# WISSETT PARISH COUNCIL

# MINUTES OF THE WISSETT PARISH COUNCIL VIRTUAL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 21st JANUARY 2021 AT 7.30PM VIA THE ZOOM PLATFORM

PRESENT: Hannah Pretty, Geoffrey Kiddy, Frank Burton, Beryl Matthews, Paul Parry,

Camilla Prior

APOLOGIES: Cllr. Alison Cackett, Matthew Wetmore,

NOT PRESENT:

ALSO, PRESENT: Bill Simpson (Parish Clerk), Cllr. Tony Goldson, 0 Members of the public

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

## **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** None

## MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON 19th November 2020:

Minutes of the meeting agreed and will be signed as true copies.

#### REQUEST FOR DISPENSATIONS.

None received

#### **REPORTS:**

- a) VAS was in use in December
- b) Village Hall Repairs A report was received from the Chair of the Village Hall Committee. Much of the planned works now complete. Still planned for works are; the main floor being sanded, sealed and polished, water tank in roof to be removed, stop cock to be re-sited and new floor tiles to gents WC.
- c) The road that floods outside Valley Vineyards. TG advised that works are scheduled.
- d) Community Partnership and buddy scheme. A couple of calls have been received.
- e) FB had submitted a written report on the Zoom meeting held by Peter Aldous.
- f) 5 The Street. Planning is aware that works to correct the windows have not yet been done. They are treating the door as a separate issue. Clerk was asked to pursue for further updates.
- g) Reports of a possible unauthorised factory/workshop were reported to Planning who passed on enforcement for investigation. Clerk to ask for update.
- h) Commemorative Bench. Has now been delivered and the base has been laid. Should be installed in the next week or so. A plaque is to be considered.
- i) TG reported on the Covid 19 situation in Suffolk.

#### PLANNING APPLICATIONS/DECISIONS:

DC/20/4968/OUT Camelot, Mill Road 4 No. dwellings with new access following demolition of the existing dwelling. This was felt to be overdevelopment of a small plot and could cause more traffic on a very narrow lane. Clerk to report accordingly.

DC/20/4618/FUL Conversion at Bleach Farm has been withdrawn

It was resolved to give the old village sign to a Parishioner who will make good use of it.

It was resolved to set the 2021/2022 precept at £4,144.00 an increase of £166, 4.17%

It was resolved to defer any decision on the suggestion of potentially planting woodland on the land owned by the Parish Council, at the Rumburgh end of the village, until Parish Councillors had visited the site and explored options.

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#### FINANCE:

The Village Asset Register was reviewed.

The budget for the year 2020-2021 was reviewed.

## **ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:**

SES Business Water	Water charges Nov	£5.45
EON	Field Electric	£27.06
SES Business Water	Water charges Dec	£5.45
Mr W Simpson	Expenses	£7.80
BC Mechanical & Electrical Ltd	Village hall toilet	£861.60
Waveney Norse Ltd	Grass cutting 2020	£222.85
Symon Clarke	Xmas tree lights	£33.74
Mr W Simpson	Expenses	£22.19
KR & PA Southey Ltd	Plastering VH Ceiling and walls	£1,188.00
All were approved for payments to be made.		

#### INCOME RECEIVED:

Melita Rouse-Skeet Donation cost of commemorative bench £1,033

East Suffolk Council Donation from TG towards new bench plinth £600.00

Account balances at 8th January – Current £3,416.60 - Deposit £11,966.48

#### CORRESPONDENCE/CIRCULARS:

Have renewed the contract with EON to supply electricity to the village field. Clerks and Councils Direct magazine

#### MATTERS TO BE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE COUNCIL;

Volunteers grit spreaders need to be reviewed as 2 people wish to retire. Clerk to check with existing volunteers and see if anyone new will come forward.

3 Reports have been made on the SCC reporting site regarding the collapsing of the supports to The Beck outside the Village Hall. TG asked for details for him to pursue. Suffolk East Federation of Women's Institutes have planted a tree on the village field. The Wissett Plough will start a takeaway service on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from 19<sup>th</sup> February, with a special Valentines menu for 14<sup>th</sup> February.

GK reported some issues with flooding on the bends on Lodge Lane and will report on the SCC reporting site.

2 of the 3 Parish Councillor signatories are now able to approve payments online, removing the necessity of signing cheques. 3<sup>rd</sup> is in progress of setting up.

<u>DATE OF NEXT VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING</u> –Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at 7:30pm. Meeting closed at 9.00pm