

WENHASTON WITH MELLS HAMLET PARISH COUNCIL.

Clerk Mrs M Pennock

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 20th July, 2011.

Present:- Cllr. L. Spindler Chair, Cllr. D. Corbett Vice Chair, Cllr. H. Phillips, Cllr. M. Gasper, Cllr. A. Edwards, Cllr. J. Tate, Cllr. A. Spindler, Cllr. J. Wright, Cllr. A. Alder, Cllr. R. Dillaway, Count Cllr. R. Leighton and clerk Mrs M Pennock.

- 1. Cllr. L. Spindler Chair, welcomed the Councillors', and County Cllr. Rae Leighton to the meeting.
Apologies received from Cllr. B. Orme, District Cllr. M. Gower and PCSO Newson.**
- 2. There was no declaration of interest.**
- 3. County Cllr. Leighton informed the meeting that the new leader of the Council has changed a good number of things, no Libraries will be closed, but Libraries need to incorporate a whole new role. A new Chief Executive will be appointed soon.
Cllr. Leighton was asked what was going to happen to the Waste disposal unit at Southwold. He said that the C.C was looking for other people to take this on, but the opening hours would be restricted. The unit at Leiston was staying open but with reduced hours.**
- 4. There was no report from District Cllr. Gower.**
- 5. Proposed by Cllr. H. Phillips and seconded by Cllr. J. Wright that the Minutes of the meeting on 15th June, 2011 be accepted.
Cllr. L. Spindler suggested that there should be a show of hands to record that all Councillors were in agreement with decisions.**
- 6. Clerk's report.
I have had problems with Barclays Bank, SCDC Electoral Dept and Suffolk ACRE, but I have started to sort things out.**

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PCSO Newson has sent the following report:-

Two Burglaries undetected. Cannabis detected in garden for personal use.

The next visit from the Mobile police station will take place on Friday 29th July at 3.15pm to 4.00p.m.

I haven't had anyone come forward to be coordinator for the Neighbourhood Watch.

I have asked Mr Coby to cut around the Sports Club Pavilion.

I have thanked the Parishioners for cutting their hedges.

I have written to all Village organisations regarding the Queens Diamond Jubilee.

I received a telephone call from 2 Parishioners who wanted to remind the Parish Council that the Halesworth Volunteer Group was set up to include all the Villages around Halesworth so why waste money when an organisation already exists.

Cllr. Corbett has spoken to the Halesworth Volunteer Centre who informed her that hardly anyone from Wenhaston makes use of the centre.

Gus Jones e mailed me to say that the First Responders Group has got enough money to purchase a dedicated set of equipment for Wenhaston. As he is the only trained CFR it will be kept at his house. He is placing another article in the Word asking for more volunteers.

Carl Lockwood has informed me that he has an agreement with SCDC to replace the lantern outside James Ellis, Star Hill Footpath.

Suffolk Coastal Services have come back to me regarding the round about in the children's play area. Wicksteads want between £700.and £800 to repair it. However, if the Parish Council are prepared to wait SCS will try and repair it themselves. The cost of a new round about starts from £5,400.00.

I am still finding out about replacing stiles with gates.

Matters arising from the report.

Cllr. Dillaway proposed that the Parish Council write to SCDC expressing concerns on how the Parish Council elections were managed. The Chair to sign the letter.

Cllr. Dillaway informed the Council that he had removed the broken seat from Blackheath. The clerk to write to Mr Gus Jones thanking him for his involvement with the First Responders Group in the Village.

7. Any other matters arising from the Minutes.

Cllr. J. Tate asked when the street lights are due to be switched off.

County Cllr. Leighton thought it would be at the end of this year.

8. Cllr. J. Tate gave the report from the Village Hall Committee saying that a grant of £5,000 had been secured. This to be spent on updating the kitchen.

The jumble sale was a success.

Phil Corbett had taken over as booking clerk.

9. The Parish Councillors' were given a written report by the Parish Plan Group. Eight issues identified were discussed.

It was proposed by Cllr. J. Wight and seconded by Cllr. D. Corbett that

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the Parish Council sponsor a meeting with 14 to 18 year olds to consider ways forward which would involve the young people. Cost up to £75.00, which would include hall hire and pizzas.

