

## **Wistow Parish Council**

### **Minutes of the Wistow Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021**

**held**

**at 7.30 pm in the Chapel Hall Wistow**

**Present:** Councillors : Cllr M Hewan (Chair) Cllr C Clark (Deputy Chair) Cllr O Macdonald, Cllr M Golton, Cllr R Harrison, Cllr A Kendal.

In attendance Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer Margaret Horton

Two members of the Public in attendance

#### **71. Apologies for Absence.**

None were received

#### **72. Declaration of Interest**

None

#### **73. To consider approval of the Meeting of the Parish Council minutes held on the 9<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

Resolved that the minutes be approved.

#### **74. No issues were raised out of the previous minutes**

#### **75. To consider issues raised by Members of the Public**

##### **Christmas lights on other trees on the Green**

Clerk informed the meeting about a suggestion to have more lights on the trees on the Green after discussion it was resolved that there were not the funds to undertake this work at the present time. There were also issues relating to the electricity supply. Resolved that the suggestion was not approved.

##### **Public use of the playing field**

A member of the public attended the meeting and requested that consideration should be given to provide a fenced off area on Jubilee playing field to be used by members of the public to exercise their dogs off the lead. It was suggested that the dog friendly area could be positioned to the far end of the field away from the hall and the children's activities still allowing space for sporting or play activity. Councillors debated this suggestion and felt it required more discussion was required, it was resolved to discuss at next meeting.

#### **76 To receive information regarding the trusteeship of Jubilee Hall.**

Councillor Harrison informed the meeting about the visit to Jubilee Hall and a tour of the facilities. The Council thanked the member of the public for their time in explaining the current position of the trusteeship of the Hall. It was noted that the Parish Council owns the land, but it was unclear who was responsible for the building, the member of the public explained that the village owned the Hall. Council resolved that the Clerk should contact solicitor to establish the deeds of lease in the contract. It was also resolved to ask ACRE to talk to the Parish Council about trusteeship Cllr Harrison has the contact details and he agreed to make arrangements.

#### **77. To consider the draft Notice of Tender for grass cutting**

Council thanked Cllr Harrison for the drafting of the document. It was resolved that the Green should be cut every 2 weeks and any additional cuts to any other areas would be done as a result of a request It was resolved that Jubilee Field should be cut fortnightly in the summer months. It was resolved that the Tender would be revised and sent out after Christmas period by the Clerk.

### **78 To consider the maintenance of the defibrillator on the Green**

Resolved that Cllr Golton and Tindall would undertake this work. Clerk informed Council that there are grants available for an additional defibrillator, a member of the public informed the Council that the football team were raising funds to fund one at Jubilee Hall. Discussion took place about where another one could be fitted, it was resolved Clerk to speak directly to Cllr Cattnach who would be funding any additional one.

### **79. To note Clerks update on**

Update from the tree surgeons – they would be undertaking the tree works early in January

Dog/waste bin Prospect Place – bin had been ordered but there was a delay by SDC to fit at present time

Caravan Garth Close – applicant would be appealing against the refusal of planning permission. Clerk to establish details on dates.

### **80 To consider any planning issues**

No issues to report

### **81 To receive updates from the following groups**

**Web site** Cllr Macdonald informed the meeting that he and Cllr Kendall would be scoping the design of the web to be considered by Council.

**Finance** – Cllr Hewan informed Council that at the next meeting discussion needed to take place regarding the Precept which was due to be submitted to SDC by 21<sup>st</sup> January 2022.

**Policies** – Clerk informed the Council that 2 main policies are currently amending on Standing Orders and Financial regulations.

**Playground and footpaths** -Cllr Harrison and Kendall had undertaken a monthly check of the playground and there were no issues. Cllr Harrison informed the Council that the footpath on Jubilee Field had been marked out.

**Cemetery** – Cllr Clark informed the Council that this year it was proposed to clear out the northern boundary and to clear the 3 other boundaries in the next couple of years. It was proposed to look at the parking area and driveway in 2022/23. It was suggested finding out how much the costs would be in obtaining a Public Works Loan to fund this project, it was anticipated that the amount could be between 25k to 30k over a period of 25 years. Resolved that clerk would obtain information.

### **82. Financials**

Due to admin error it was noted that these could not be discussed, resolved to have them on the next agenda for approval.

### **83. Grant for ground maintenance of Church yard.**

Request had been received from the Church for a grant of £100, this was agreed by Council.

84 . Date of next meeting 11<sup>th</sup> January 2022 at 7.00pm

**Meeting closed at 8.30 pm**