

Wolverton Parish Council
Minutes of meeting on 23rd September 2015 at 7.30pm
Venue: Wolverton Church Hall

1. **Present** Cllrs Stone, Rowley, Tunbridge and Payne; clerk; CC Horner for part of the meeting. Apologies received from DC Richards; and Mr Anthony, who had previously provided a comprehensive update report.
2. **Disclosure of interests** – none.
3. **Minutes.** The meeting approved the minutes from 8 July 2015, which were signed by Cllr Stone.
4. **Matters arising**
 - a. **WPC website and email addresses** – *Clerk to resolve issues with 1&1 with access to the website. Cllr Tunbridge to check out other suppliers.*
 - b. **Councillor vacancy.** No formal response to adverts, although Cllr Stone will follow up some possibilities. *Clerk to ascertain residence requirements – is a short term rental sufficient?*
 - c. **Wooly Park Farm** Cllr Stone reported that there had been no feedback as yet from the Enforcement Officer.
5. **Review of Standing Orders** – approved unchanged.
6. **Action Group Report** The meeting welcomed the progress report from Mr Anthony. In response to his queries:
 - Current arrangements for maintaining pathways etc – none specific to WPC except the grass cutting, for which a contract is in place in respect of the Green, the crossroads and Norton Lea. *Cllr Stone will discuss with Mr Easterbrook, including the path up to the school*
 - No volunteers have come forward regarding the footpaths or flood monitoring in the vicinity of Oak Trees
 - *Cllr Stone will follow up the flora and fauna group with Ted Read*
 - Dog waste bins – *clerk to check with Dave Mann if the council garbage truck comes up the track behind the farm and, if so, his view on the possible location of a waste bin*

In addition, the meeting discussed the replacement of the notice board/s. Cllr Payne informed the meeting of various options and prices, the best

being a quote for £1412, excluding installation, for two boards from a local carpenter. This will require a grant application as it is beyond WPC resources – *Cllr Payne to make an application to the County Councillor's grant scheme.*

7. Report from CC Horner. CC Horner outlined current discussions with midland authorities about combined authority status. He provided information about grants and about the Warwickshire Rural Growth Network. He discussed on school safety issues of speeding; and parking, especially difficult in rural areas due to lack of pavements. Options for improving safety locally were discussed. *Cllr Stone will write to Cllr Horner about parking on the road opposite the school. Cllr Horner agreed to look into the 30mph sign being repaired and the road signs at Norton Lea being collected.*

8. Report from DC Richards – to follow.

9. Planning applications

- a. 15/00140/OUT - representation made as agreed
- b. 15/00534/LBC - noted
- c. 15/01891/FUL **Sunnyside** – withdrawal noted
- d. 15/02308/FUL **Westway** - approved
- e. 15/02561/FUL **Waverley** – no objection raised
- f. **Hare Meadow** –in Claverdon, refused
- g. **Solar Farm appeal** – WPC not notified but councillors have no new information or comment to add.

10. Finance

- a. Feedback from Grant Thornton audit – no issues raised. The meeting thanked Mr Broad for his assistance again this year as internal auditor
- b. Current balance = £2207.19, as of 24th August 2015
- c. £81 approved for defibrillator insurance
- d. £115 – grass cutting - approved
- e. *Cllr Stone to register WPC for VAT to reclaim the VAT on the defibrillator installation costs*
- f. Asset register – to be finalised.

11. Correspondance

- Lengthman scheme – regarding drain and gulley clearance, verges etc, may be applicable to the Action Plan. *Cllr Payne to register interest*
- WALC's Social Media Policy - noted
- VASA newsletter - noted
- Councillor's Grant Fund – as previously, application to be made to finance notice boards
- Core Strategy consultation - noted

- WALC AGM – *Cllr Stone to attend, if possible.*

12. Future meetings

25th November 2015

6th January 2016

9th March 2016