

Wiggenhall St Mary Magdalen Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the above named Parish Council held on 10 November 2022
at Magdalen Village Hall, starting at 6.30pm

Present - Cllrs: R Bone, R Chitty, B Dent, C Girdler, J Morton,

Clerk – S Goodwin

2 members of the public
Cllr. Brian Long (BC)

In the absence of Cllr Heyes, Cllr Girdler was Chairman

122.22 Apologies for absence

Cllr P Heyes and Cllr A Rudd. Apologies accepted

123.22 Minutes of Meeting

Meeting held 13 October. Having been circulated previously, it was then agreed that the minutes were a true and accurate record of the meeting

124.22 Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations

None

125.22 Public Speaking

No comments

126.22 Matters arising (for information only)

97/22 Report from Duke of Edinburgh candidate who has continued litter picks following relevant papers being signed

127.22 Correspondence (for information only)

E-mails forwarded to councillors since last meeting

- a Norfolk Minerals and Waste Local Plan Pre-Submission Extension of time period to make representations
- b Examination of King's Lynn & West Norfolk Local Plan Review: Publication of Main Inspector's Questions and announcement of examination hearing dates
- c Norfolk ALC Newsletter - 21st October 2022
- d Downham Market, Watlington & Terrington Priority Setting Meeting Update
- e Help in a Crisis – Norfolkalc Wellbeing
- f The Borough Council of King's Lynn & West Norfolk: What are your priorities for helping rural areas?

Correspondence reported at meeting

- g Appeal received from Eagre News for volunteers else it may have to be discontinued, read at meeting.
- h Correspondence from Magdalen Academy confirming that they will not be requiring use of the village hall on 8 December, so PC can continue with plans to meet at Village Hall as usual
- i St Mary Magdalene Church invitation to take part in Christmas Tree Festival and Carol Service
Agreed that Cllr Chitty will construct a Christmas Tree and Cllr Dent will read a lesson at Carol Service

128.22 Highways

- a Clerk reported that bridge in Burnt Lane has steep drop at its join with the road, which is damaging car exhausts. NCC responded that no action will be taken at this time but situation will be monitored
- b Clerk reported that during recent playing field inspection trees from school are overhanging playing field

Agreed that school be requested to cut them back before March 2023 before grass trimming starts in 2023

- c Multiple complaints received about inconsiderate parking by contractors at 37 Stow Road

129.22 Reports

- a SAM2 has been relocated . Lynn Road location to be avoided during winter months as the pole is near a dip, which can be very slippery in wet weather
- b 4 speedwatch checks have been carried out with 13 vehicles reported
- c Defibrillator has been reset as it was unsure if it had been taken from case and replaced. Cllr Bone had sent monthly report.
- d Village Hall Cmte has placed advert in Eagle News for more Trustees as these are urgently needed.
- e Cllr Chitty gave a report on the wildlife currently appearing by the paddocks

130.22 Woodland

- a Trailer is now on track 1 at end of hard surfaced area. Contractor informed and reply received that it will be moved

Clerk to write and clarify that PC accepts no responsibility for it

- b P Jones has topped tracks, around woodland area and the acre of allotments this month. No alternative quotes obtained as work was urgent as detailed at September meeting and agreed by PC.
- c The tree baulks donated by a parishioner are now in woodland ready for strategic placing. Repayment to be made to Cllr Heyes for payment of fuel for these to be moved. Thanks given to J Anderson, M Nolan and H Gill for their help in donating them and assisting with taking them to the woodland glade.

131.22 Cemetery Sign

Almost complete. Anticipated to be in place by 30 November

132.22 Phone Boxes

Clerk had not had time to find any painters to ask for quotes yet, matter on list of jobs to be done. Kickboard to be obtained for Stow Road phone box

133.22 Financial Regulations Review

No amendments had been made since last year

Resolved that Financial Regulations be accepted

134.22 Paddocks/Allotments

- a After paddock inspection, clerk had contacted tenants with some concerns and replies had been received with explanations as to state of the paddocks. Copy of correspondence had been sent to all councillors before the meeting.

No further action to be taken at this time

- b Review of paddock/allotment fees was discussed. Rental had not changed for 5 years

Proposed, seconded and agreed that rental should remain at £60.75 per plot per annum plus drainage

- c Wording for Tenders for 2023 -2026 for allotment/paddock tracks and topping had been circulated to councillors and some amendments made

Wording was agreed and clerk to seek quotations. Matter to be on January agenda

135.22 Planning

Variation of condition 1 of planning permission 19/01124/RM: Reserved Matters application:
Construction of 9 dwellings at Plot 4 Land South of 85 Stow Road

No comment to be sent

136.22 Finance

a Resolved to accept monthly accounts to 31 October 2022

b *Resolved to pay schedule of payments*

Ref 61/22	AGDJ Brown Forestry Contractors			BP	375.00
Ref 62/22	P Jones	October		SO	459.60
Ref 63/22	HMRC			BP	134.51
Ref 64/22	Salary			SO	639.24
Ref 65/22	N Power October supply			DDM	64.55
Ref 66/22	M Nolan via P Heyes - bough relocating			BP	25.00

c John Cross was appointed as Internal Auditor for 22/23.

137.22 Councillors Concerns and Future Agenda Items

None

138.22 Public Speaking

Cllr Long gave update on his position on BC and information regarding possible funding available to Community Groups including Village Hall

139.22 Date of Next Meetings

8 December, 6.30pm at Magdalen Village Hall

Meeting closed at 19.40

Signature

Date