

WILLINGHAM BY STOW PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES of the MEETING of WILLINGHAM by STOW PARISH COUNCIL
held via Teams online on Tuesday 9th March 2021 at 8pm**

Present: Cllrs D Bingham (Chairman), Q Connell, M Row, D Wain, S Webster from 2021/170

In Attendance: L Brooks-Sleight (Clerk), Cllr R Buttroid from 2021/169

2021/166 Apologies for Absence

None received

2021/167 Public Participation

None present

2021/168 Minutes of last Meetings

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 9th February 2021 were approved & signed as a true and correct record **Resolved**

2021/169 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Row - 2021/178 Planning ref: 142225 – personal interest

Cllr Bingham – 2021/173 - prejudicial interest

2021/170 Representatives Report

LCC Cllr Buttroid spoke to the council

- Household waste tips open for all but still need to book
- LCC Digital grants for businesses that haven't had any other help due to Covid on LCC website
- Extra money is now available for potholes across the county
- Corringham Rd junction now complete
- Councillors voted against allowance increase on Council Tax

2021/171 Clerks Report

- VAT Refund form has been submitted & payment received
- Memorial Garden – the frame and bench are in position, but the bench has been placed in an unsuitable position. Clerk to contact Mr Heather with Cllr Wain to discuss a more suitable position. Soil is now required to fill the frame.

2021/172 Grass Cutting Tender 2021

Only 1 tender was received from N Heather, last years contractor, quote as last year. This was approved. Clerk to contact Mr Heather requesting his public insurance certificate. **Resolved**

2021/173 Parish Field Tender

Only 1 tender for the parish field was received for 2021 from D Bingham for £135. This was approved. Clerk to contact with agreement and request payment beginning April 2021. **Resolved**

2021/174 LALC Annual Membership 2021/21

The payment was approved. **Resolved**

Signed:

Dated: 12th April 2021

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2021/175 Annual Parish Meeting

The chairman & clerk had discussed this meeting and it was decided due to no groups/activities currently meeting in the VH and covid restrictions, it would be best to arrange at a later date when face to face permitted and all groups active again. **Resolved**

2021/176 April Meeting

Due to the clerk unable to attend the scheduled April 13th PC meeting, the meeting has been approved to Monday, 12th April at 8pm via online Teams. **Resolved**

2021/177 Highways

- An update on Marton Road floods was received from Highways, Cllr Buttroid spoke of the issues & repairs carried out, and of the mess in the ditch, the trees that were removed but left in a messy condition. Cllr Buttroid to contact HW. Future work required - further pipework down the High St to the corner.
- Stow Rd Closure 16th – 19th March
- Yellow lines near Doctor's surgery – made a good improvement, good visibility down the road.

2021/178 Planning

To receive any correspondence/decisions by WLDC and discuss any planning applications.

Ref: 141858 - Outline planning application for demolition of existing buildings and 5no.

dwelling with all matters reserved Cotgarth Farm Cotgarth Lane *Granted subject to condition Received*

Ref: 142225 - Planning application for change of use of land from agricultural to siting of up to 12no. touring caravan pitches (4no. hardstanding and 8no. grass pitches), 2no. bell tents, 2no. glamping pods, creation of a permanent natural pond and associated access and parking. 25 High St

Comments after discussion to be sent to WL **Resolved**

- have concerns on the entrance from the High Street where in the past, caravans have had trouble turning into the site due to double parking issues on this section of the High Street.

This section of the High St has parking issues, vehicles parking on each side of the carriageway due to the close proximity of the Village Hall and the local pub, making vehicle access difficult and sometimes unpassable.

The PC would like to suggest double yellow lines on the High St, opposite the entrance (from the village hall to School Lane) to help ease traffic congestion, stop double parking and assisted in the turning of vehicles/caravans into the site, helping the flow of traffic up/down the High St.

Cllr Buttroid to contact HW regarding the existing High St issues & yellow lines.

2021/179 Finance

The monthly accounts for payment were received and approved **Resolved**

100952	Salary February	240.07	240.07
100953	Salary March + Office Allowance	525.22	525.22
100954	Memorial Garden mins 2020/106	430.00	430.00
	Total		1195.29

2021/180 Correspondence for Discussion

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Correspondence for Information

- a. NALC CORONAVIRUS UPDATE (emailed prior)
- b. Town and parish council newsletter February 2021 (emailed prior)
- c. Environment Agency Routine Maintenance factsheet (emailed prior)

2021/181 Agenda Items for next meeting and to take any points from members.

- Cllr Connell informed the council of his attendance at the VH Committee meeting with information of events planned and of a grant of £9000 received going to help organisations get back to normal.
 - 22nd May- Spring garage sale
 - 17th and 18th June - Open gardens
 - August Bank Holiday - "Covid 19" survivors celebration
- Cllr Wain commented on the poor condition of Cot garth Lane & Stonepit Lane

2021/182 To consider the exclusion of the public and press in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s1 (2) due to the confidential nature of the items to be Discussed none

The date & time of next Parish Council meeting as Monday 12th April 2021 at 8pm (via Teams online)