

WHISSONSETT PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON 25TH MAY 2017 AT 8.00 P.M. IN
WHISSONSETT VILLAGE HALL

Present: Cllr B Andrews, Cllr G Buckley, Cllr S Dye, Cllr J Newton and Cllr J Daniels

Others Present: 3 electors and County Cllr M Kiddle-Morris

1. To elect a Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Parish Council for the forthcoming year

Cllr Andrews proposed Cllr Dye for the position of Chairman of the Parish Council, seconded by Cllr Daniels. There were no other nominations so the proposal was carried. Cllr Dye accepted the position and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office form.

Cllr Dye proposed Cllr Andrews for the position of Vice Chairman of the Parish Council, seconded by Cllr Buckley. There were no other nominations so the proposal was carried. Cllr Andrews accepted the position.

2 Welcome and to accept apologies for absence

The Chairman welcomed those present to the meeting. There were apologies for absence from Dist. Cllr T Carter.

3. To receive any Declarations of Interest

There were no Interests declared.

4. To confirm and accept Minutes of 9th March meeting

Cllr Daniels proposed the minutes, which had been circulated, be accepted as a true and accurate record, Cllr Buckley seconded the proposal, carried by the Council.

5. To report on any matters arising from the minutes of March (not on agenda)

There were no matters arising.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting for the Public Participation period

Cllr Kiddle-Morris reported that when the election was called in April there can be no more meetings until mid June. There are no UKIP representatives on the Council anymore. There is a new committee now and it is called Business and Property. Since April there have been no meetings of the Council. Cllr Kiddle-Morris is the Vice Chairman of the Communities Committee.

The Chairman adjourned the Public Participation period and resumed the Parish Council meeting.

6. To discuss Correspondence

The following mail had been received:-

A copy of the Clerks & Councils Magazine

A letter from the Village Hall Committee asking for a donation of £370.00/. Cllr Buckley proposed this payment be made, seconded by Cllr Daniels and carried.

7. To discuss the safety flooring around the play equipment

This item will be put on the July agenda, as the RoSPA inspection will be done in June.

8. To discuss any Planning issues

Breckland 3PL/2017/0296/VAR land off New Road, Bunting & Son Ltd., variation of condition 2 on 3PL/1991/0796/F application has been approved

3PL/2016/1189/O Mr I Smith, The Old Pitt, London St., 4 two storey detached dwellings, refusal of outline planning permission

3PL/2017/0352/O Mr I Smith, The Old Pitt, a pair of 2 storey traditional cottages addressing the street with a single storey dwelling placed in the northwest corner of the plot significantly reduced visual impact on the setting of the church as advised by Historic England

9. To discuss the outcome of the Local Plan Consultation

The final version will be adopted in the next 12 months.

10. To discuss any Highways issues

Paul Sellick is the new Highways contact for reporting problems. Cllr Andrews had hit a pot hole down Raynham Road and damaged his car. An accident had also occurred to Mr Mike Bly's car, costing him nearly £400.00 to get it repaired. He tried to obtain some compensation but it was refused. The cause of the accident was a pot hole and it was huge, so the situation is ongoing.

11. To authorize financial transactions

The Parish Council authorized the following necessary financial transactions:-

Clerk's net salary for April & May	£209.25	HMRC tax for April & May	£52.20
Justin Bamforth (website)	£111.00	Excel Programme	£125.00
Zurich Insurance	£497.41	Whissonsett Village Hall	£370.00
Sally Dye (litter pick refreshments)	£36.67	Norfolk Parish Training & Support	£130.00

12. To adopt end of year accounts, Annual Return & Annual Governance Statement

Cllr Dye proposed these documents be adopted, seconded by Cllr Andrews and carried.

13. To discuss the recent hedge cutting problem on the playing field

Cllr Daniels visited the resident who had cut the hedge and he has promised not to cut it anymore. It will be looked at when the village walk-about takes place.

The Clerk was asked to write a letter to Mary Porter and Keith Durrant regarding the need for them to cut their hedges.

14. To receive items for the next Agenda

New Car Parking Contract

To discuss the safety flooring around the play equipment

15. To set a date for the Village Walk-About

The Village Walk-About will take place on Wednesday June 7th and those involved will meet at 7.15 p.m. at the Village Hall.

16. To confirm date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday July 13th at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall. The following meeting will be held on Wednesday September 6th at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting finished at 9.40 p.m.

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Chairman

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Date