticipated issues

d) Rates with other establishments did not compare with those offered by Cambridge Building Society, it was therefore unanimously agreed to open a 1 year bond with CBS for £10,000 at a rate of 2.05%. ***The Clerk would make the necessary arrangements.***

2011/12-50 CORRESPONDENCE

2011/12-50.1 No further action was required on correspondence.

2011/12-51 TO CONSIDER ANY PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

2011/12-51.1. 1100735FUL Extension to existing farmhouse, Dorringtons Farm House, Cross Drove, Wistow, PE28 2QW. This was approved.

2011/12-52 OPEN MEETING REVIEW

2011/12-52.1 Litter bin at bridge near salt bin is ongoing and being monitored by HDC

2011/12-52.2 Footballers at bus stop, PCSO Jill will monitor, an article to make parents aware was in the Warbler.

2011/12-52.3 Phone box on Church Street is ongoing, notices are up.

2011/12-52.4 Grass cutting issues solved

2011/12-52.5 HGVs will continue to be monitored

This item will be removed from the agenda

2011/12-53 PARISH PLAN ACTION PLAN WORKING PARTIES FEEDBACK AND UPDATES

a) Traffic and road issues – Mr Bucknell/Mr Carter/Ms Robinson.
Harris Lane, Luminus are proceeding with their houses, ***Clerk to chase Environment Agency regarding 7 and 8***
Hawthorn hedges at Wistow Toll, ***the Clerk will contact Mrs Normington for information.***

b) Litter – Ms Robinson/Mrs Booth – nothing to report

c) Countryside – Mr Carter/Dr Farrar Mr Carter will attend the P3 meeting on 21st July.

d) Village Hall – Mrs Booth

Mrs Booth reported that the constitution states that the Parish Council will provide 2 representatives for the Village Hall Committee. Concern had been expressed if the road works continue over Fun Weekend.

e) Maintenance Issues – Clerk

Playground: Mr Carter needed to borrow a drill to fit the see saw panels, he had realigned the bolts on the gate but it had fallen again.

Mr Williams had still to look at the layout in the playground.

Mr Bucknell offered to do two inspections in July.

2011/12-54

a) Grants – Mr Bucknell/Mrs Booth

b) Wistow Bridge – Mr Leigh/Mr Williams Removal of the new road layout sign and one Wistow sign had been requested.

c) Allotments – nothing to report.

d) Parish Plan Review – Dr Farrar/Mr Bucknell/Ms Robinson. A letter had been received from ACRE indicating that funds may be available. Dr Farrar and Ms Robinson would approach villagers for feedback at the Fun Weekend.

2011/12-54 ITEMS FOR WISTOW WARBLER AND WEB SITE

2011/12-54.1 Nothing at present

2011/12-55. MONTHLY AUDIT – NOMINEE FOR NEXT MEETING

2011/12-55.1 Mr Carter was our auditor this month and Ms Robinson was nominated for July.

2011/12-56 MATTERS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

2011/12-56.1 White line outside Playground entrance – this was ordered but a cheque was required for £86.50, this agreed and raised.

2011/12-56.2 Review condition of salt bins

2011/12-56.3 Parking in Manor Street – nothing can be done unless drives are blocked.

2011/12-57 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

2011/12-57.1 Tuesday 26th July 2011 at 7.30 pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.25 pm.

FINANCE REPORT for June 2011

			Paid
Clerk's Salary			
19 hours @ £8.344	158.54		
Computer Usage	10.00		
Postage Paid ,	1.39	£ 169.93	
Fergusons, grass cutting		£1494.00	28/6/11
Cambs County Council, white line		£ 103.80	28/6/11
TOTAL		£1597.80	

Income for June £1.87 interest

Balances of Account as at 29th June 2011

Current Account £11038.59 Deposit account £15,009.56