

Wolverton Parish Council
Minutes of meeting on 8 July 2015 at 7.30pm
Venue: Wolverton Church Hall

1. **Present** Cllrs Stone and Payne; clerk; CC Horner and DC Richards for parts of the meeting. Apologies received from Cllr Rowley and Mr Anthony, and from Cllr Tunbridge after the meeting. The meeting was not quorate, therefore no decisions could be made.
2. **Disclosure of interests** – none.
3. **Minutes.** The meeting approved the minutes from 18 May 2015, which were signed by Cllr Stone.
4. **Matters arising**
 - a. **WPC website and email addresses** – No progress. *Cllr Payne to change clerk's email address on website, pending use of the WPC email address. In the absence of Cllr Tunbridge, matter referred to next meeting.*
 - b. **Councillor vacancy.** *Clerk to place advert on notice board and Cllr Stone to make enquiries to ascertain any potential interest.*
 - c. **Wooly Park Farm** Cllr Stone reported on the history of the application, confirming that he had contacted SDC and that planning enforcement was looking into the matter.
5. **Review of Standing Orders** – deferred to next meeting. See minutes of September 2012, item 8.
6. **Action Group Report** The meeting noted the report from Mr Anthony and welcomed the excellent progress made in implementing the Action Plan. A subgroup is now established to look into the pros and cons of conservation area status although, should parishioners wish to go down this route, advice from SDC is that it is not a political priority. *Cllr Horner will find out the officer responsible for conservation area issues, Cllr Stone will look at the work previously undertaken on it.* Cllr Stone queried if the greenbelt network was still operating, CC Horner suggested not.
7. **Annual Parish Meeting – progress report.** Marking event with Lucy Lambert did not take place at the fete. *Cllr Payne to progress an alternative arrangement and place list of such events on the website.* Mr Miller has progressed the speed aware initiative, with volunteers in place and vetted by the police but awaiting training. Cllr Horner confirmed he had access to the speed gun in Claverdon. *Clerk to place police contact numbers on notice*

boards, Cllr Payne on the website. Clerk to check if WPC still comes under the Arden Forum.

- 8. Report from CC Horner.** *Clerk to re-circulate June report.* CC Horner outlined various trading standards initiatives, including tackling selling of counterfeit goods and an education programme to improve cyber security. He informed the meeting that discussion about combined authority status was ongoing. He also advised of the brief for portfolio holder for community safety, which includes youth justice, safer routes to school and fire and rescue. A pilot to improve road safety outside schools is taking place in Leamington, with 20mph speed limits. The final outcome is awaited but the results are mixed thus far. *Cllr Horner agreed to follow up the broken 30mph sign in Wolverton, raised by Cllr Payne.* Cllr Horner also confirmed that the forms for County Councillor grant funding were now available and that bids needed to set out how the project /expenditure would be used to improve community cohesion. Realistically, grants are likely to be in the region of £1,000 – a new notice board may be looked on favourably.

- 9. Report from DC Richards** He updated the meeting on the Core Strategy; reminded all of Stratford Leisure Centre's refurbished pool re-opening; advised of a review of car parking in the town, including modernising payment facilities and informed that the district has won an award for CCTV cameras, of which there are 91. He informed the meeting that the Housing First model had been adopted by SDC to deal with local street homelessness.

10. Planning applications

- a. 15/01891/FUL Sunnyside** – consultation between councillors prior to the meeting had led to an objection being raised.

11. Finance

- a.** Invoice for election not yet received, in the region of £100 expected.
- b.** Current balance £1610.09
- c.** Defibrillator – £505 received in donations so far. Cllr Stone checking if this should be itemised on the WPC insurance, meantime he will check if it could be included on the Church Hall insurance. £12.90 agreed for the signage. Consideration to be given to obtaining a light / torch.
- d.** Asset register – to be finalised.

12. Future meetings

23rd September

25th November