Wistanstow Parish Council

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The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Wistanstow Village Hall on Wednesday 29th November 2023 commencing at 7.00pm

Present:

Mr M Flanagan, Mrs J Woodroffe MBE, Mr J Morris, Mr P Alderson, Mrs Andrea Minton Beddoes, Mrs N Kershaw, Mr P Powell, Mr A Carney.

Mr C E Williams (Clerk)

Apologies:

Mr M White, Shropshire Councillor D Evans

1. Declarations of Interest:

No declarations of interest

2. Co-option of Parish Councillor:

The Parish Council agreed to co-opt Mrs N Kershaw, Hawkhurst Farm, Horderley as a parish councillor who the signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

3. Minutes

The Parish Council approved the minutes of the meeting held on the 27th September 2023 and were signed by the Chair.

4. Matters arising from the Minutes:

No matters arising from the minutes.

5. Chairman's Communications

The Clerk reported that the Telephone kiosk in Wistanstow is not currently subject to closure however if the Parish Council wish to adopt the phone box application should be made to British Telecom, however this will result in the telephone equipment being taken out. The danger is that if the Parish Council do not register its intention to adopt the phone box British Telecom could possibly close and remove without consultation due to changes in legislation.

The Parish Council would consider this item at the next meeting.

6. Planning Items:

No planning item to consider.

Concern was expressed at the condition of the Travellers Rest at Affcott Wistanstow which is subject to a Planning Enforcement Order the Clerk would obtain an update from Shropshire Councillor David Evans.

7. Highway/Amenity/Footpath Items:

- a) Concerns were again raised about the parking of vehicles in the village and perhaps consideration should begiven to double yellow lines within the parish, this however would need to be consulted on within the village and with Shropshire Council Highways.
- b) Defibrillators The Clerk reported that the defibrillator had been ordered for Stretford and that installation was still awaited. Mrs J Woodroffe reported that through fund raising events the Village Hall will be providing a defibrillator to be installed to the outside of the building.
- c) The Clerk requested that items such as potholes, blocked ditches/drains and other highway issues should be reported on the website Fix My Street Shropshire.

8. Financial Items:

The Parish Council had balance of £28,175.89 following payment of the following accounts.

MedUk – Defibrillator – Stretford - £1788

Hugo Foxe -subscription to website facilities - £244.68

Npower – Streetlighting - £75.90

V Davies – Closed Churchyard - £810

Wistanstow PCC – Winding of Village Clock - £350

Wistanstow Village Hall – Play Area - £1122.13

9. Other Items:

No other items

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10. Next Meeting: Revised date Wednesday 17th January 2023