

MINUTES OF WRETTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT ALL SAINTS CHURCH ON JANUARY 9TH 2023

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

Also present Borough Councillor Colin Sampson, County Councillor Martin Storey and members of the public.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

1. Apologies for Absence received

Cllr Mandy Peake

2. No declarations of Interest made

3. The minutes of the meeting held on 07.11.22 were agreed as a true record.

4. Reports

4.1 Chairman's Report

Low Road Speed Limit

The chairman advised that Norfolk County had asked for our objection to their proposal be withdrawn as further delays would occur if we did not accept the partial implementation of the revised speed limit. I was resolved that the suggested change would confuse drivers and that a site visit or video evidence be supplied to reinforce the case for extending the limit beyond Limehouse Drove.

4.2 Clerk's Report

A Written report submitted with the agenda pack:
Checking that the SAM2 sign was on order

Replacement of street lamp lanterns with LED:

Maintenance contractor has been instructed to proceed to replace the 6 street light lanterns with 20 watt LEDS at a cost of £70.00 each plus VAT and the other 3 would need new lamps at £220 each plus vat. Total £1080 plus vat - CIL money to be used.

4.3 Risk Assessment Update

5. Finance

Accounts were presented and accepted for payment.

Payments approved:

Clerks Salary	£118.44
Printing	£1.20
Society of Local Council subs	£65.00
Street lighting maint. (K & M) X2	£38.64
Grounds maintenance	£283.00

Bank Balances at 30.12.22

Current Account	£8575.88
Savings Account	£3472.36

CIL Report

The Parish Council current account holds CIL money of £2196 received 08.10.18 plus another £1441 received 28.10.19. Total £3637. The Parish Council is looking to spend some of the CIL money on the replacement of the streetlamp lanterns, or possibly some will be used to help fund the new SAM 2 sign. Noted that the £2196 must be spent by 08.10.23.

5.1 Budget and Precept request 2023

After a long debate and recognising that we would incur additional expense following the pending resignation of the clerk, it was resolved to set the precept request at £6573

6. Planning

Proposed Detached Dwelling and Garage at Land SW of The Coach House Low Road Wretton Norfolk 22/02253/F

The Parish Council strongly objected to this proposal as follows:

Wretton is classed as a small village and as such development should be limited to local needs. The site is long standing agricultural land and this development would change the character of this rural village and remove a valuable natural resource. Building should not be on agricultural land which can never be replaced. There are

already concerns that the local infrastructure is being overloaded by new housing. We also have concerns regarding local flooding due to increased housing. This proposed development also has an environmental impact due to increased traffic movements. Furthermore, we have concerns that this could lead to further loss of agricultural land

7. Village projects

Play area

Preliminary ideas received and discussed.

To apply for grant funding it is likely a longer time on the leases for the play area land will need to be negotiated. Initial contact has been made with the Diocese regarding this and as a follow up a request has been submitted for the lease to be extended for another 25 years..

8. Other Reports – for information only:

It was requested that the latest statistics covering Wretton's population were obtained to aid future planning of resources.

It was suggested that First Aid training be offered to interested residents .

Date of next meeting

6th March at 7:30 PM