#### **Wistanstow Parish Council**

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# The Minutes of the Zoom Virtual Meeting of Wistanstow Parish Council held on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2021 commencing at 7.00pm

#### **Present:**

Mr M Flanagan, Mrs J Woodroffe MBE, Mr P Powell, Mr J Morris, Mr M White, Mrs Andrea Minton Beddoes, Mr A Carney, Mr P Jones Mr C E Williams (Clerk)

# 1. Apologies:

Mr D Bytheway

# 2. Items from members of the Public

No members of the public attended the meeting.

#### 3. Declarations of Interest

Nil.

## 4. Minutes

The Parish Council approved the minutes of the meeting held on the 11th November 2020 and were approved.

## 5. Matters arising from the Minutes:

No Items

### 6. Chairman's Communications

No items to report.

## 7. Planning Items:

No Planning Applications received by the Parish Council.

Concern was expressed at the developments being undertaken at the Travellers Rest, Affcott – The Clerk reported that the matter was being investigated by Shropshire Councillor Mr D Evans.

# 8. Highway/Amenity/Footpath Items:

- a) It was agreed by the Parish Council to have the ivy removed from the fir trees in the closed churchyard.
- b) Although it was reported at the last meeting that some resurface work had been undertaken on the roadway running through Cheney Longville which had provided some improvement to the road surface the potholes had now resurfaced, and the roadway had become dangerous. The Clerk would refer the matter to the Highways Department.
- c) Mr M White referred to the work that had been undertaken by Shropshire Council at Bushmoor to improve the issue of surface water and pollution along the highway although it is understood that the installation of new gulley's would not take place until the next financial year. Mr White also reported on the repairs and replacement of styles on the footpath between Bushmoor and Felhampton although the landowner would not allow the replacement of a style with a dog style.
- d) Mr M White referred to the Climate Action Plan and the offer of a presentation by Alan Wilson from the Shropshire Association of Local Councils, it was suggested that this could be an item for the South Shropshire Association of Parish and Town Councils meeting to which the Parish Council could sent representatives.

#### 9. Financial Items:

- a) The Parish Council considered a grant application from Hope House Children's Hospice and agreed a donation of £250.
- b) The Clerk reported that the Parish Council had now the facility to make payment through the Barclays online banking system this having previously agreed by the Parish Council.

The following payments were approved for payment:

PK Littlejohn - Annual Audit Fee - £240 Wistanstow PCC - Winding of Village Clock - £300

c) The Clerk had produced a summary of the estimated Income and Expenditure for the financial year 2021/22 to enable the determination of the Parish Council Precept. It is estimated the Parish Council will have balances of £26,500 at the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021. After considering the report the Parish Council agreed that the Precept for the financial year 2021/22 should be £12,431 which represents a 0% increase in the Parish Council Tax Rate.

# 10. Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2021 commencing 7.00pm this will be the Annual Public Meeting of the Parish Council with the four yearly elections to be held in May 2021.