

# Wiggenhall St Mary Magdalen Parish Council

## Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the above named Parish Council held on 13 February 2025

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

### **158.24 Apologies for absence**

None

### **159.24 Minutes of the meetings**

Meeting held on 9 January. Having been circulated previously, it was then agreed that the minutes were a true and accurate record of the meeting

### **160.24 Declarations of interest and dispensation requests**

None

### **161.24 Public speaking**

None

### **162.24 Matters arising (for information only)**

None

### **163.24 Correspondence**

Newsletters previously circulated. Parishioner correspondence on concern on positioning of automated speed sign and traffic speed in Church Road noted and discussed. Clerk and Chair to formulate response.

### **164.24 Highways**

- i Street light on entrance to Village Hall is not working. Clerk ascertained it was responsibility of School.
- ii Mill Road, Fen Road and Burnt Lane have damage on edges of road, mud and potholes. To be reported to Highways. Some recent repairs appear to have been made over mud and have broken up again.
- iii Flood defence by bridge off Church Road has been damaged, EA sent an inspector but report not received yet
- iv Concern expressed about number of abandoned tyres and Nitrous oxide gas canisters found in and around village.
- v Correspondence has been sent to Eau Brink concerning grit bin in Fen Road, believed to have been damaged and moved to an unacceptable location by their contractors during sugar beet loading. Resolved that council will purchase a replacement bin and seek reimbursement from the contractor via Eau Brink farms.
- vi Road surface damage in Burnt Lane has been 'whitelined' by Highways. Burnt Lane bridge passage is now hazardous to car traffic. Clerk to report
- vii Mill Road damage reported to Eau Brink by Chair and by the council to highways.
- viii Clerk to chase response from Highways concerning previously reported dip in Stow Road
- ix Question on the Improvement of street lighting between Magdalen and Watlington discussed. This is in Watlington PC's remit, no action to be taken at this time.

### **165.24 Councillors and Clerk reports**

- a Clerk reports defibrillator checked, is OK and report sent
- b Speed watch checks carried out by Speedwatch team and Police Safety Camera Officer
- d Several litter picks have taken place and purchased litter picking equipment now available for councillors if they wish to use them

### **166.24 Annual Parish Meeting**

To be held before PC meeting on 10 April. APM to commence 6pm and to be advertised as widely as possible

### **167.24 Biodiversity**

Quiet month with nothing outstanding to report

#### 168.24 Clock

Clock chiming has been corrected by fixing bent gears and spring. Invoice received and approved.

#### 169.24 Paddocks

- a Discussed condition of plots 15 – 30 and concerns raised. Correspondence has been sent to tenant and discussions by chair and tenant to resolve have taken place. Resolved that allowances be made and situation to be closely monitored. Review at next PC meeting.

#### 170.24 Planning

- a **Planning Application Consultation 25/00170/F Construction of a new single storey modular classroom unit within the school grounds on the site of an existing modular building which is to be demolished at Wiggenhall St Mary Magdalen Primary School Park Crescent Wiggenhall St Mary Magdalen King's Lynn Norfolk PE34 3BU**

PC comment to be sent 'In principle, Wiggenhall St Mary Magdalen PC supports the application but wishes to express concern about safety of access by parishioners and users of playing field and school whilst works are taking place.

Village Hall Committee as Management Trustees will be making its own representation

- b **Application 24/02055/F 91A Stow Road Wiggenhall St Mary Magdalen KINGS LYNN Norfolk PE34 3BB - Householder: Proposed balcony and ground floor rear doors.**  
Application granted by borough council

#### 171.24 Finance

- a Resolved to accept monthly accounts to 31 January 2025  
b Resolved to pay schedule of payments

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| Ref 66/24 | P Jones                      | SO | £672.00 |
| Ref 67/24 | Salary                       | SO | £534.24 |
| Ref 68/24 | Npower                       | DD | £127.47 |
| Ref 69/24 | Service Charge               | SO | £6.00   |
| Ref 70/24 | Smith of Derby Clock Repair  | BP | £210.00 |
| Ref 71/24 | BCKLWN Dog Bins              | BP | £856.13 |
| Ref 72/24 | P Heyes Chairman's Allowance | BP | £76.55  |

- c Banking access for new Councillor progressing and log-in credentials received  
d Internal Audit review was approved  
e Systems of Internal Control review approved. Signed by the Chair. **Sam to sign on her return**

#### 172.24 Councillors' concerns and agenda items

None

#### 173.24 Public Speaking

None

#### 174.24 Date of next meeting.

13 March 2025 6.30pm at Magdalen Village Hall

Meeting closed at 19.45

Signature .....

Date .....