

WIDMERPOOL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held at the home of Coun. Holland on Old Hall Drive, on Wednesday March 1, 2017 at 7-30pm.

Couns. Tony Mason (Chairman)
Jason Holland Ray Belton
Clare Bhabra (A) Anita Gotts (A)
Mollie Broadberry Rachel Hoult (A)

Also present: Clerk Mike Elliott, Notts County Council member Coun. John Cottee and Rushcliffe Borough Council member Coun. Andy Edyvean.

- 1] APOLOGIES Couns. Clare Bhabra, Anita Gotts, and Rachel Hoult and the reasons accepted.
- 2] DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
There were none
- 3] MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 4 2017, were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman.
- 4] PUBLIC PARTICIPATION, LIMITED TO 20 MINUTES
No matters were raised.

5] CLERK'S REPORT ON PREVIOUS MEETING BUSINESS

The current financial year is the final one for existing external audit arrangements. Grant Thornton, as the external auditors will carry out their final work on the 2016-7 accounts in the usual way. For the 2017-18 year the accounts will not go out to an external auditor unless there is a complaint about them. There would then be a charge for contact with the NALC appointed external auditor. The council will still require a professional internal auditor and will continue to use Dixon's accountants at Keyworth. There is an all-day meeting at Epperstone on Wednesday next week presented by Grant Thorntons on the final year of the present system and the clerk would be attending.

The organisers of the special event on Remembrance Day next year, November 11, to commemorate the centenary of the ending of the First World War are asking parishes to look to make contact with someone in their village who had a relative involved in the 1914-8 war, and to invite them to be involved in the bonfire / beacon event in their parish.

The contractor has in hand the work to be carried out on the village notice boards and the public seat.

- 6] CORRESPONDENCE
There was no correspondence
- 8] PLANNING MATTERS
Rushcliffe Borough Council planning applications -- there were none

Rushcliffe Borough Council planning decisions

16/03074/FUL. Mr Mrs M R Cavell, The Old Rectory, Church Lane. Construct indoor swimming pool (detached) on existing tennis courts. Permit.

1602545/FUL. Ms Jayne Martine Hoare, land North West of Willoughby Road. Proposal to form three new bungalows. Refuse.

- 9] FINANCE
CHEQUES FOR PAYMENT were approved as per the circulated list.

10] ENVIRONMENT - CONDITION OF FAIRHAM BROOK

Discussion took place on the condition of the Fairham Brook alongside Old Hall Drive and Coun. Belton said the weirs had been damaged. Coun. Holland said he had spoken to Ms Jayne Hoare who he thought had some responsibility for cleaning out the water course. She agreed she would remove some of the rubble that had accumulated.

The clerk was to contact Trent Valley Internal Drainage Board to check on their responsibility in connection with the water course and Coun. Holland would talk to Ms Hoare again.

Discussion took place in regard to traffic on Field Lane/Penn Lane. It was unclear if the highway was adopted or not and the clerk was asked to seek comment from this from Notts County Council. The chairman said as he understood the position there was no issue with farm vehicles using the route, the problem being with large vehicles, some as big as 40 foot, using Penn Lane for deliveries to the Baxter Farm.

11] WEBSITE – EMAILS

There is the system now on the website for a user to be able to send an email message to any of the members whose email address is there. It would only be sent to the person it was addressed to.

The chairman said he and Cllr Holland were formulating an email contact list for all residents, to be used for distributing event adverts and any other news etc.

12] WIDMERPOOL TRUST FUND

Members discussed the £2600 given to the council by the Trust Fund.

The chairman suggested the possibility using some of the money on improving the water course on Old Hall Drive. Coun. Belton said he intended to install another planter and could perhaps fund that from the same source.

13] MEMBERS MATTERS, NOT REQUIRING A DECISION

The Litter Pick Day plans were going ahead and the clerk confirmed he had ordered the items wanted.

14] AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING MAY 3, 2017

The clerk reminded the meeting this would be both a parish council meeting and the annual parish meeting. No agenda items were put forward.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:25pm.