

Minutes of Wansford Parish Council Meeting held in the Community Hall on
Monday 9th January 2006 at 7.30 pm

05/05

Members of the Council: Mr. Richard Clarke (Chairman), Mrs. Lisa Chambers Mr. Bill Dunnakey, Mr. David Johnson, Mr. Alan Jones, Mr. Paul Rudd, Mrs. Jane Tate, Mrs. Patricia Stuart-Mogg (Clerk)

Also Attending: Mr David Baker, Mr & Mrs Alan Gray, Mr & Mrs Eric Joyner, Mrs Marie Lewis, Mr Christopher Sykesud, Mr. David Stuart-Mogg,

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<p>Apologies: None</p> <p>The Parish Council was greatly saddened by the sudden death of John Horrell CBE. The Chairman paid tribute to his diligence, efforts and energy over the many years as Ward Councillor.</p>		
<p>1. Minutes of the last meeting – 7th November 2005: These have been circulated, agreed as a true record of the meeting and signed.</p>		
<p>2. Matters Arising from those Minutes: None</p>		
<p>3. Public Participation: 05/01954/REM - 32 Old North Road: <i>Mr. Sykesud</i> believed that conditions prevailed requiring dwellings in Swanhill closest to the Old North Road to be bungalows. He further expressed concern in respect of the drainage system as the demolished bungalow had a septic tank as it was not possible to connect it to the main sewer. <i>Mrs. Joyner</i> stated that the size of the dwellings was too large for the site and in conflict with the Village Design Statement. <i>Mr. Baker</i> noted that one of the conditions stated that no development would take place until a full tree and hedgerow survey had been submitted. <i>Mr. Gray</i> stated that the Outline Planning Approval was not for two storey dwellings. He also considered the removal of the many trees and shrubs was in breach of the conditions. <i>Mrs. Lewis</i> judged it very premature that the existing house was demolished and trees removed before Full Planning Permission was obtained.</p>		
<p>4. Code of Conduct : It was agreed that the recent training session had given Councillors a better understanding of the Code of Conduct. The Clerk confirmed that if any further clarification was required in respect of this subject, there was a training day on the 30th January at the Peterborough City Council offices.</p>		
<p>5. Quality Status Application: The Clerk confirmed that she had completed her training course and anticipated the confirmation of her qualification shortly. Following a meeting with Sandra Mitcham from CALC there were some further issues that the Council was required to address before applying for Quality Status e.g. a Newsletter and a Website. The cost of Quality Status Application was about £59.00 and the aim was to submit the application this March. In response to a recommendation by CALC, it was agreed that the Clerk could purchase appropriate Desktop Publishing software that would accrue a 50% CALC grant. David Johnson proposed a £75.00 cap on the Parish Council's contribution; this was seconded by Lisa Chambers and agreed.</p>		Clerk
<p>6. Christie Hall: The idea to purchase the Christie Hall had been floated with Stibbington and Thornhaugh Parish Councils using Landfill Credits and the responses were positive. There had also been was an offer by Bradshaw's of a piece of land to site a new hall. It was agreed that David Johnson and Jane Tate would investigate this further.</p>		David Johnson/ Jane Tate
<p>7. Budget and Precept: The Clerk presented the budget, which was circulated to all Councillors. It was agreed to increase the Churchyard contribution to £2500 to assist the funds covering the cost of the path of which 75% would be covered</p>		

