



Minutes of the meeting of Westhorpe Parish Council held on Tuesday 8 May 2018 at 19:30 in the Village Hall.

In attendance:

Mr D Barker (Chairman), Mrs H. Wilkinson, Mr. R. Lambert, Mr S. Christian

Present:

C Kennedy (Clerk)

Public participation

There were 5 members of the public present.

18.1 Apologies and approval of absences.

Apologies were received from Cllr. Gladders, Cllr. Caley and Cllr. Cotgrove.

18.2 Declarations of interest

No declarations of interest were made.

18.3 To consider requests for dispensations

No dispensations were required to be granted.

18.4 To approve as accurate, the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held of 6 March 2018

Cllr. Christian proposed the minutes as accurate, seconded by Cllr. Lambert and approved by all. They were signed and dated by the Chairman.

18.5 Address by Sally Connick, CAS regarding the Good Neighbour Scheme

Sally gave her talk during the Annual Parish Council meeting.

18.6 Progress Reports

18.6.1 Street Signage

The Clerk confirmed that BMSDC would be paying for 2 x THE STREET signs and 2 x CHURCH ROAD signs. The sign THE CRESCENT would need to be paid for by the Parish Council, but would not come to more than £50.

18.6.2 Village Sign

No further action.

18.6.3 Barclays Bank Mandate Change

It was agreed to address this in the July meeting.

18.7 Planning Matters

18.7.1 New applications

DC/18/01498 - Land Adjacent To Kells House Church Road Westhorpe Suffolk. Application was noted, amendments are in keeping with the surroundings.

18.7.2 <u>Decisions or other Planning Matters</u>

There were none.

18.8 District Councillor's Report

This was given during the Annual Parish Council meeting.

18.9 County Councillor's Report

This was given during the Annual Parish Council meeting.

18.10 Closure of local bus services

This discussion was had during the Annual Parish Council meeting.

18.11 Citizens' Advice Bureau

It was agreed by all Cllrs that the Parish Council cannot afford to donate to everything.

18.12 Clerk's Report, account balances and requests for Payment

The current account balance was £2515.23 and the savings account balance £1343.79. Approval of the Annual Governance Statement and Accounting Statements was proposed by Cllr. Lambert and seconded by Cllr. Christian and duly signed by the Chairman and the Clerk. The Clerk presented cheques for payment to MSDC for collection of dog waste bins (£84.00) and hire of the Village Hall (£38.00) and these were duly signed by Cllr. Barker and Cllr. Lambert.

18.13 Correspondence for information

Correspondence had been forwarded by email, and none considered worthy of discussion.

18.14 Clerk's report on urgent decisions since the last meeting

There was nothing to report.

18.15 Questions to the Chairman

The Chairman of the Village Hall Committee, Sue Hull, requested some locality award money for the purchase of some activities for the Village Hall. The Committee's primary choice was for a New Age Kurling set for £243 + VAT. Alternatively, there was the slightly cheaper Boccia for £112 + VAT. The Chairman confirmed that there was £300 available from the locality award, less the £50 for the sign THE CRESCENT, the Parish Council would be in a position to contribute £250. Cllr. Lambert proposed, Cllr. Wilkinson seconded and all were in favour. The Clerk is to raise a cheque for signature once notification is received from Sue Hull.

18.16 Date of the next meeting

Tuesday 3 July 2018

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 22,04.

Camilla Kennedy, Clerk to Westhorpe Parish Council.

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