

Wiggenhall St Mary Magdalen Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the above named Parish Council held on 11 December

Present - Cllrs: R Chitty (Chairman), J Morton, T Kenber, C Swaile

1 member of the public

Clerk S Hoggarth

116.25 Elect

- a **Chairman** – With his agreement Cllr Chitty was proposed, seconded and agreed. Declaration of Acceptance was signed
 - b **Vice Chairman** - With his agreement Cllr Morton was proposed, seconded and agreed. Declaration of Acceptance was signed
- Thanks was given to outgoing Chairman Cllr Heyes for all his outstanding work.

117.25 Apologies for absence

None

118.25 Minutes of the meetings

Meeting held on 13 November. Having been circulated previously, it was then agreed that the minutes were a true and accurate record of the meeting

119.25 Declarations of interest and dispensation requests

None

120.25 Public speaking

None

121.25 Matters arising

None

122.25 Correspondence (for information only)

As sent

123.25 Highways

- a Shovel in the Fen Road grit bin broken, Clerk to purchase replacement
- b Sink hole by the layby on Stow Road has been patched
- c Flooding of road and footpath caused by blocked drains on Stow Road reported to highways
- d Lighting and footpaths OK
- e Brambles on Mill Road overhanging road, Clerk to action

124.25 Councillors and Clerk reports

- a Cllr Morton carried out a litter pick with 2 half bags collected
- b Camera Safety Officer has attended once with 2 vehicles reported
- c 4 Speedwatch sessions with 9 vehicles reported out of 450
- d Clerk reported defib check had been carried out all OK and report sent
- e Parishioner carried out a litter pick along Mill Road
- f Cllr Kenber reported on concerns of HGV/agriculture traffic on Church Road damaging properties. Clerk to investigate options with Highways

125.25 Biodiversity

Whooper Swans, pink footed geese and tawny owls seen in the skies over the Fens. No winter thrushes or redwings seen as yet, but mistle thrushes seen. Abundance of berries showing a lack of smaller birds. Mottled umber Moths flying in good numbers.

126.25 Devolution

Questionnaire provided by Norfolk ALC regarding devolution was completed. Clerk to submit

127.25 Paddocks

Generally ok although a lot of rubbish in the ditch, to be monitored.

128.25 Planning

- a Consider applications received - None
- b Application decisions - None

129.25 Finance

- a Resolved to accept monthly accounts to 30 November
- b Resolved to pay schedule of payments

Ref 58/25	P Jones	BP	£672.00
Ref 59/25	P Jones CORRECTION LAST INVOICE	BP	£45.00
Ref 60/25	Salary	SO	£547.76
Ref 61/25	HMRC	BP	£23.52
Ref 62/25	Service Charge	BP	£6.00
Ref 63/25	Npower	SO	£129.95
Ref 64/25	Red Shoes	BP	£52.20
Ref 65/25	Clerk Expenses	BP	£34.00
Ref 66/25	TROD (Watlington)	BP	£125.00

- c Resolved to update banking access – Add T Kember, remove P Heyes
- d Received budget suggestions

130.25 Councillors' concerns and agenda items

Village Survey

131.25 Public Speaking

None

132.25 Date of next meeting

15 January 2026 6.30pm at Magdalen Village Hall

Meeting closed at 19.50

Signature

Date