

Wiggenhall St Mary Magdalen Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the above named Parish Council held on 13 July 2023

Present - Cllrs: R Bone, R Chitty, C Girdler, P Heyes (Chairman), J Morton,

Clerk – S Goodwin

Two members of the public

54.23 Apologies for absence

None

55.23 Minutes of Meeting

Meetings held 8 June and 6 July. Having been circulated previously, it was then agreed that the minutes were a true and accurate record of the meeting

56.23 Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations

None

57.23 Public Speaking

More colour on PC notice board items suggested.

58.23 Matters arising (for information only)

45.23d Dips in cemetery inspected by Cllr Morton and Clerk. Maintainer will fill them with grave spoil

50.23f Official quotation received for weed control by village hall

128.22b Overhanging trees are still not being trimmed back by Magdalen Academy who have passed the matter to Darrel Wacker of Unity Education Trust. Clerk has written but received no reply. Maintainer unable to cut grass near school due to safety restrictions, working under overhanging trees. A suggestion that Village Hall cut them back was refuted by clerk, who stated that it is the responsibility of the school to maintain them.

59.23 Correspondence (for information only)

a Liz Truss MP still unable to attend PC meeting to meet with councillors but invited the PC to join the distribution list of her monthly newsletter

60.23 Highways

a Mill Road/Stow Rd footpath still requires weed clearance

b Eau Brink Farms have again trimmed footpaths and been thanked by Cllr Heyes, who will trim FP9 where it crosses a dyke

c Pot-hole in Mill Road to be reported

d Consideration of participating in Parish Partnership 24/25 to be on next agenda

61.23 Reports

a SAM2 to be moved next week

b 5 speedwatch team checks done with 19 vehicles reported out of 700. 2 police speed checks

c Regular monthly defibrillator report has been sent

d Litter pick had taken place with area remaining litter free for a record 48 hours

e Cllr Girdler reported that Village Hall woodland project is progressing with area of 2.47 acres to be planted with 11 trees. Financial assistance is being sought from NCC Million Trees Project and other sources

g Glade pathway in Magdalen Wildwood has been trimmed

62.23 Phone Boxes

A further quotation had been received for painting the phone boxes following 2 contractors letting the PC down with last minute cancellations

Resolved that the quotation of be accepted

63.23 Street Lighting

Notification had been received from Westcotec that from September 2023 they would no longer be maintaining street lighting. Clerk had obtained names of alternative maintainers and will obtain further details for next meeting

64.23 Tech Skills for Life Pilot

Project will take place in conjunction with Village Hall

65.23 Planning

None received

66.23 Finance

a Resolved to accept monthly accounts to 30June 2023

b Resolved to pay schedule of payments

Ref 30/23	P Jones	June				SO	£672.00
Ref 31/23	HMRC					BP	£101.60
Ref 32/23	Salary					SO	£419.68
Ref 33/23	N Power	June				DDM	£56.25
Ref 34/23	P Jones Village Hall area spraying April, May arrears					BP	£40.00

67.23 Councillors Concerns and Future Agenda Items

None

68.23 Public Speaking

None

69.23 Date of Next Meeting

14 September, 6.30pm at Magdalen Village Hall

Meeting closed at 19.10

Signature

Date