

WILLINGHAM BY STOW PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES of the September MEETING of WILLINGHAM by STOW PARISH COUNCIL
held on Tuesday 4th November 2021 at 8pm in Willingham Village Hall**

Present: Cllrs D Bingham (Chairman), M Bates, Q Connell, D Leak, E Panter, D Wain, S Webster.

In Attendance: L Brooks-Sleight (Clerk) 3 residents present up to 2021/285

2021/277 Apologies for Absence

Cllr Buttroid LCC, Cllr Coulson WLDC

2021/278 Public Participation

Chairman suspended the meeting – 2 residents spoke regarding item 2021/283- the feedback from Highways and site meeting with requests for the PC to consider – gateways/reactive signs/community speed watch.

1 resident spoke regarding item 2021/289 – request to plant 75 trees at the Playing Field to celebrate 75years of the Horticultural Society.

2021/279 Minutes of last Meetings

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

2021/280 Declarations of Interest

None received

2021/281 Representatives Report

Crime Report received from Saxilby Police

2021/282 Clerks Report

- The Defibrillator was taken to Howson House in October but wasn't needed in the end and has been returned to the village hall. Need to order child's electrode pads as they have expired and also need to purchase antiseptic wipes. Clerk to purchase
- NB – Mr Heather has had another look at the notice board and has estimated it will cost £150- £200 to repair (replace the pin board, paint the exterior, and probably put a piece of hard wood over the top to stop the water getting in again) Approved
- Regular litter pickers in the village have enquired about a litter bin at the bus stop on Gainsborough Rd (opposite the Fox & Hounds) as they regularly collect lots of litter in the hedge bottom. I've enquired at WL who are accessing the site and if suitable will install a bin
- An internal audit has been requested from LALC; they will instruct an auditor to contact the clerk to make arrangements to conduct the audit
- Cemetery Water supply – Anglian Water are now accessing the PC request to install a water supply at the cemetery. The main water connection is located near Howson House on Marton Rd

2021/283 Traffic Calming

Emails from a HWs site meeting with residents was sent prior to the meeting. This was discussed in detail. The PC would like a site meeting to discuss possible sites for reactive speed signs; to request larger 30mph sign on Stow Rd; request 40mph speed limit on Stow Rd & Gainsborough Rd before the 30mph limit. possible signs – Drive Safely/Slow village. Community Speed watch – not suitable for the village. Village gateway – advised against these a few years ago by HWs due to accidents/insurance.

2021/284 **Donation requests - Section 137 2021/22**

- a. Church Lights – the £75 request to purchase a light unit was discussed and approved **Resolved**
- b. Winter Festival – the request for Christmas Lights Competition prizes was discussed and approved to donated £60 **Resolved**

2021/285 **Grant Funding Requests 2022/23**

Grant Funding requests were received from The Village Hall and the Playing Field Committees. Cllr Connell reported back from the VH Committee Meeting. These were discussed and approved to donate £500 to the Village Hall Committee **Resolved** And to ask the Playing Field Committee for more details of their request – quotes//breakdown on costs for each project/task to discuss at the next meeting in December.

2021/286 **Budget 2022/23**

The budget was discussed and will be added to the next meeting or more discussion and approval

2021/287 **Precept Estimate 2022/23**

The precept was discussed and approved to submit a precept estimate of £14,000 to be reviewed at the next meeting

2021/288 **Solar Farms in West Lindsey**

Emails sent prior to meeting; the PC would like more information/meeting to gather more detail of the Solar Farm Projects. Cllr Coulson happy for residents to contact her for more details. Clerk to contact Cllr Coulson to arrange a meeting.

2021/289 **Playing Field**

Emails sent prior to meeting. The deeds of the Playing Field show that the area for planting of the 75 trees as requested, has underground high voltage electric cables with restrictions against any planting/structures in the area and the deeds state only land used for recreational use. Another area was discussed as a possible location for the trees – councillors to arrange a site meeting to be discussed at the next meeting.

2021/290 **St Helens Church**

Information of routine/safety tree pruning received and noted. **Resolved**

2021/291 **Cemetery**

Cllr Wain spoke to the council about the ashes area of the cemetery – untidy; no defined area that needs attention. Councillors to view the area prior to the next meeting to be discussed with possible ideas of improvements. Also the need to level graves or top up graves with top soil – clerk to ask N Heather to do this early next year

2021/292 **Highways**

- 4 small ditches have been dug out on Marton Rd where the flooding was and then a follow up to jet out the gully's along Marton Rd and across the road under the High St
- A resident has enquired about the removal of a tree on Green Lane at the rear of his property. Passed on to HW who are accessing the tree,
- The overhang trees/bushes on Stow road footpath – the owner has been approached and Highways will follow up if not removed in a couple of weeks

2021/293 **Planning**

Ref: 143476, Planning application to erect detached double garage. 7 High Street *Granted time Limit +conditions*

Ref: 143445, Listed Building Consent to repair and reinstate front boundary railings. 3 Stow Road. *Granted time limit +conditions*

Ref: 143446, Planning application to repair and reinstate front boundary railings. 3 Stow Road. *Granted time limit +conditions*

Ref: 142525, Listed building consent for replacement of 2no. windows, 2no. sashes and a cill. Also repairs to the veranda to include replacement of the pedestals. Willingham House High Street. *No observation/objections*

2021/294 Finance

The monthly accounts for payment were approved as a true & correct record **Resolved**

			Net	VAT
Bank transfer	15.10.21	PAYE	211.80	211.80
Bank transfer	15.10.21	Salary September	372.68	372.68
Bank Transfer	15.10.21	Grass Cutting September	110.00	110.00
Bank transfer	15.10.21	Scarecrow Prizes min 2021/265	30.00	30.00

Bank Transfer	05.11.21	Salary November	365.03	365.03
Bank Transfer	05.11.21	Crass Cutting October	110.00	140.00
Bank transfer	05.11.21	Printer ink	38.29	7.67 45.96
Chq 100977	04.11.21	Church Lights s137	75.00	75.00
Chq 100978	04.11.21	Winter Festival s137	60.00	60.00
Bank Transfer	05.11.21	LALC - councillor training course	22.50	4.50 27.00
		Total		1437.47

2021/295 Correspondence for Discussion

- a. The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Beacons Event - 2nd June 2022 (emailed prior) -not suitable for the village
- b. Keep Britain Tidy - Dark Nights = Dog Poo Increases (emailed prior) – not suitable for the village
- c. Town and parish council newsletter October 2021 – GRIT BINS (emailed prior) received – clerk to contact regarding possible grit bins Marton Rd near Howson House, Stow RD near bus stops & Grange Lane.

Correspondence for Information

- a. Public Rights of Way Grass Cutting (emailed prior)
- b. Town and parish council newsletter September 2021 (emailed prior)
- c. Welcome to Gallagher (emailed prior)
- d. Parish News - July 2021 (emailed prior)
- e. Saxilby Police - August Newsletter (emailed prior)
- f. NALC NEWSLETTER (emailed prior)
- g. WLDC Notice of Meetings: September - October 2021 (emailed prior)

2021/296 Agenda Items for next meeting and to take any points from members

- Cllr Leak asked whether the defibrillator has safety scissors & a razor after recently attending a First Aid course – clerk to check before next meeting

2021/297 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 was confirmed as Thursday 9th December 2021 at 8pm in Willingham Village Hall main room

Meeting ends 10.10pm