

Wreningham Parish Council - Minutes

Annual General Meeting held on 14th May 2013 at 7.00pm held in the Margaret Preston Room, Wreningham Village Hall

Present

Cllrs Michael Hill (Chair), Elizabeth Brake, Jon Moon, the Clerk and 4 members of the public.

525. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair and signature of acceptance of office

SD proposed MH for the position of Chair and this was seconded by JM. SD proposed EB for the role of Vice-Chair, and MH seconded this. MH and EB signed their declaration of acceptance of office.

526. Apologies: Cllr Sheldon Durant (Prior arrangements) and DC Webster. Gill Page has resigned her position on the Parish Council and the vacancy has been notified. If an election is not called, there will be option to co-opt at the next meeting.

527. Declarations of interest:

EB: Item 531. Planning application for Stayre Place.

528. Open Forum

Meeting closed at 7.10pm to allow members of the public to speak.

A resident wished to report that Plot 3, The Glebe has planning permission for a paddock but it is being used as a garden with climbing frames, etc. **Clerk to report to SNC.** Proposed: MH, seconded: EB

Trevor Wadlow reported that SNC have been addressing flooding issues. Part of a pipe at The Loke has collapsed, different size pipes are interconnecting and there are blocked drains on open dyke at the south end of Wymondham Road. The last open field at the top of Wymondham Road has a drain which is in urgent need of repair and SNC are addressing this issue. The old bung in the culvert under the road by the Loke has not been removed when it should have been, which has now been completed. NCC were instigating a full flood investigation however have now backtracked and will be awaiting further evidence before proceeding which is very frustrating. He asked the Parish Council to write to Richard Hendry to add their support. **Mr Wadlow to draft a letter for the Council to agree and send.**

Mr Rob Jones, Head teacher of Wreningham Primary School, was not able to attend the Annual Parish Meeting so reported at this meeting. The building works have almost been completed. The space will be used to enable children to work in small groups outside the classroom. Ofsted have confirmed that they will not be inspecting until the summer term as the school are maintaining their good standards. Funding for the school has changed, and the budget is getting even tighter. 13 children will be entering in September which means that the school is not at capacity, but numbers are healthy. Links with the church were discussed and it was noted that the size of the church building can be limiting. MH reported that a resident has complained that the cones in the road outside do not need to be there out of school hours and are unsightly. Mr Jones said that the coloured cones outside the school are there to prevent parents parking in dangerous places however he will endeavour to remove the cones. The police cones outside on the corner by the Reading Room belong to Spratts and it was believed that these may be the ones in dispute.

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The meeting was opened at 7.40 pm.

529. Minutes of the meeting on 12th March 2013

Agreed as a true record - Proposed: EB, seconded: JM.

Item 517: NCC Highways advised the MH that the signpost at Harveys Corner will be returned to its original place.

Item 517: Skate Ramp repairs have been started. There are three large tyres on the playing field which are a potential health and safety risk to the children using the field. **JM to try and arrange for removal.**

Item 517: The Clerk reported that the school had paid their donation towards the line marking for the last financial year.

Item 519: The Reading Room plot has been registered with Land Registry.

530. Finance

- MH confirmed that the Clerks annual appraisal and performance review had been undertaken and no problems were raised.
- The financial report for 2012/13 was circulated.
- The internal audit report had previously been circulated. It was agreed to delay the update of policies to the July meeting. Proposed: JM, seconded: EB
- Agreement of Accounting Statement and Annual Statement of Governance 2012/13. Proposed: JM, seconded: EB
- Jon Moon to be added as a signatory. Proposed: MH, seconded: EB
- The following cheques were agreed and signed:

Payment to	Reason	Sum £	Proposed	Seconded
Custom Joinery	Deposit for Village Sign	330	JM	EB
Abate Pest Control	Mole Control	81	JM	EB
Norfolk ALC	Subscription	121.96	JM	EB
Norfolk RCC	Subscription	20	JM	EB
Information Commissioner	Data Protection Registration	20	JM	EB
Came & Co	Insurance cover	920.15	JM	EB
H Frary	Clerks Expenses and Land Registry costs	79.10	JM	EB

531. Planning

- 2013/0669: Ash Tree Cottage, Wymondham Road - Single storey extension. The Council question the relative proportion of the extension in relation to the rest of the house. There are also concerns that the neighbours view may be negatively impacted. Proposed: EB, seconded: JM
- 2013/0632: Stayre Place, Norwich Road. Extension to permission 2010/1348/H. The meeting was not quorate for this item so no comments were lodged.

532. Adoption of the Tree and Hedge Policy and consideration of submission to South Norfolk Council.

The policy was agreed and will be submitted to SNC for consideration within the SNC Development Management Policies DPD Preferred Option. Proposed: JM, seconded: EB

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533. Village Maintenance

- Village Sign update. The deposit has been paid and work is underway to restore the village sign.
- Update from meeting with Richard Deller. MH led the Council through the report from this meeting and his meeting with Travis Perkins (available on request from the Clerk).
- Repainting of Village Telephone Box. The clerk has had no response from BT in response to her request for painting the red phone box. She has obtained a quote for repainting the box for £210 with paint and primer making the total approximately £100. Replacement glass is available if needed. It was suggested that this might be a poor use of public funds and so volunteers to be asked to provide the labour, advertising through the Mardle. **Clerk to action.**

534. Playing Field Update

- Playing Field Signs. The insurance company will only allow a BMX track if there is ambulance access to the site. The playing field sign therefore will be changed to only allow skates and skateboards on the skate ramp.
- Play Area Inspection update. This is being undertaken on a rota.

535. Correspondence

- SNC - Connecting South Wymondham documentation available from the Clerk.
- OPCCN - Police and Crime Plan 2013 - 17 available from the Clerk.

536. Future business

None.

Dates of Future Meetings: 9 July, 10 September and 12 November 2013. All at 7.30pm in the Margaret Preston Room in the Village Hall, Mill Lane.

Meeting closed at 8.15 pm.