

WISTOW PARISH COUNCIL

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A meeting of Wistow Parish Council took place on Tuesday 26th September 2017 at 7.30 pm, in the Village Hall, with Mr Carter in the Chair.

10.17.01 To receive and approve Apologies for Absence

10.17.01.1 Apologies had been received from Mr Bucknell, Mrs Emery, Mr Gregory, Mr Rogers and Mrs Tavener

10.17.06.2 Present: Mr Carter, Mrs Coles, Ms Leaton, Mr Leigh, Mr MacInnes, Mr Waller, Members of the public, Mr Tew and Mr Twigden.

10.17.02 To receive Declarations of Interest

a) All Parish Councillors as Trustees of the Village Hall

b) Mr MacInnes and Ms Leaton as members of the Village Hall Committee

c) Mr Carter and Mr MacInnes declared an interest as a members of the Keep Wistow Flowing Group.

10.17.03 Public Participation

No members of the public wished to speak

10.17.04 Approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 26th September 2017

10.17.04.1 Having been circulated prior to the meeting the above minutes were approved as a true record and signed.

10.17.05 Matters for information only

10.17.05.1 Countryside Alliance Oscar nominations

10.17.05.2 ACRE consultation on Cambs Local Council Development Plan

10.17.05.3 Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment consultation 4/10 - 3/11/17

10.17.05.4 CAPALC AGM 7th December 2017 at 7pm in Impington, Mr Carter and Mr MacInnes will attend.

10.17.05.5 Growing a rural community survey

10.17.05.6 Invite from the High Sheriff of Cambridgeshire to a Remembrance Service in Huntingdon on 19th November. No attendees from Wistow.

10.17.05.7 Came & Co Newsletter

10.17.06 Policing Matters

10.17.06.1 Speedwatch and MVAS Update. The MVAS data collected is very useful to organize speedwatch. There is a car speeding at 70mph around 6 am, most speeding occurs between 5 and 7 pm and 1 to 3 pm. Mr Carter and Mr MacInnes would be out between 1 and 3 tomorrow, 1st November and a 5 to 7 pm session would be planned for next week. Generally 85% of traffic goes through the village at under 33 mph

10.17.06.2 ECops updates (various) Weekly Policing Updates. Oaklands Avenue subject to shed thefts, some tools have been stolen but two attempts left empty handed.

10.17.07 To receive reports from County and District – Mr T Rogers, Mr P Bucknell and Mrs J Tavener as all County and District Councillors had sent apologies, there were no reports.

10.17.08 Finance

a) the Financial Statement and Cashflow for October was approved,
b) payment of following amounts was approved with the exception of the CGM invoice where the cheque will be prepared but not sent:

Clerks salary and expenses	£345.42
CGM grass cutting	£ 78.00
Warboys PC, Chairman training	£ 15.00
HDC playground rent	£100.00
LGS payroll, 13 months	£85.80
Balfour Beatty	£377.64
Ray Burton, church steps	£170.00

10.17.08 Income for October: £1158.01 allotment rent

10.17.09 Correspondence

10.17.09.1 Letter from Mr John Wiltshire on behalf of Ramshed, asking for a donation to funds. A donation of £50 was agreed.

10.17.09.2 Letter from Mr Ted Benson requesting permission to carry out exploratory work on the verge on Mill Road due to drainage problems. Permission would be granted but it would be made clear that the Parish Council do not own or have any responsibility for any assets in the verge and that suitable permission from Highways and Anglia Water must be obtained.

10.17.10 To consider any Planning Applications received and planning related issues

10.17.10.1 17/02166/TREE T1 – Horse Chestnut – crown reduction of 2m and bringing in of lower lateral limbs due to decay and risk of limbs failing
T2 – Sycamore – crown reduction of 2m to prevent interference with phone and electric cables
Chestnut House, Church Street, Wistow. A further consultation had been received for the same work but with a different reference number. The Clerk had reported this to HDC and confirmed that only two trees are involved. There was no objection to this work being carried out and indeed it was noted that the sycamore was already growing through the overhead wires.

