

Wolverton Parish Council
Minutes of meeting on 9 March 2016 at 7.30pm
Venue: Wolverton Church Hall

1. Present: Cllrs Payne, (chair), Stone, Easterbrook and Tunbridge; clerk; Mr Anthony; CC Horner for part of the meeting. Apologies from Cllr Rowley, DC Richards and Mr Anthony.
2. Disclosure of interests – none.
3. Minutes. The meeting approved the minutes from 6th January 2016, which Cllr Payne signed.
4. Matters arising
 - a) WPC website and email addresses. Cllr Tunbridge outlined a better service provider for the website, although he is waiting to hear back from Kingsclere PC as to their experience. On the basis that WPC could retain the domain name and not be liable to a penalty for moving from 1&1, the meeting agreed to a change of provider.
 - b) Councillor training - WALC induction, planning, code of conduct and being a good councillor training sessions agreed for Cllr Easterbrook – *councillor to confirm costs with clerk.*
 - c) Lengthsman scheme – may not be advantageous to WPC. *Cllr Easterbrook to discuss with Mr Blanchard.*
 - d) Clean for the Queen - no further information
 - e) Bench at crossroads – *Cllr Payne to obtain quote for repair*
5. Parish Plan Action Group Report - circulated previously by Mr Anthony. 27 tasks completed, 10 partly completed and 12 ongoing. *The meeting agreed that, in view of the progress made, the May Annual Meeting would be a good point at which to 'sign off' the Action Plan, with ongoing tasks being allocated to named individuals and monitored via WPC.* Mr Wilton has taken over the Speed Watch from Mr Miller. The meeting acknowledged Mr Miller and colleagues' hard work here. Mr Wilton is also investigating the pros and cons of conservation area status; and possibility of having the front garden of the new vicarage and church rooms designated as

community assets, for the consideration of parishioners. Mr Anthony to remain Broadband Champion, with help from Mr Barnes.

6. Finance

- Current position = £4,274.08
- Clerk to pass receipts for defibrillator installation and printing to Cllr Stone for VAT reclamation
- Notice board – £1,804 cost to be formally proposed at the May meeting
- Cllr Payne confirmed £200 had been received from Ocado in recompense for damage to the village green, based on a quote to this effect from Mr Sagrott. Remedial work to be postponed until the current work on the Court is completed
- £4.50 proposed by Cllr Tunbridge, seconded by Cllr Easterbrook to refund Ms Sylvester for defibrillator battery costs
- Audit procedures – councillors agreed not to opt out of smaller authorities audit appointment from 2017-18 onwards.
- Donation to church yard – not budgeted for 2016-17. *Cllr Stone to ascertain how any donation would be used*
- Model financial regulations – *Cllr Stone to advise on those suggestions applicable to the small scale of WPC's budget*
- Asset register – *to be finalised.*

7. Clerking arrangements. *Clerk to advertise vacancy.*

8. Report from CC Horner. Circulated previously and placed in the Parish Magazine.

9. Report from DC Richards. None this time

10. Planning applications

- a. 15/04199/VARY Woolly Park Farm – Seven year extension agreed, rather than the three years WPC had sought.
- b. 15/04021/LBC Primrose Cottage – roof lights, agreed with conditions.
- c. 16/00521/FUL/Lower Blacon Farm – Cllr Stone went through the application. The meeting agreed no representation would be made.

11. Correspondance

- Beacon for Queen's birthday – nothing planned
- WALC newsletter - noted

12. Future meetings in 2016 – *note changes to May and July meetings:*

- 25th May – Annual Parish Meeting & AGM
- 27th July
- 14th September
- 16th November