Clerk to ask the Police to do speed checks in the Village, and to find out the cost of “30” mph flashing speed signs. All agreed.

- 10. Good Neighbourhood Scheme. Cllr. Corbett gave the Councillors’ information that she had gathered since the last meeting. It was proposed by Cllr. Dillaway and seconded by Cllr. A. Spindler that a Flyer be put in Wenhaston Word to ascertain how much interest there was in the Village for a scheme and then take it from there. All agreed.**
- 11. Parish Council surgery. It was proposed by Cllr. Edwards and seconded by Cllr. Corbett that starting August, surgeries would be held at 7.15 before the Parish Council meetings for Parishioners to come and express their concerns and speak to Councillors. Clerk to advertise this in Wenhaston Word. All agreed.**
- 12. Cllr. Dillaway the Parish Councils representative to SALC, informed the Council of his meeting at SALC and asked how the Councillors’ would like to be informed of these meeting. It was decided that a verbal report be given at meetings.**
- 13. The Queens Diamond Jubilee. The clerk has written to Village organisations and it was decided that the first meeting would take place on September 14th in the Village Hall Committee room starting at 7.30.**
- 14. Planning.**

C11/1428. 3 Church Terrace, The Street. Erection of extension and conservatory (demolish existing conservatory). Proposed by Cllr. A Spindler and seconded by Cllr J. Wight that the Parish Council supports this planning application. All agreed.

C11/1448/1449. Wenhaston Grange, Grange Road. Mells. Erection of Single storey and two storey extension and associated internal alterations (following demolition of coal store/outbuilding and Conservatory extension. Proposed by Cllr. J .Tate and seconded by Cllr. J. Wright that the Parish Council supports this planning application. All agreed,

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C11/1037. Vale View, Low Road. Erection of pitched roof at front of building and erection of verandah. Permission has been granted.

15. There was no correspondence.

16. Correspondence for circulation.

1. ESTA. Members Bulletin.
2. Letter from Tony Gow. Composting.
3. WDC. Examination of the Lake Lothing and Outer Harbour Action Plan.
4. Rural Services Network. Localism information.

17. Finance.

Current Account	£1,009.60
Base Rate Tracker	£18,820.53
Total	£19,830.13

Vat refund received. 941.58

Cheques drawn:-

101490. A W & D Hammond Ltd. Petrol Mower	7.00	VAT 1.17
101491. Essex Suffolk Water. Allotments	86.66	VAT 14.44
101492. SALC. Councillors' Training.	72.00	VAT 12.00
101493. Namesco. Broadband	158.71	VAT 26.45
101494. Mrs M Pennock, wages & Expenses.	354.26	
101495. Mr D J Coby. Grass Cutting	382.25	

Proposed by Cllr. Phillips and seconded by Cllr. J. Wright that the Accounts be accepted.

All agreed,

18. Any other matters that the Chair will allow.

Cllr. Tate said that a Parishioner had asked about getting another or bigger doggy bin for Church Common, or have them emptied more often. Clerk to see if SCDC can empty more frequently. The Cost of a new bin starts at about £80.00.

Cllr. A. Spindler asked when the precept was given. Clerk informed him that the payments come in May and October.

Cllr. Edwards asked if the hedge be cut near the Cross road sign on Back Road. Also the hedge at the back of St Kildas and adjoining properties is protruding over on to Back Road.

Cllr. Edwards also asked if the building at the School was finished. Clerk to write to the School asking if the Parish Councillors could see the new premises at the start of the new term.

Cllr. Gasper said that the digital switch over will take place on 23rd November. There would be an article in the Word to inform Parishioners.

Cllr. Wright asked if there was any news on the proposed Wenhaston railway development.

Cllr. Alder said that the Church was looking to organise a Parents forum to give advice on things such as Internet safety.

Cllr. L. Spindler asked why Wenhaston didn't receive any tickets for Lattitude like some of the other villages. Clerk informed her that Wenhaston was just outside of the area.

19. Meeting closed at 8.55p.m. Date of next meeting 17th August, 2011.

