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| **WISTOW PARISH COUNCIL****THE APPROVED MINUTES WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE WISTOW VILLAGE WEBSITE**[**www.wistowvillage.info**](http://www.wistowvillage.info) **ONCE THE COUNCIL HAS APPROVED THEM.** |
| A meeting of Wistow Parish Council took place on Tuesday 22nd February 2022 at 7.30pm at the Village Hall, Manor Street, Wistow, Cambs. |
| **02.22.01****02.2201.01****02.22.02****02.22.02.01****02.22.02.02** | **Present**Cllr. C Leaton (Chair), Cllr. J Bradford, Cllr. J Gregory, Cllr. T Harris and Cllr N Simms.**In Attendance**Mr. M Woolhouse – Clerk to the CouncilCllr. M Haines - HDC (until minute 02.22.06.01)Four members of the public were present. |
| **02.22.03****02.22.03.01** | **Apologies for Absence**Cllrs. R Waller and J Wiltshire and Cllr. G Bull – HDC |
| **02.22.04****02.22.04.01** | **Declarations of Interest**Declarations were noted for all Parish Councillors as Trustees of the Village Hall. There were no other pecuniary interests to declare in respect of business to be transacted. |
| **02.22.05****02.22.05.01****-1458-** | **Public Participation:**PlaygroundA group of three younger residents spoke about possible additions to the playground. The first point that they made was the contrast with the Warboys playground which catered for older children. The second point was the suggestion to add to the playground of items which, in no particular order, were* shelter
* picnic area, tables and chairs
* small trampoline
* basketball hoop
* sandpit
* interactive noughts and crosses
* wild garden, including more trees

Cllr Haines commented that the district council had a rewilding specialist who could be able to assist.The meeting discussed the ideas and requested that the group let the council know of the list in order of the group’s priority to assist feasibility planning and funding. |
| **02.22.06.****02.22.06.01** | **District and County Councillor reports** Cllr. M Haines - Huntingdonshire DCAffordable housingCllr. Haines reported that there were 7 applications under proposal with the keystone being the Warboys site of c70 homes. Longhurst residents had already submitted 30+ letters opposing any building. Cllr. Haines commented that he would support residents but cautioned against being vocal before proposals were published. The Clerk added that Pamela Scott at HDC had stated she would meet Wistow residents when plans were published for Oaklands Avenue. Cllr Haines left the meeting |
| **02.22.07****02.22.07.01** | **Approval of minutes of meeting held on 25th January 2022** The minutes had been circulated prior to the meeting and it was resolved unanimously that the minutes be and are approved and be signed by the Chair of the Meeting. |
| **02.22.08****02.22.08.01** | **Matters Arising or carried forward from previous meetings**Street lighting The Clerk reported that he was still awaiting Balfour Beatty to provide correct details to allow UKPC to issue the certificate needed to permit reduced charges.   |
| **02.22.08.02** | DefibrillatorCllr. Simms reported that the cost of a new battery for the original defibrillator was £178.00 plus VAT, including replacement pads. It was unanimously agreed to proceed.Cllr. Simms reported that having reviewed the available poles to mount the defibrillator he had decided to revert to the original choice.  |
| **02.22.08.03** | Playground equipment repairsCllr. Bradford reported that Mr Jackson anticipated undertaking the work in February. In addition it was agreed to request a price from Mr Jackson to tidy the other trees surrounding the playground once the bird nesting season was completed. |
| **02.22.08.04** | Local Highways InitiativeCllr Simms reported that he would present the proposal to the evaluation panel on 2nd March 2022. The Clerk agreed to write a supporting paper not exceeding 500 words.  |
| **02.22.08.05****-1459-** | Queen’s Platinum JubileeThe Clerk reported that he had posted a request on social media asking for activities organised by residents and had two responses. The pub was holding a party and Wednesday Club was organising a craft event. |
| **02.22.09****02.22.09.01** | **Planning**Applications22/00121/HHFUL – Windsong, Mill RoadThe meeting had no objection to the proposed orangery and first floor extension.22/00288/FUL – Land at Kingston Way The meeting had no objection to the proposed house and garage being built in the garden. |
| **02.22.10****02.22.10.01** | **Finance**The Meeting approved the accounts for payment: 22nd February 2022. |
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| **Date** | **Ref No** | **Payee** | **Description** | **Amount £** |
| **22.02/2022** | 82 | Mr. M Woolhouse | Net salary and expenses. | **180.00** |
| **22.02/2022** | 82 | Mr. M Woolhouse  | Zoom reimbursement  | **14.39** |
| **22.02/2022** | 83 | Mr. R Jackson | Playground tree maintenance | **300.00** |
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| **02.22.10.02** | The Meeting noted the estimated bank charge for February.  | £20.00 |
| **02.22.10.03** | The Meeting noted the income and expenditure account for February 2022.  |
| **02.22.10.04** | The Meeting noted the bank reconciliation for February 2022.  |
| **02.22.10.05****02.22.10.06** | The Meeting noted account balances as at 18 February 2022.The Clerk reported that he was awaiting confirmation that 2 signatories had successfully made a test payment from Unity Bank. The Meeting unanimously agreed to transfer funds to Unity Bank and close accounts with MetroBank. The closure letter was signed by Cllrs. Leaton and Bradford.  |
| **02.22.11****02.22.11.01****02.22.11.02****02.22.11.03** | **Traffic, Highways & Road Safety.**The meeting noted the previously circulated correspondence.The Clerk agreed to report the poor road markings at the Toll to CCC Highways.The meeting noted the proposed Anglia Water remedial works in Oaklands Avenue scheduled for April 2022.  |
| **02.22.12****02.22.12.01****02.22.12.01****-1460-** | **Policing Matters**Social media had reported a break in with a mountain bike being stolen. Social media had reported suspected stolen goods being dumped in Harris Lane. |
| **02.22.13****02.22.13.01** | **Village Maintenance**The Clerk agreed to report the damaged Manor Street road sign to CCC Highways. It was agreed to remove the raised flower beds on the green to encourage wild flowering. |
| **02.22.14****02.22.14.01** | **Correspondence and Communications**The meeting noted the previously circulated correspondence. |

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| **02.22.15** | **Verbal reports from Parish Councillors on matters arising from their portfolio** **responsibilities** |
| **02.22.15.01** | Litter /PlayparkThe meeting noted Cllr. Leaton’s publicity regarding a village clean up on 2nd April 2022 and it was suggested to add Instagram to the social media. |
| **02.22.15.02****02.22.15.03****02.22.15.04** | HighwaysCllrs. Leaton reported that the gulley at the bridge was clogged and Clerk agreed to report the fault to CCC Highways.Website/filing The Clerk reported that he had received a number of photos suitable to promote Wistow on the Wistow Village website and Dr. Farrar would upload them.Village Hall It was felt that the room was cold and also the gents cistern was jamming. Cllr. Bradford agreed to mention it to the Village Hall committee. |
| **02.22.16.****02.22.16.01****02.22.17****02.22.17.01** | **Monthly Audit**Cllr. Harris volunteered to be Auditor for March 2022. **Items for discussion at the next meeting**There were no items for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting save that the recently Community Policing lead, Sergeant Rob Saville would attend the meeting. |
| **02.22.18****02.22.18.01** | **Date of next meeting:** It was agreed that the next meeting would take place on Tuesday 22nd March 2022 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.   |