

Wolverton Parish Council
Minutes of Meeting on Thurs 5 February at 7.30pm
Venue: Wolverton Church Hall

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ALL WELCOME

1. **Apologies** – Cllrs Rowley & Tunbridge. CCllr Horner to attend if a county council budget meeting allows.
2. **Disclosure of interests** – none
3. **Minutes.** The minutes from 11 November 2014 were agreed as an accurate record and signed by Cllr Stone. The summary of the extraordinary meeting of 2 December 2014 was agreed and signed by Cllr Payne
4. **Matters arising**
 - a. WPC website and email addresses - deferred to 30 March meeting – Cllr Tunbridge
 - b. Broadband – *Clerk to re-send response from CWS.* Cllr Stone provided the meeting with information on community broadband initiatives and possible options for consideration by the Action Group were discussed.
 - c. Action Group terms of reference - agreed by Councillors, pending Mr Anthony's feedback, as chair of the group.
 - d. Parish Plan summary – now completed and posted on website. *Cllr Stone to obtain a second quote for publishing 100 copies, the first having come in at circa £250 plus VAT*
5. **Report from County Cllr Horner** - circulated previously - a planned 2% increase in Council Tax was expected to go ahead and that programmes to deliver £92 million in savings were on track.
6. **Report from District Cllr Richards**
 - a) Update on Core Strategy. SDC is awaiting comment from the inspector, (March 2015), which will include comment on the content and process. The meeting had a lengthy discussion of the Strategy and its implications locally.
 - b) Council tax – frozen from SDC although an increase in the police precept will result in tax rise.
 - c) Cllr Richards provided his contact details.
7. **Planning applications**
 - a. 14/01578/FUL Oak Trees - permitted
 - b. 14/02355/COUMB Grange Farm – refused
 - c. 14/02816/OUT land adjacent Grange Cottages – refused
 - d. 14/03145/FUL The Old Byre - permitted

- e. 14/03305/FUL Heiskier – extension – agreed 308
- f. 14/03534/COUMB Grange Farm – change of use agricultural barn to dwelling.
- g. 15/00140/OUT Land along Wolverton Rd. – outline application for a detached single storey dwelling. (Notification received after Agenda published). Mr and Mrs Silvester attended the meeting to raise their concerns about the application for the development of this land adjacent to Court Cottages. A lengthy discussed ensued of material planning considerations in particular impact on openness of the Green Belt and concerns for highway safety. *Cllr Stone to draft a response in opposition on behalf of WPC, having incorporated the views of Cllrs Rowley and Tunbridge.* At this point Cllr Barnes enquired about progress with the Wooly Park Farm bungalow. Cllr Stone reported that footings had been completed sometime ago and undertook to check whether there were any relevant conditions in the appeal decision.
- h. 14/02034/FUL Proposed Solar PV Farm – Claverdon Parish . Cllr. Woodward (Langley PC) attended the meeting to discuss the application on land adjoining this parish and following information that the clerk had previously circulated. His concerns included its location in the Green Belt and adjoining a site of special scientific interest; dangerous site access; and doubt that it would benefit the local community. He reported that Langley and Claverdon PCs are objecting. Cllr Stone noted that the development would not directly affect Wolverton residents except in having an adverse visual impact on users of the footpath SD162a and the general consideration on the character of the landscape and openness of the Green Belt. *Cllr Stone to email WPC's objections on 6 February.*

8. Election

The timetable for the 2015 Parish Council election was discussed. Cllr Stone confirmed that WPC has sufficient funds to cover the election, even if contested. *Clerk to obtain nomination forms, which are also available from Elizabeth House.*

9. Finance

- a. Current position £3654.51
- b. Asset register – to be finalised (costs of notice boards and seats need adding).
- c. Invoice for hire of hall 6 meetings @ £6 - £36 proposed by Cllr Stone, seconded by Cllr Payne.
- d. 2014-15 Clerk's expenses £60 - proposed by Cllr Payne, seconded by Cllr Stone.
- e. 2014 15 Grant to Norton Lindsey playground £125 - proposed by Cllr Stone, seconded by Cllr Payne.
- f. CPRE subscription for 2014-5 £36 - proposed by Cllr Payne seconded by Cllr Stone.

- g.** Reimbursement of website costs to clerk - £41.93 - proposed by Cllr Stone, seconded by Cllr Payne.
- h.** To approve costs of £250 for printing of parish plan summary - proposed by Cllr Stone, seconded by Cllr Payne.
- i.** Information Commission registration 2015-16, £35 - proposed by Cllr Stone, seconded by Cllr Payne
- j.** Transparency code – noted

10. Correspondence - Dealing with the media– noted

11. Future meetings

30 March 2015 WPC meeting and Annual Parish Meeting

18 May 2015 WPC AGM. 6.30pm.

Post meeting note - Annual Parish Meeting deferred to 7.30pm 18 May.