

MINUTES OF THE WANSFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE
WANSFORD COMMUNITY HALL ON THE 7th JANUARY 2008

Present: Cllr T Pearson Chairman
Cllr F Aspin
Cllr R Clarke
Cllr P Rudd
Cllr D Stuart-Mogg
Cllr G Ward
Cllr D Johnson Secretary

In Attendance: Cllr J Holditch City Councillor
Mr G Garner
Mr B Hayward

Once again it was appreciated that D Johnson agreed to take the Minutes

Item 1 Apologies

City Cllr D Lamb offered her apologies

Item 2 Declarations of Interest

2.1 There were no 'Declarations of Interest'

Item 3 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

3.1 The Minutes were accepted and signed as an accurate record of the meeting.

Item 4 Matters Arising from the Previous Minutes

The following matters were reviewed:

- 4.1 a) 07/01639/FUL – 4 The Old Nursery - garage conversion
Approved with conditions as proposed by the WPC Closed
- b) 07/00039/FUL - Information only concerning retrospective approval at the
Kings Cliffe Industrial site. Closed
- c) 07/01731/FUL – Cedar House - conversion and garage extension
Rejected by the PCC as inappropriate Closed
- d) 07/01860/CTR – 4 Old Leicester road - fell Lawsonia
Approved by the PCC Closed
- e) 07/01815 – Rivermead - Pollard Willow
Approved by the PCC Closed
- 6.1 b) Lighting – Still no progress.
- d) The Churchyard Representative asked for the support of the WPC in
dealing with a churchyard collapsed stone wall from which the stone had
been misplaced. DS-M
/Chairman
Cllr Holditch suggested that Landfill credits might be an appropriate
funding path. Chairman
/DS-M

Item 5 Finance

- 5.1 a) Funding
- The Chairman had obtained copies of the WPC Bank Accounts following Mr D Lea's failure to be confirmed in post and was able to determine that the WPC was indeed solvent. Closed
- b) The WPC support for the Christie Hall was to be withdrawn and formal notification to the other Parish Councils and the British Legion was required. Chairman
- c) Budget
- There was a lengthy discussion over the past and proposed Budget and it was agreed to allow Councillors to consider the requirements and to have an Extra-ordinary meeting to finalise the submission to PCC. All
- d) Accounts
- The following accounts were approved for payment
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| i. | Mr Lea's salary and expenses - to be agreed after the Chairman has checked that the rate of pay and travel expense allowance figures are correct | £ | |
| ii. | An extra key for the Community Hall (D. Lea) | £ | 6.00 |
| iii. | Christie Hall rent | £ | 1010.00 |
| iv. | Community Hall rental for Neighbourhood Watch meeting | £ | 8.00 |
| v. | The purchase of a filing cabinet for the WPC | £ | 84.02 |

Item 6 Correspondence Received

- 6.1 Several items required a response from the Chairman
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| a) | Powergen require access to read the Electricity meter | Chairman |
| b) | There was a CALC meeting scheduled for the 19 th Jan 08 | Chairman |
| c) | HM Revenue and Customers required a statement regarding Expenses and Benefits Dispensation | Chairman |
- 6.2 The WPC had received the latest information regarding the planned Highways activities. These would be available from the Community Hall.

Item 7 Progress in the Appointment of a New Clerk

- 7.1 The Chairman advised that we had 2 applicants and that interviews had been arranged for the evening of the 10 Jan 08 All

Item 8 Matters for consideration

- 8.1 The Chairman had been approached regarding a new Planning Application by Mr and Mrs Tate. There was no knowledge of this and the Chairman would seek PCC advice. Chairman
- 8.2 Cllr Stuart-Mogg drew the WPC's attention to a PCC letter, JKD/06/00410/FUL dated 31 Aug 07, which ordered the reinstatement of the stone wall at Rivermead. The Chairman would ensure that the PCC was aware of the current non-compliance. Chairman

- 8.3 The Wansford Bridge 2 ton weight limit was being consistently abused, even when being observed by uniformed Police Officers, and the Chairman would approach the PCC and English Heritage to determine if a height limiting barrier could be installed.
- 8.4 Cllr Holditch advised that the cost of properly closing the picnic site had been estimated at between £60-80K. Cllr Rudd would approach the Police to see if a highly obvious Number Plate recognition vehicle could be despatched to deter the illicit activities on the site.

Chairman

Item 9 Dates of Future Meetings

P Rudd
/Chairman

The next meetings would be on the 10th of Jan 08 and then 4 Feb 08

Signed _____
C.T.J. Pearson, Chairman

Date: 10th. January 2008