

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 3RD MARCH 2015 AT 7.15 P.M. AT NORTH WOOTTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Present: Councillors Border, Cox, Duval, Edwards, Kilham, Malik and Pulsford-Harris.
In attendance: Mrs. E. Wymer (Clerk)

1. Apologies – Councillors Crome, Marshall-Grint, Merrey, Nurse and Smith.

2. Declaration of interest – None.

3. Minutes of last meeting - It was unanimously agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 3rd February 2015 be signed as a true record of the meeting.

4. Matters Arising – None.

5. Law and Order – Nothing to report.

The meeting was closed for Open Forum.

6. Open Forum

The Chairman had provided Lord Howard with maps and correspondence with regard to diverting footpath F.P.16 at the rear of 2-34 Woodland Gardens to the dry side of the wood so that residents can apply to extinguish this footpath from their properties. Lord Howard is in agreement with the footpath being moved but needs to check with his Land Agent. The Chairman will contact Lord Howard again in a few weeks time for an update.

The meeting was re-opened.

7. Correspondence

Nolan Mills

Has cultivated two wildflower strips on the South Wootton strip -one south of Little Walsingham Close and the second south of the Castle Acre Close entrance. These will be sown next month and the Clerk has asked CGM not to cut these areas.

Highways
April.

Community Ranger Visit during week commencing 9th

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Following work on the collapsed sewer by Anglian Water

problem
cleaned out
Wootton

Priory Lane Highways have jetted the gullies to prevent future flooding across the road. However there is a problem with one of their manhole chambers. Need ditches either side of road (Lord Howard's land and Strip).

Work has also been programmed for some verge repair works and patching caused by traffic diversions.

Suffolk Life Car park on St. Augustines Way – contractors should be appointed very soon to resurface the car park.

Marie Curie Volunteers needed for Great Daffodil Appeal collections.

Wootton Park Ken and David (the park support workers) have both retired and Ryan has now finished his apprenticeship. Ryan has been appointed to work on Wootton Park during the afternoons from 12.30 and will work for SWPC in the mornings.

year. Cycle inhibitor – will be repainted in the next financial

8. Finance

Bal. b/fwd. **38089.04**

Add:

Less:

E-ON	685.97	
Westcotec (new lighting column + reconnection by UK Power)	1227.60	
Westcotec	250.48	
B.C. (printing)	67.38	
SWPC (includes tree surgery £1,000)	1243.56	
E. Wymer (expenses)	48.35	
E. Wymer (Mar salary – cheque number 1432 dated 31/3/15)	406.93	
HMRC (Feb salary)	<u>39.40</u>	
		<u>3969.67</u>

Bal. c/fwd. **£34119.37**

Made up as follows

Saffron Building Society	13863.00 (maturity date 7.11.15.)
Lloyds Gold deposit a/c (Easy saver)	18384.51
Lloyds current a/c	<u>1871.86</u>
	<u>34119.37</u>

Above expenditure approved for payment.

9.Highways -

Community Ranger Visit during week commencing 9th April. The Clerk will report potholes in Woodland Gardens.

Following work on the collapsed sewer by Anglian Water on Priory Lane Highways have jetted the gullies to prevent future flooding across the road. However there is a problem with one of their manhole chambers. Highways need the ditches cleaned out either side of road (Lord Howard's land and Wootton Strip) before they carry out their work on the manhole chamber. The Park Support Worker will complete the work on Wootton Strip and Highways will ask Lord Howard to clean out the woods side.

Work has also been programmed for some verge repair works and patching caused by traffic diversions whilst the collapsed sewer was being repaired.

10. Wootton Park –

Councillors Border and Nurse had attended the Wootton Park AGM and Management Meeting.

Mr. M. Narborough will continue as chairman and Councillor Border has been elected deputy chairman. The vacant treasurer's position will be carried out through South Wootton Parish Council clerks.

The four Trustees will be Mr. M. Narborough and Clerk to South Wootton Parish Council representing South Wootton and Councillors Pulsford-Harris and Border representing North Wootton.

The Picnic on the Park being organised for June had caused confusion. The Football Club are celebrating 30 years and rather than have a purely football festival it was decided to branch out with stalls etc .to attract more people. Councillor Nurse and Mrs. Anita Howard who had organised the previous Picnic on the Park are acting as 'consultants' and as licences etc. are already in place under the Picnic's name it was decided to use this name again. The Football Club will be carrying out the actual running of the event and proceeds will be split 50/50 between the Football Club and Wootton Park Association.

The Football Club have agreed to pay an extra £250 towards the running costs for water and electricity. This will be added to their annual fee of £950 for the 2015/16 season making their fee £1,200.

The next Management Meeting will be Tuesday, 28th April at 7pm, South Wootton Parish Council office.

11. Street lighting -

Councillor Smith had indicated at the last meeting that he would obtain a quote for solar lighting inside the bus shelter. The Clerk will contact Councillor Smith to see whether this has transpired.

12. Planning –

Councillors had been circulated with draft plans for redevelopment of Priory Road. The Parish

Council approved the plans in principle but it would be easier to comment when full-size paper plans are received.

13.Village Hall –

Councillor Kilham reported that a few more lettings had been received. The Village Hall is just holding its own financially and will continue as long as there are enough funds

14.The Village -

It was agreed that the village was looking good with the spring bulbs but the Clerk will contact the Borough Council to ask whether they have any unwanted perennials/bulbs which the Parish Council could have. The Headteacher of North Wootton Community School said that it could be arranged for the children to carry out the planting as a community project.

The chairman thanked Mrs. Border for delivery of recent newsletter.

The children of North Wootton Community School had drawn posters for 'Safe Parking outside School'. The seven best posters were shown to the Parish Council and it was agreed that the two outstanding ones should be given £10 tokens and the other five £5 tokens. The Clerk will arrange and the chairman of the Parish Council will go along to an assembly to present to the children. NCC, Mr. Jason Law, will have the two best posters blown up to A2 size so that they may be displayed on the school gates and hopefully make parents more aware of the dangers. All the seven posters will be posted on the North Wootton Parish Council web-site.

A presentation was made to the retiring Clerk and the Chairman welcomed Mrs. Rachel Curtis who will be taking over as from 1st April.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8 pm

..... Chairman Date