10.17.11 Highways Report/Traffic Matters

10.17.11.1 Information from CCC on road works events

10.17.11.2 Proposed 40mph and 50mph Speed Limits - Ramsey Road, Upwood & The Raveleys and Wistow this was a joint venture between Upwood and Bury. Mr Leigh asked whether a limit of 30 mph could be imposed on the B1040 due to the amount of accidents. 30 mph is usually imposed at the entrance to a village. It is necessary to gather evidence and details of accidents are shown on the CCC website. Any speed calming measures or changes in speed limits can be dealt with under the Local Highways Initiative which will come round again next summer. This helps with costs.

10.17.11.3 There is concern that the 30 bus route will be ended in the new year. Mr Tew confirmed that a community bus service is being looked at and other options will be considered.

10.17.12 Maintenance Issues

10.17.12.1 Playground – update, Mr Carter, Mr MacInnes and Ms Leaton. Wickstead is the chosen supplier for the new equipment and Mr Carter and Mr MacInnes are attending a funding seminar next week. Once confirmation of costs and available funds have been received it should all move along. There is now some urgency to get this tied up so that we have the new equipment in place for next season. Mr MacInnes asked for approval to buy weed killer, a new spray and a new battery for the power tools used in the playground, expected total cost £150. This was approved.

10.17.12.2 Playground rota/risk assessment forms, May, Mr Leigh,
September Mrs Emery, October, Mr MacInnes and November Mr Leigh

10.17.12.3 Update on Church steps repair –done.

10.17.13 Administration Matters

10.17.13.1 More policies have been prepared for review, these are more relevant to a small Council and once reviewed can be adopted.

10.17.13.2 Update on Keep Wistow Flowing. The ACV has been awarded and declaration of intention to dispose of the pub has been recorded. This gives KWF an initial six week period to make a bid for the pub and then a further 6 months to tie it all up. The steering group are putting a prospectus together which will describe the business model. This should be available by the end of November. The Clerk had made initial enquiries through CAPALC on a Public Works Loan in order to assist with the purchase of the pub and a meeting is being set up to learn exactly what is required.

10.17.13.3 The Clerk and Mr Carter had put together an initial budget for next year which was circulated for discussion. The Precept needs to be finalized at the next meeting.

10.17.13.4 Annual Playground inspection, this has been ordered and will take place before the end of November.

10.17.13.5 Allotment invoices all issued and paid.

10.17.13.6 Feedback on Parish Conference on 9th October. Mr Carter and Mr Tew attended and it was much better organized. Mr Tew will be attending the County version on 17th November.

10.17.14 Working Parties Feedback and Updates

- a- Litter Mr MacInnes Portaloo has now been taken away
- b- Countryside Mr Gregory, absent

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- c- Village Hall Mr MacInnes/Ms Leaton, a meeting is scheduled.
Mr MacInnes to check Ms Leaton’s contact details.
- d- Website Mrs Janiak-Emery, absent
- e- Trees/Grass Mr Waller, the grass cutting in the playground is unacceptable. Mr Waller will be contacting CGM to discuss and resolve the issues.

10.17.15 Items for the Wistow Warbler and Wistow Web site.

To note any relevant information. Stay well this winter information.

10.17.16 Monthly audit

Mr MacInnes is our auditor for October, Mr Waller volunteered for November

10.17.17 Matters for future consideration

10.17.17.1 Community Plan

10.17.17.2 Community Defibrillator to be discussed November meeting, Ms Leaton has already been in touch with the British Heart foundation to ask about a grant.

10.17.18 Date of next meeting

Tuesday, 28th November 2017 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall

Close of Meeting

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Finance Report

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Balance as at 29th October 2017

Current account £10,591.20

Deposit account £15,800.08