

WISTOW PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Wistow Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 7th February 2023

Present Cllrs Hewan (chair) Harrison (vice chair) Kendal, Pownall, Richardson, and 3 members of the public

23.1 To receive apologies for absence and consider reasons for absence

Apologies received from Cllr Golton due to ill health

23.2 To receive declarations of interest from Parish Councillors

None received

23.3 To approve Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10 January 2023

Minutes agreed

23.4 To consider any matters arising out of previous meeting

Request from Cllr Harrison for a donation to fund commemorative items for Wistow School pupils, it was agreed that the PC would support this request, a decision to be made at the next meeting when the costs would be known.

Jubilee Hall .A meeting between the PC and Jubilee Hall Committee was held on the 19th January at which it was agreed that a copy of the lease trust deed to be sent to Jubilee Hall secretary This document states that the Jubilee Hall Committee are the trustees with representatives from Jubilee Hall users . All members of the PC confirmed that they did not want to be trustees, however they agreed that they would provide a representative from the PC to attend the Jubilee Hall Committee. It was agreed by all that Cllr Pownall would be the representative, and this arrangement to be reviewed in a couple of months.

23.5 To consider Members of the Public issues

No issues raised

23.6 To consider planning applications

2022/1441/HPA demolition of existing outbuildings and erection of new outbuilding including annexe and car port Greenways Cawood road

No objections were raised by the PC

Update on Plantation House, Cawood – SDC are still considering the planning application at this present time.

23.7 Update on Councillor vacancy

Clerk confirmed date with PC for interviews to be re scheduled for Tuesday 28th February 2023

23.8 Request from Church for a donation towards the grass cutting of the graveyard.

This was agreed , £110 to be given to the Church, Clerk to make payment.

23.9 To consider letter from NYCC on Urban Highway grass cutting,

It was agreed that the PC would not take over the responsibility for cutting the grass verges, that this should remain with NYCC. Clerk to respond accordingly.

23.10 To note letter from SDC regarding Rural Housing.

It was agreed that at the present time there was very limited sites available in Wistow village for new housing other than Plantation House site, Cllr Richardson agreed to speak directly to the Planning Officer to make him aware of the request should any revised plans be submitted for consideration.

23.11 To note e mail from YLCA on climate change.

Agreed that Cllr Harrison would attend the meeting on 13th February and report back to PC.

23.12 To receive updates from working groups and consider actions

Village Green

Hedging on the village green quote £798.00 was submitted to PC for approval which was agreed. Member of public would notify contractor and discuss with householders whose land backed on to the green. Member of the public confirmed that this had been done all residents were aware, that the works would take place on 20th February. Member of the Public advised that a quote stated to remove hedging and a bush on the village green backing to residential properties.

Cemetery

Work done to date had left tree stumps and roots in the ground that should have been removed as per specification, member of the public to contact the contractor to remedy

Discussion took place regarding a cemetery policy, Cllr Harrison agreed to draft a policy. It was also agreed that the PC would have an Extraordinary Meeting to discuss an action plan drafted by Cllr Pownall and clerk to plan ahead for future works on the Cemetery and ensure that all Councillors on the PC were aware and were in agreement with actions. Clerk to arrange a date for the meeting.

Web site – Cllr Hewan confirmed that Cllr Pownall had full access rights to the web. Agreed to place a link on the web site to the Church magazine, who had agreed to this request.

Playground – Cllrs Kendall and Harrison informed meeting that there were no major issues on the playground. Cllr Kendall confirmed that she was in the process of trying to get a grant from Awards for All, it was agreed that the swings were the first priority. It was also agreed Cllr Kendall would provide an update at the next meeting.

Policies

Risk and contingencies policy to be drafted Cllrs Harrison and Richardson agreed to undertake this work. Discussion took place regarding the scope of the policy.

Social Media Policy to be amended regarding facebook not to have items that should be on the web site, Cllr Harrison agreed to update.

23.13 To receive, agree and note the following

Bank statement -Noted

Bank Reconciliation statement -Noted

List of payments -agreed

Meeting finished at 8.30 hours