

**WILLINGHAM BY STOW PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES of the MEETING of WILLINGHAM by STOW PARISH COUNCIL  
held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2019, 8pm**

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**Present:** Cllrs D Bingham (Chairman), P Bates, D Leak, M Row, D Wain

**In Attendance:** L Brooks-Sleight (Clerk)

**2019/1 Apologies for Absence**

Received from Cllrs Foreman – family & Webster - holiday

**2019/2 Minutes of last Meetings**

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2018 were approved & signed as a true and correct record **Resolved**

**2019/3 Declarations of Interest**

None received

**2019/4 Representatives Report**

The Crime report for January & February were emailed prior to meeting

**2019/5 Clerks Report**

- Wildlife Grant – publications sent to Willingham is Wonderful, Parish Magazine and Clerks and Councils Direct. Also claim form completed and invoice sent for the £500 grant towards the owl boxes and holly hedging.
- Notice board – handyman has inspected the board on Grange Lane, and it is in a very poor state and needs replacing. Clerk to obtain quotes from Pelican Trust for a wooden notice board with similar measurements.
- Spring Clean 2019 – requested from WLDC. The council decided as we have resident's kind enough to litter pick regularly, there is no need to organise a spring clean
- Green Garden Waste 2019 for the Cemetery has been paid for
- Email received from a resident with his concerns over Planning Ref: 138748

**2019/6 Parish Field Tender**

The Tender spec was approved and clerk to advertise – Notice Board; website; Facebook. All tenders to be received by 11<sup>th</sup> March to be presented at the March 12<sup>th</sup> meeting

**2019/7 Grass Cutting Tender**

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**2019/8 Village Benches/seats**

The condition & quotes for new benches on Grange Lane/High St corner and High St/Gainsborough Rd were discussed. It was approved to purchase 2 new benches made from recycled plastic at a cost of £295 each + delivery, bracket pack & VAT.

Cllr Bates requested from the council – he would like to upgrade the bench on Grange Lane to a wooden bench with a memorial plaque to his Father – Ralph Bates who served for many years on the Parish Council. After further discussion, it was approved for Cllr Bates to upgrade the bench with the council paying to cost of a recycled bench and Cllr Bates paying the extra. Also, Cllr Bates is cleaning the Millennium Sign and will get a suitable post to erect in position. Clerk to order 1 recycled bench. **Resolved**

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**Signed:**

**Dated:** 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019

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#### 2019/9 Cemetery

The request for a plaque in the cemetery was discussed and as the person requesting the plaque wasn't the Exclusive Rights of Grave Owner, the council refused. If the owner requested the plaque this would be approved. **Resolved**

#### 2019/10 Churchyard Trees/Bushes

After discussion, it was decided to leave the bush as not large enough to affect the wall but to monitor it. **Resolved**

#### 2019/11 High Street

Cllr Bingham raised the concerns of cars double parking on the High Street especially around the Village Hall/pub area, causing obstructions for farm machinery/lorries & emergency vehicles- the council discussed – What can be done? Options – double yellow lines? layby? It was decided to ask the clerk to contact HW & Police to ask for ideas/advice to solve the issue. Also, to email groups that attend the village hall to make aware of the parking issues and to ask if all could be considerate when parking.

#### 2019/12 Highways

- 10<sup>th</sup> Jan - The ridge in the road on church corner has been assessed and work has been scheduled – be informed when completed
- 10<sup>th</sup> Jan – Marton Rd potholes have been filled and job completed Cllr Bingham met an AW man and the potholes are coming back, AW are requesting another job.

#### 2019/13 Correspondence for Discussion/Decision

- a. Lincolnshire Best Kept Village Competition (emailed prior) – not at this time **Resolved**
- b. LALC Annual Training Scheme (emailed prior) approved **Resolved**
- c. Lincs Env Awards 2018 (emailed prior) – no interest **Resolved**
- d. Welcome to Community Tails! (emailed prior) – no interest **Resolved**

##### **Correspondence for Information**

- a. LALC News 167 (emailed prior)
- b. Village Hall AGM (emailed prior)
- c. Elections May 2019 - Briefing session being held - IMPORTANT INFORMATION (emailed prior)
- d. Lincoln Travel/Transport Consultation (emailed prior)
- e. The Rural Bulletin - 05 February 2019 (emailed prior)

#### 2019/14 Planning

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

Ref: 138748 - Outline planning application to erect 3no. dwellings-access to be considered and not reserved for subsequent applications, Newton Place, Marton Road – PC comments

- *This development would increase the amount of traffic on what is already a very busy road.*
- *There is a large quantity of vehicles that park regularly on Marton Road outside Howson House care home from staff/visitors, and the speed of traffic in the area is a concern for the village.*
- *The Parish Council would like to suggest a wider drive for some of the access & opening onto the road to reduce any blocking whilst vehicles enter/exit the properties. **Resolved***

Ref: 138786 - Outline planning application for 2no. detached dwellings with all matters reserve, Land adj to, 32, Stow Road, The Gables, Marton Rd – *been refused by WLDC*

Ref: LCC PL/0130/18, 138772, Park Farm -*granted by LCC*

2019/15 **Finance**

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

100849	Salary January	254.71
100850	Hilltop Tree Services	840.00
100851	Handyman - NB/High St sign	136.00
100852	Agri-cycle - recycled bench	399.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£1,629.71</b>

2019/16 **Agenda Items for next meeting and to take any points from members** none

2019/17 **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**

- NALC National Salary Award 2019-2020 approved **Resolved**

**To confirm the date & time of next Parish Council meeting as Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 8pm**

Meeting Ends 9.10pm

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**Signed:**

**Dated:** 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019

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