

MINUTES OF WRETTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT ALL SAINTS CHURCH WRETTON
7TH JANUARY 2019

Present: Cllr David Llewellyn – Chairman,
Cllr Mick Peake, Cllr Mandy Peake, Cllr Martyn Cann, Cllr Peter Garnett, Cllr Ian Mack, Cllr Paul Williams.

Also present: Borough Councillor Colin Sampson and 1 member of the public

Public Participation

It was asked whether the recent new development along Low Road might result in the speed limit being lowered along the road. Enquiries will be made with the Highway Department.

1. No Apologies for Absence received

2. No Declarations of Interest made

3. Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of the meetings held on 05.11.18 and 10.12.18 were confirmed as true records of the meetings.

4. Update on matters arising from previous meetings:

- Highways will be contacted again regarding outstanding matters and concern will be passed on that verges are being destroyed around the parish by HGV vehicles, including those delivering to new developments.
- A licence to install a dog waste bin along Field Lane has been received so the bin can now be installed.
- Cllr. Williams is still investigating possibilities for infilling the “pond” on Wretton Green. It was agreed that Cllr. Williams could spend up to £120 to kill the tree stumps left when felling took place in and around the “pond”.

5. Reports

5.1 Chairman's Report

The Chairman had nothing to report at this stage as matters are covered as agenda items. He did however report that he is investigating costs to improve the Wretton Parish Council website and thanks were expressed to former Councillor John Reeve for cleaning the village sign and play equipment.

5.2 Clerk's Report

The Clerk continues to pass correspondence to Councillors electronically. Recently this has included notification of seminars and training opportunities which Councillors are encouraged to attend should they wish.

5.3 Risk Assessment Update

The annual play equipment inspection report was presented and considered by Councillors.

It was agreed that the surface below the swing seats will be repaired and monitored. A quote will be requested regarding installing a safety surface under the swings.

Other points raised to be addressed:

1. Sign will be purchased stating "No dogs in the Play area".
2. Consideration will be given to placing wire netting on the gates to stop animals from entering the site
3. Trees around the site will be inspected.

6. Accounts were presented and accepted for payment.

Cheques for approval of payment

Clerk's salary (Nov. Dec.)	£118.44
K & M Lighting Services x2 (street light maintenance)	£35.04
SLCC subs contribution	£16.00
Wicksteed (play equipment inspection)	£54.00

Finance – @ 31ST December 2018:

Community Account	£4528.26
Business Premium Account	£3459.02

7. Grounds maintenance 2019

It was agreed to accept the quote received from Country Grounds Maintenance for the 2019 grounds maintenance. An initial contract for one year only will be requested.

8. 2019 Budget

Councillors were presented with a 2018/19 budget update indicating expenditure so far for the current financial year is much as anticipated and should remain within budget at the end of the financial year. The felling of the trees on the Green was not considered part of planned spend and reserve money has been used for this. With this in mind the 2019/20 budget was considered with no large increases anticipated for any budget heading.

9. 2019 Precept request

It was agreed to set the 2019 precept request at £4990. The predicted increase of the Wretton share of the 2019 Council tax for a Band D property is 4% when based on a tax base of 141.4.

10. Phone box and defibrillator

Cllr. Mack will continue to investigate the options for installing defibrillator in the village phone box. If the Parish Council needs to make any decisions to move this project along, before the scheduled date of the next Parish Council meeting, an extra meeting will be called.

11. Planning Applications:

No applications received for consultation.

12. Other Reports – for information only:

- It was noted the refuse collection vehicle is unable to traverse Cromer Lane due to the poor state of the edge of the road.

Chairman's Signature..... Date.....

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