Wingfield Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Date: **Sept 7th, 2022** [5/22]

Scheduled Parish Council Meeting at Village Hall

Action

Attendance:

Parish Councillors: Lee Smith; Tony Jolly; Rosemary Elliott; Robin

Feavearyear; & Charlotte Claxton

Apologies: Guy Mathias & Dennis Murray

District & County Councillors: Lavinia Haddingham (MSDC). Peter

Gould (SCC) remains ill

Residents: Two plus Village Hall rep (Julie Thompson) and delegation

from Syleham and Hoxne re: B1118

Declaration of Interest: None

Signing of minutes: Minutes of June 22nd meeting were signed as

correct.

District & County Council Reports:

These were distributed to Parish Councillors prior to the meeting.and are attached. Both led with measures to contain the imminent "cost of living crisis" that will affect some of our residents.

.Agenda Items

1. Speeding on B1118

This was brought to the PC's attention firstly by a resident living at Chickering Cottages after 3 accidents outside the property. The Clerk contacted the police and their response was read out at the meeting.

Subsequently other residents from Syleham and Hoxne contacted the PC with the same problem with the B1118. They were invited to attend this meeting

It was concluded that all 3 parishes should work together in canvassing our SCC Councillor and Suffolk Highways to address the problem.

A subsequent response from the police acknowledged the danger, have booked a speed monitoring survey at Chickering Corner but stressed its limited effectiveness because of the national speed limit of 60 mph in force.

Clerk to follow up

2. Wingfield Green

- The undergrowth running alongside the Castle needs cutting back
- It was agreed to sanction a local resident metal detecting the Green with the following caveats:
 - Permission is restricted only until the end of Dec 22 when it will be reviewed

- The sheep, ecologigical area and proximity to the Castle should be avoided
- Anything of value over £200 should be shared with St Andrews Church

 RF informed the Council that the sheep will be returning to the Green Clerk to action

3. New Speed (VAS) sign

It was agreed to go ahead with the purchase at £2,500 (ex VAT) although only a £500 donation from Syleham PC was available to subsidise the purchase.

Clerk to organise

4. J's Meadow Playground

The Clerk presented the plans and how they could be paid for. The Council agreed to the donation of £250 outlined. The Village Hall thanked the Council for their help.

Clerk to action

5. Wingfield Car Park development

The Council has received overtures for money for this project. The Council awaits sight of the plan for this development

GM & DM to action

Status Reports

1. Website

The Clerk informed the Council that the site had been tidied up and brought up to date.

2. Signage for places of interest in Wingfield's Oral History Programme

Examples of signs, similar to street signage with supporting posts, were shown by the Clerk. These were approved with a budget in 2022/23 of £250.

Clerk to progree wit TJ

3. Need to appoint external auditor for 22/23 Audit

It is now the responsibility of the PC to have its annual accounts audited by an external, qualified auditor. Jonathen Wingfield was recommended The appointment has to be made by Nov 30th and the authorities informed

Clerk to action

4. Adoption of management protocols recommended by MSDC

These protocols were distributed to Councillors prior to the meeting. It was agreed to adopt them

Clerk to action

Clerk's Report

Rosemary Elliott

Rosemary, after 5 years sterling service, will retire from the Council at its next meeting and her replacement needs to be co-opted. This will be for the period upto May '23 as this is election time for the Council which if contested will cost £1,100!

Clerk to action

Half yearly management accounts
 The Clerk presented these with all the forecast second half expenditures covered.

 Planning
 Wingfield Hall (DC/22/03680) – approved
 Old Vicarage (DC/22/03714) – approved

Bullocks Hill Farm (DC/22/04628) - insufficient

Clerk to inform Planning

- Status of bank balance: £10,638.91 @ Sept 6th, 2022
- Cheques for signing: Annual Church Grant plus £500 for tree surgery (£1000 #673) CAS Insurance 22/23 (£162.40 #674): Clerk's Aug/Sept `22 fee & expenses (£422 #675); HMRC (£200 #676)

The meeting closed at 8.50PM.

information

The next will be held on Wednesday, Oct 26th, 2022 at Wingfield and Syleham Village Hall

Signed Date