

Wingfield Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Date: June 19th.2020

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| "Virtual" Parish Council Meeting | Action |
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| <p>Lockdown restrictions have prevented any scheduled public meetings. In its place the council met in Charlotte Claxton's garden to catch up with issues that have been building up since the last meeting held on Jan 24th,2020</p> <p>Attendance: Parish Councillors: Lee Smith; Tony Jolly; Guy Mathais; Rosemary Elliott; Robin Feaveareyear; Charlotte Claxton & Dennis Murray</p> <p>Apologies: None</p> <p>District & County Councillors: They could not attend because of restrictions but both sent reports that were circulated before the meeting.</p> <p>Residents: None</p> <p>Declaration of Interest: Residents complaint (All councillors) Planning (Councillors: Tony Jolly & Robin Feaveareyear)</p> <p>Signing of Minutes of Jan 24th Meeting: The Chairman signed as correct record.</p> <p>Chairman's Opening Remarks The Chairman began the meeting with a number of thankyou's to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Covid 19 support team so ably supervised by Councillor Rosemary Elliott • Nicky & Eleanor for planting the raised beds on the Crescent • Bob Elliott who is retiring from 12 years managing the distribution of Village Voice to every home in Wingfield. (A task to taken over by Matt & Lorraine Ware) <p>And, mark the passing of Dereck Baker, a Wingfield resident all his life.</p> | |
| <p>Agenda Items</p> <p>1. Corvid-19 Support Team Update RE informed the meeting that the team was 17 strong at the height of the lockdown serving the community needs for food, medicines and social contact. Two mailings were distributed informing residents of the help that was available. Although the lockdown restrictions are now being eased and commercial delivery services have improved it was agreed to carry on with the team until an "all clear" was announced.</p> <p>2. Housing development The proposal by CAS for a Housing Survey was rejected because it was intrusive, restrictive and unsuitable for meeting Wingfield's needs</p> <p>3. Wingfield Green maintenance Now that the sheep grazing opportunity has unfortunately been taken off the table the Council has to consider other options. Last year, when the entire Green was "topped" there was a</p> | <p>RE to continue with the Corvid-19 Team</p> <p>Clerk to investigate a Neighbourhood Plan for the village</p> |

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| <p>minority of residents critical because of the potential damage to the floral & fauna. This year it was agreed to get everyone to agree with the maintenance plan.</p> <p>To this end the Council has liaised with Suffolk Wild Life to guide the plan. According to SWT no action should be taken until the Autumn</p> <p>4. Residents complaint: Post Mortem This problem has been going on since July 2019. The Chairman opened the discussion stating that the Council closed the case on Jan 24th 2020 when it could find no justification for the complaint. The complainants, however, have continued to air their concerns with the Council, residents and MSDC. In these communications it has been claimed that Vice Chairman Anthony Jolly visited their home to apologise. The Chairman asked AJ for an explanation. AJ responded by explaining to the Council that his visit was a response to their letter sent to all Councillors on Jan 10th. He was fed up with their behaviour and wanted them to know. At no time did he apologise for the Parish Council’s behaviour. In fact he totally supports the action taken by the Council in this matter.</p> <p>The meeting concluded unanimously that there is no justification for the complaint.</p> <p>Planning:</p> <p>1. The Bungalow, Vicarage Road (DC/20/01866) This application was recommended by the Parish Council</p> <p>2. Meadow View (DC/19/04902) This PA was turned down by the Planning Department despite its recommended approval by the PC. The applicant’s appeal will be fully supported by the PC.</p> <p>Clerks Report</p> <p>1. Village improvements The new street signs for Goulder Farm Lane, Earsham St & Castle Crescent have been installed. The new noticeboard will go up by July as will the bench on Castle Crescent Green. The defibrillator needs a new location. No viable alternatives to the pub can be found.</p> <p>2. 2019/20 Audit The audit was approved (proposed by GM & seconded by AJ) The Chairman signed the documentation</p> <p>3. Status of bank balance: £10,188 @ 18.6.20</p> <p>4. Cheques for signing: Proposed by GM & seconded by AJ Cheque #609 -£1182 (Parish Noticeboard Co); #610-£146.16 (CAS Insurance); #606-38.43 (Covid-19 Printing); #607-£91 (HMRC); #611-£500 (Churchyard maintenance); #612-£348.65 (Clerk’s fee-April); #613-£183.01 (SALC membership); #614-£12 (Website domain name fee); #615-£219 (Website 2 year fee); #616-£315.46 (Clerk’s fee-May/June); #617-£91 (HMRC Q1)</p> | <p>Clerk to post SWT guidelines on the website</p> <p>Clerk to inform Planning Dept</p> <p>Applicant to inform PC of appeal dates</p> <p>PC to decide at next meeting</p> |
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Other Matters

1. DM informed the meeting that the VAS sign has now been installed in Syleham in accordance with the agreement between the two Parish Councils
2. DM also informed that residents are enquiring about why Wingfield has no dog poo bins. A simple request but problems with location and cost of emptying.

To be tabled at next meeting

The meeting closed at 8.30PM and the next meeting is dependant upon future lockdown status

Signed

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