

Wiggenhall St Mary Magdalen Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the above named Parish Council held on 09 January 2025

Present - Cllrs: R Chitty, P Heyes (Chairman), J Morton, C Swaile, T Kenber
Clerk S Hoggarth

142.24 Apologies for absence

None

143.24 Minutes of the meetings

Meeting held on 12 December. Having been circulated previously, it was then agreed that the minutes were a true and accurate record of the meeting

144.24 Declarations of interest and dispensation requests

None

145.24 Public speaking

None

146.24 Matters arising (for information only)

None

147.24 Correspondence

Newsletters previously circulated

Letter from Member of Parish regarding agriculture traffic. Clerk to reply

148.24 Highways

- i Street light on entrance to Village Hall is not working. Clerk has reported and will chase.
- ii Mill Road, Fen Road and Burnt Lane have damage on edges of road, mud and potholes
- iii Flood defence by bridge off Church Road has been damaged, Clerk to report
- iv Clerk awaiting reply on footpath extension and Stow Road to Mill Road footpath barrier issue

149.24 Councillors and Clerk reports

- a Clerk reports defibrillator checked, is OK and report sent
- b Clerk reports 2 Speedwatch sessions carried out with 9 vehicles reported out of 230
- c Safety Camera Officer carried out 2 speed gun sessions
- d Cllr Morton carried out a litter pick along length of village
- e Cllr Heyes carried out a litter pick along Mill Road and Fen Road collecting a full bag, commented on increase of rubbish including gas canisters and soiled garments
- f Cllr Heyes cut back brambles along Mill Road
- g Resolved to purchase replacement litter pickers, Cllr Heyes to arrange

150.24 Biodiversity

- a Stonechats spotted, including a male. 78 swans observed including an Australian Black, 13 Mallards seen on river. Garden visitors include Redwings and Thrushes

151.24 Clock

Church Warden report clock is excessively chiming on the hour. Clerk awaiting confirmed visit date from engineers

152.24 Paddocks

- a Discussed rental of plots 40-54 and approved potential new tenant
- b Clerk provided update on issues reported over past month

153.24 Planning

- a Consider applications received
None
- b Application decisions
None

154.24 Finance

- a Resolved to accept monthly accounts to 31 December 2024
- b Resolved to pay schedule of payments

Ref 59/24	P Jones	SO	£672.00
Ref 60/24	Salary	SO	£534.24
Ref 61/24	Salary Correction Dec	BP	£204.12
Ref 62/24	Npower	DD	£119.47
Ref 63/24	Service Charge	SO	£6.00
Ref 64/24	Smith of Derby Clock Maintainance (3 years)	BP	£932.40
Ref 65/24	Viking	BP	£106.04
Transfer	20311960 to 20311957	BP	£3,000.00

- c Resolving banking access for new Councillor
- d Clerk had prepared a suggested budget and further budget suggestions were considered.
After consideration it was agreed that the budget for 2025/2026 should be set at £33000.04
- e Used budget from 153.24d, consideration was given to the required Precept for 25/26 and was increased to £17,500

155.24 Councillors’ concerns and agenda items

None

156.24 Public Speaking

None

157.24 Date of next meeting.

13 February 2025 6.30pm at Magdalen Village Hall

Meeting closed at 20.15

Signature Date