

Wiggenhall St Mary Magdalen Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the above named Parish Council held on 12 October 2023

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

Clerk – S Goodwin

One member of the public

92.23 Apologies for absence

None

93.23 Minutes of Meeting

Meetings held 14 September. Having been circulated previously, it was then agreed that the minutes were a true and accurate record of the meeting

94.23 Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations

None

95.23 Public Speaking

None

96.23 Matters arising (for information only)

- a 3 Year Contract signed with TT Jones, copy sent to all councillors
- b VHC acknowledged that there will be no Parish Council representative
- c Royal British Legion wreath received.

97.23 Correspondence (for information only)

All forwarded by e-mail

- a Consultation on additional evidence base documents, in response to the Inspectors' letter and note on further work required (30 January 2023)
- b Take action against local flooding with CPRE Norfolk
- c Permitted Development Rights information on consultation
- d Connect your community to the Slow Ways national walking network

98.23 Highways

- a Trench across Stow Road by new builds in old EA yard reported, trench now filled in
- b Request sent to NCC for Trod to be cleared between 2 bridges. Watlington PC will ask their contractor to spray the weeds there when the annual spray takes place

99.23 Reports

- a Police speedwatch checks undertaken
- b Speedwatch team continue to do checks at various sites with 7 vehicles being reported this last 2 checks
- d Litter pick undertaken but by next day another sizeable bag was filled with discarded cans left in less than 24 hours. Noted that this work is done on a voluntary basis but is extremely disheartening.
- e Cllr Girdler reported that Village Hall woodland project is progressing with and financial assistance is still being sought
- f Defibrillator checked and report sent
- g Wildlife in Magdalen Wild Wood is increasing. Barn and Tawny owls are in the area as are assorted warblers. Mace is growing well in the area but sadly Myxomatosis is spreading amongst the rabbit population.

100.23 Magdalen Wild Wood Update

Cllr Girdler still awaiting response from Woodland Trust concerning replacement trees and the cost. He will continue to pursue the matter

101.23 Standing Orders

No amendments made at annual review of standing orders

102.23 Planning

a 23/00983/F Proposed 2 storey side extension at 32 Stow Rd, Magdalen Approved by BC

b 22/02244/F Withdrawn application for proposed extension and change of use from existing hydrotherapy centre to residential dwelling at 76 Stow Rd, Stowbridge

c 23/01747/F Removal of Condition 3 and Variation of Condition 4 of Planning Permission

2/00/0872/F: Construction of 2 bungalows and garages, Land W of Waxwings, Vine Hill, Stow Bridge

No comment to be sent

103.23 Finance

a Resolved to accept monthly accounts to 30 September 2023

b Resolved to pay schedule of payments

Ref 49/23	Royal British Legion				BP	£100.00
Ref 51/23	P Jones	September			SO	£672.00
Ref 52/23	HMRC				BP	£101.60
Ref 53/23	Salary				SO	£419.68
Ref 54/23	N Power	September			DDM	£83.88
Ref 55/23	TT Jones - Light. Maint.				SO	£64.80
Ref 56/23	P Heyes -meeting expenses				BP	£12.30

104.23 Councillors Concerns and Future Agenda Items

None

105.23 Public Speaking

None

106.23 Date of Next Meeting

9 November, 6.30pm at Magdalen Village Hall

107.23 Resolved to exclude public and press in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted concerning staffing

108.23 Update on recruitment of Clerk/RFO and clarification concerning mentoring of new clerk

Meeting closed at 19.25

Signature

Date