

WENTWORTH PARISH COUNCIL



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NOTICE OF MEETING: Parish Council Meeting
TIME: 7pm
DATE: 16th February 2022
VENUE: Village Hall

If you wish to raise any points within Public Participation, we ask that these are sent to the Parish Clerk 48 hours prior to the meeting.

The Parish Council wish to advise that all attendees are required to adhere to Councils social distancing measures, including hand washing and sanitising, social distancing of at least 1m and 2m if possible, and masks wearing if indoors, please respect everyone's space and preference.

All members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend for the purposes of considering and resolving the business to be transacted at the meeting as set out below.

MEMBERS	4
VACANCIES	1
QUORUM	3

MINUTES

160222/1 TO RECORD APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence, all Councillors were in attendance.

160222/2 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made at the meeting.

160222/3 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were three members of the public in attendance.

A member of the public advised the Street Light on Church Farm Close had a broken globe and was on constantly, Clerk to report to maintenance contractor.

DE also advised that the Street Light outside the cottage also remained on all the time.

They also advised the pathway from Church Farm Close required sweeping, Clerk to report on this occasion. Members of the community are urged to use the County Council reporting tool to report such matters in future to prompt accuracy and so that matters are not left between meeting [Report a highways fault - Cambridgeshire County Council](#)

A member of the public asked if there was a dedicated amount of funding required for the desired equipment outlined in the recent community survey. The Chairman confirmed the Council are happy to develop the play area as the village desirers but would be concentrating on the Zip Wire before taking on any further projects. It was agreed the Clerk would obtain quotations for a swing set and benches and provide the costing to Wentworth Fundraisers so they can raise the relevant amounts.

A member of the public thanked the Clerk for resolving the post box issue.

160222/4 TO SIGN AND APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETINGS OF:

DL proposed, CJ seconded that the minutes of 15th December 2021 were a true and accurate record of the meeting. Motion carried.

160222/5 TO RECEIVE DISTRICT AND/OR COUNTY COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

To note these have been forwarded to Parish Councillors and uploaded to the village website

**160222/6 PLANNING
TO CONSIDER:**

21/01479/VAR Pony Lodge Grunty Fen Road, Witchford

Variation of Condition 3 of previously approved 05/00500/FUL for the stationing of a mobile home. –
No objection to the application

TO UPDATE: None

160222/7 MATTERS ARISING:

- a) To discuss Zip Wire update and quotation confirmation
It was confirmed that the quotation for the zip wire repair had now increased to £2667.44 plus. The Council has £2185 (made up of budget spend £967 from 2021-22 and 2022-23, funds from Wentworth Fund raising Group of £718 and verbal donation of £500) towards the repair, meaning there is a current shortfall of £482.44. It was agreed to Council would now respond to the Townlands Charity and confirm the amount of funding needed.
- b) Request from Wentworth Fundraisers to use the Play Area for an event
The Council discussed the request, and it was agreed to grant the use of the Play Area for the event if the necessary documentation was sent to the Clerk in advance of the event (insurance for the event and Risk Assessment). DE asked if a qualified First Aider had been sourced for the event and PB of Wentworth Fundraisers advised this was now not required as per their insurer.
- c) Councillor Vacancy
It was discussed the Council still has 1 vacant post. The Clerk confirmed the post can be co-opted at any stage and encouraged people to get in contact.
- d) To discuss Defibrillator purchase
DS a member of the books and Boxes Committee updated the Council that a donation was expected from Agreserves as a contribution to the scheme.
The Clerk had circulated rental and purchase out right recommendations to the Council prior to the meeting to enable the Council to analyse the financial implications.
DL proposed, DE seconded a proposal to buy the Defibrillator out right at a cost of £1341.00 (made up of £585.90 donation raised by the Books and Boxes Committee and the Parish Council contributing £755.10) from London Hearts. The Clerk advised there is 10-12-week back order on the machine.
The Clerk updated that the Phone box adoption was progressing well, and no objection has been raised to East Cambs District Council Planning Department and we now just await hand over from BT.

160222/8 FINANCE

- a) To approve bank Reconciliation up to 31st January 2022 – circulated before meeting.
- b) PAYMENTS:

HMRC, Expenses and Salary	£376.32 BACS
NPower – Street Light Energy	£92.10 BACS
St Peters Village Hall Committee – Donation	£150.00 BACS
Ionos – outstanding website fees	£101.99 BACS
Redshoes Accounting – payroll services	£86.40 BACS
- c) DIRECT DEBITS PAID: None
- d) Income: None

Sanctuary housing – Defib Contribution	£250.00 BACS
C Bass Electrical – Defib Contribution	£50.00 BACS

160222/9 DIARY DATES – Next meeting of the Council will be at 7pm on 20th April 2022

Meeting closed at 19.16

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Karen Peck
Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer
Wentworth Parish Council
20th April 2022

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Chairman
Wentworth Parish Council

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