WIGGENHALL ST MARY MAGDALEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual General Parish Council Meeting held on 12 June 2014

Present Cllrs: J Anderson, R Chitty, D Coles, P Hollox, J Morton, P Smith (Chair), G Spicer,

Clerk - S Goodwin

Two members of the public

Cllr Dent did not attend

32/14 Apologies for absence

Cllr. Crumpler

33/14 Minutes of the meeting held on 8 May and 22 May

Having been circulated previously, it was proposed and accepted that the minutes be agreed

34/14 Declarations of Interest and Dispensation Requests

None

35/14 Public Speaking

None

36/14 Matters Arising

None

37/14 Correspondence

Uk Power Networks to reduce height of Eucalytus tree to avoid branches touching overhead wires Norfolk RCC invitation to AGM on 30th June at Ambassador Way

38/14 Highways

a 50% payment requested by NCC regarding new VAS awarded as part of Parish Partnership Scheme.

Letter to be sent to Horseshoe Barn regarding logs placed on grass verge outside property.

White posts outside Stow Road property will be removed as soon as grass verge has been reinstated.

b Clerk to write to Watlington PC to ask if they will consider working with Magdalen PC to obtain trod between 2 villages, hopefully with support from Parish Partnership if it is repeated in 2015.

c Clerk to ask if cycling training takes place at school as some pupils have been witnessed riding bikes in a dangerous manner

39/14 Speedwatch

Clerk informed by Janet Overton that speedwatch volunteers trained by Police can train new volunteers. More volunteers to be sought and trained. Advert to be placed on website with Cllr Chitty as contact. Mobile SAM unit available—councilors to liaise and agree where it is to be put.

40/14 Allotments

a Clerk awaiting reply from National allotment association in order to reply to letter from DCLG

b Clerk to contact companies re Solar Energy. Contacts to be given to clerk by Cllr Chitty. Letter of thanks to be sent to K Holland who had offered to address PC re solar energy.

c Letter from T Day read expressing views on possible future use of allotment land.

41/14 Parish Plan

Plan is with BC for approval.

42/14 Cemetery

a Inspection took place before the meeting. Hedge alongside driveway to be reduced in height by 5 feet. Clerk to obtain 3 quotes. Both benches need painting and one needs slat replacing. Councillors to do the work.

b Fees to be increased by 2.5%

Prop. – Cllr Coles

2nd – Cllr Anderson

Agreed

43/14 Review of Standing Orders

No changes recommended

44/14 Distribution of agenda papers by e-mail

Agreed that agenda and related papers to be sent to councilors by e-mail unless requested otherwise. 3 councillors requested paper copies to be posted to them. Suggested that sometime in future clerk to experiment with sending correspondence folder contents by same means. Clerk will do so as soon as time permits

45/14 Planning

- a 14/00378/F Proposed workshop and log store at The Walnuts, Stow Road. Application went to Planning Committee. Cllrs Smith and Chitty attended and re-iterated PC views recommending refusal. Planning Committee approved application
- b 14/00818/F Detached domestic garage (revised design) at 25 Stow Road Supported by PC with no additional comment
- C Land adjacent to Holley House. Letter received from owner for councilors to attend site meeting. Owner was present at the meeting and it was arranged for site visit to take place on 18th June. Planning application 14/00088/F Concern was raised that there appears to be an outer skin being built around the original barn building some distance from original walls with the intention of inners walls being demolished? It was thought that it was a conversion not a rebuild in the planning application. Also it was thought that fresh footings are being dug not in accordance with plans. Clerk to write to request a site visit from planning officer or enforcement officer to ensure planning permission is being adhered to

46/14 Finance

- a Accepted accounts to June 1st
- b Agree cheques to be signed and payments to be made

47/14 Councillors Concerns and agenda items Speedwatch and Parish Plan to be on agenda

48/14 Date of meeting

Next meeting – 10 July Cllr Coles to check accounts before July, September and October meetings

Meeting closed 8.45 pm

Chairman Date