
Wentworth Parish Council

Minutes of meeting : 8th February 2017

at 7.30pm in the Church Hall

Present Cllr D Lee (Chair) Cllr C Stone
 Cllr S Springthorpe Clerk – Mrs A Lowes
 Cllr E Atkin 1 Resident
DC Mark Hugo

1.	Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Greg Lowes, DC Steve Cheetham, and DC Stuart Smith and CC Bill Hunt.
	The Chair agreed to take the following item early.
4.	District Councillors report. DC Hugo reported on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The improvements to the ECDC website, notably the Planning Portal • Council Tax reduction scheme for empty properties • Buildings of Local Interest • The Air Quality Status report 2016 • The Infrastructure update report for January 2017
	Cllr Hugo left the meeting at 8.00pm
2.	Minutes of the last meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The minutes of the last meeting were approved and signed.
3.	Matters arising. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parking at Shire Hall. A further letter and telephone call have still received no reply. Cllr Springthorpe will try to contact CCC.
5.	Correspondence. Cllrs noted the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Gritting update letter stating that gritting routes have been returned to 2016 levels • FenScene magazine – request for Minutes for Publication and advertising kit. • A letter from Ely Foodbank asking for votes on Hopkins Homes Charity website. Councillors felt the whole scheme could be promoted to villagers but not one specific charity. • Pensions Regulator. The Clerk confirmed all paperwork relating to the Automatic Pension enrolment has been completed.

6.	<p>Playpark Maintenance 2017/18. Cllr Lee and Cllr Atkin declared an interest in this item.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was proposed by Cllr Springthorpe and seconded by Cllr Stone that the Parish Council accepts the quotes from Mr Lee, Mr Atkin and Mr Twigden to complete the Churchyard and Playpark ground work for the 2017/18 period. <p>Lease.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The new Lease has been completed and runs until January 2023 <p>Ongoing Maintenance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A plan for the renewal of the pathways will be discussed at the next meeting. A group of Councillors and the Clerk will meet at the playpark on 26th February to coppice the cornus.
7.	<p>Planning.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nothing to report.
8.	<p>HGV Covenant.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was agreed that there isn't a problem with any of the companies who have signed up to the agreement at present. Therefore the situation will be monitored and the Covenant put in place at a later date if necessary.
9.	<p>Parish Conference.</p> <p>Cllr Springthorpe gave a brief overview of the Parish Conference he attended on 3rd February. The topics covered were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Waste services Talk from the Police and Crime Commissioner. The Town and Parish Council survey (has been emailed to all Parish Councillors) The new Eyes and Ears service. Information will be passed to all Councillors with a view to asking a representative to the next meeting.
10.	<p>Accounts for payment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wentworth Parochial Church Council (Hall Hire 8th February 2017) £15.00 Wentworth fundraising (Publication of minutes 8th February 2017) £10.00 <p>Confirmation of accounts already paid:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> HEY Solicitors (Playpark lease) £270.00 <p>Proposed by Cllr Springthorpe and seconded by Cllr Atkin</p>
	<p>Any other business.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cllr Springthorpe reported that the pothole outside the playpark still hasn't been filled satisfactorily. The Clerk will report again.
	<p>The Meeting closed at 9.00pm</p>

Signed..... Dated.....