

Wiggenhall St Mary Magdalen Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the above named Parish Council held on 14 December 2023

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

Clerk – S Hoggarth

1 member of public

S Goodwin attended as assistant Clerk

128.23 Apologies for absence

None

129.23 Minutes of the meetings

Meetings held 9 and 30 November. Having been circulated previously, it was then agreed that the minutes were a true and accurate record of the meetings

130.23 Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations

None

131.23 Public Speaking

Verbal complaint regarding the degeneration of white road markings in the village

132.23 Matters arising (for information only)

None

133.23 Correspondence (for information only)

None

134.23 Highways

- a i Water main repair on Stow Road resulted in depressions which are collecting water near Horseshoe Barn.
- a ii Ocado van diesel spill in Mill Road, member of public reported to Norfolk County Council, Clerk to follow up
- a iii Grit bins filled, PC to donate shovels
- a iv Burnt Lane to Ivy Manor Farm road surface damaged, binmen refusing to use. MOP having to drag bins to junction. Situation to be monitored by PC as matter has been reported by member of public (MOP)
- a v Hedge cut on Mill Road, brambles now appearing. Situation to be monitored by PC
- b Rangers visit in January, jobs to be requested include leaves blocking main drain on corner of Mill Road and Stow Road to be cleared.

Reports

- a Two Litter picks carried out by Cllr Morton with a third planned by Cllr Heyes
- b Cllr Dr Girdler gave an update on Village Hall Woodland project and application for monkey climb
- c Stow Road Phone Box defibrillator checked and OK
- d Three speedwatch checks carried out with 9 vehicles reported
- e Cllr Chitty relayed thanks from Church regarding the Christmas Tree donation

135.23 Magdalen Wild Wood Update

Cllr Dr Girdler is still discussing with Woodland Trust regarding 50% of replacement tree costs.

136.23 Custodian Trustee of Village Hall

It was formally stated that the Parish Council is the Custodian Trustee of the Village Hall.

137.23 Paddock/Allotments Report

- a It was agreed to allow a 3 month extension on a current contract for plots 15 - 30 until March with potential new tenant being discussed at the next meeting

b All Agreements for 2024 signed and witnessed.

138.23 Planning

No applications received

139.23 Finance

- a Resolved to accept monthly accounts to 30 November 2023
- b Clerk's contract signed and witnessed
- c Approved payment for Clerk Induction training and SLCC membership
- d Resolved to retrospectively approve purchase of laptop and printer for new Clerk. Redundant laptop and printer to be removed from asset list and new laptop and printer to be added.
- e Approved payments to S Goodwin acting in role of Assistant clerk to Magdalen PC
- f Resolved to pay schedule of payments

Ref 64/23	P Jones	November	SO	£672.00
Ref 65/23	HMRC		BP	£312.00
Ref 66/23	Salary		SO	£942.76
Ref 67/23	N Power	November	DDM	£110.72
Ref 68/23	S Goodwin Admin Expenses		BP	£78.00
Ref 69/23	Watlington PC (TROP)		BP	£100.00
Ref 70/23	APV Computers -Replacement laptop and printer		BP	£820.00
Ref 71/23	SLCC (Via S Hoggarth)		BP	£149.00
Ref 72/23	Red Shoes (Payroll)		BP	£52.20
Ref 73/23	Unity Bank		BP	£18.00

- g Received budget suggestions. Clerk to chase for Street Light invoices

140.23 Councillors' Concerns and Future Agenda Items

Magdalen Wild Wood, Allotment new tenancy

141.23 Public Speaking

None

142.23 Date of Next Meeting

11 January, 6.30pm at Magdalen Village Hall

Meeting closed at 19.15

Signature

Date