

**Minute 141****MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WHILTON PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2009 AT 7.30PM**

The following councillors attended:

Mr Ken Bowers, Mr Michael Thomas. Mr Mike Lewis (chairman), Miss Nora Swinford, Mr Jonathan Hanslip, Mrs Sue Wingrave.

2 parishioners, County Councillor Steve Osborne and District Councillor Wendy Amos attended.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

There were no matters raised for discussion.

**1. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE****Action**

No apologies were received.

**2 MEMBERS' DECLARATION OF INTEREST FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

No declarations were made.

**3. RESOLUTION TO SIGN AND APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETING DATED 7 SEPTEMBER 2009**

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of 7 September 2009.

**4. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Internal audit – it was agreed to leave volunteers insurance as it currently stands and to increase the fidelity insurance, the other procedures are still being looked at.

ML/MT

Village Green – Nothing has been heard to date. The Clerk is to follow this up.

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Footpath – this appears to be feasible using the grass verges.

JH/Maurice

Parish Enhancement Gang – no further information has been received.

Clements

Traffic – it was decided at this stage not to proceed with the traffic survey.

**5. LIAISON WITH POLICE**

There was no update available for the meeting.

Information received:

Doorstep Crime Action Network

Updates

The Community Safety Partnership Launch – 7 Nov 2009 (put on noticeboard)

## 6. LIAISON WITH DDC

### Report of District Councillor Wendy Amos

- Councillor Amos reported that the Daventry planning appeals results will not be announced until April 2010.
- The 5 year review of the WNDC is to be held soon.
- To save money DDC is looking at joint working with other authorities.
- There is to be a change of refuse/recycling collection days.
- There is a One Stop Shop at both Daventry and Brixworth for all information.
- Doggy bags were given out (for dog poop).
- Fly tipping has been a problem.

#### Information received:

Letter re BT payphones – *the box will stay*

Minutes of Parish & Town Councils' Meeting – 17 June 2009 (*next meeting 15 December 2009*)

DDC Yearbook 2009/10

Consultation Document – *Northamptonshire Statement of Principles Gambling Act 2005* (comments to Northamptonshire Licensing Partnership by 9 Nov 2009)

DDC Councillor contact details

Daventry District Play Forum – New Street Recreation Ground questionnaire

Adult Learning Service Community Development (setting up new courses)

## 7. LIAISON WITH NCC

### Report of County Councillor Steve Osborne

Councillor Osborne reported that there had been a public protest concerning the quantity of housing on the SE and SW part of Northampton. Most of the County Councillors supported the views of the objectors.

#### Information received:

Electric Blanket Testing (put on noticeboard)

Paper- *Consultation on self-directed support and personal budgets in Northamptonshire* (a new model for adult social care from January 2010)

Consultation on the proposal by NCC to operate a highway scheme in accordance with the traffic management permit scheme (England) regulations 2007 on its highway network

Questionnaire on the above (to be submitted by 31 December 2009)

Agenda for NCC meeting 1 Oct 2009

## 8. GRASS CUTTING

Discussion concerning the purchase of new mowers took place. Both the Flymo and the petrol mower need replacing. Roy Haynes may not be able to continue to carry out the grass cutting in the future.

Paul Day has offered to cut the grass, we should find out his terms. Roy is to be consulted on the suitability of possible replacements. 2 quotes are needed for both a 20" petrol mower and the Flymo.

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## 9. CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING COLLECTIONS IN JANUARY 2010

Site(s) to be e-mailed by 5 December 2009

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## 10. PARISH WALK FINDINGS

- Seats, signposts and notice board need preservative treatment – It was agreed that 2 cans of wood preservative could be purchased ML
- Drains need emptying
- Edges of road needs repairing (Brington Lane)
- Allotment stop tap in verge needs a new cover AN
- Possible provision of compost bins at allotments/contract shredding
- Seat needs painting
- Letter to allotment holders re keeping their plots tidy - letters to be written to allotment holders AN
- Wall and fence at South View
- Salt boxes – replacement boxes needed and also filling SW
- Loose cover on telegraph pole (Opposite Hill Top Farm) AN
- Sign on A5 needs repositioning
- Ian Smith and Steve Osborne will be attending the working party on 10 November at 2pm

## 11. FINANCE

**Financial statement**

Current account: £3341.13 per statement no.376 at 30/9/09  
£3029.13 after uncleared cheques

Reserve Account: £5641.90 per statement no.74 at 30/6/09 (awaiting statement to 30/9/09)

Resolution to confirm and approve income and expenditure

**Income:**

Second half of Precept: £2,875.00 (included in the above current account)

**It was resolved to approve the following expenditure:**

Cheque No.				VAT to reclaim
727	Orchard Print Services Ltd	Newsletter printing	£46.80	
728	NCALC	Role of the Clerk Course	£75.00	
729	E.ON	1 July – 30 Sept 09 Electricity charges	£126.86	£6.04
730	EON	Street Light Maintenance	£48.33	£6.30

Cheque 723 made payable to BDO Stoy Hayward LLP has not been presented and they have not received it. If it has not been received in the next few weeks (allowing for disruption due to the post strike) it is to be cancelled and it was agreed that another cheque could be issued.

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**Bank authorisation – signatories**

It was agreed that Anthea Hiscock and Greg Lye would be removed from the mandate and Sue Wingrave and the Clerk (Alison Nicoll) would be added to the mandate.

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**11. PLANNING**

Early notification of planning applications will be received by the Clerk by e-mail.

- Grant of permission: Home Farm Grounds, Brington Lane (DA/2009/0515 – A copy of the case officers report is to be requested.
- Recommendation for refusal: Replacement dwelling (amended) Roughmoor Grounds, Brington Lane (DA/2009/0625)

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West Northants Joint Planning Unit

Information received:

Pre consultation notification: WNDC Sustainability Manual

Daventry Area Parish Council Meeting MNDC Minutes – 11 August 2009

Section 106 Overview Report – Monksfield Appeal Site , Danetre Appeal Site & Church Fields Appeal Site

**12. NORTHANTS NCALC**

*Update* – September-October 2009 (also available via e-mail)

2009/10 Salary Scales for Clerks

**13. REPORT RE NEW CLERK'S TRAINING DAY**

- Agenda and minutes –numbering – the Clerk reported that from the training day the minutes should be numbered differently to that being done at present. It was agreed that the Clerk could decide what would work best.
- power (Statutory powers) and action – it was agreed that an 'action' column would placed on the minutes.
- Joining Local Society of Council Clerks – further information is being sought.

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**14. INFORMATION RECEIVED**

Komplay brochure(playground equipment)

Wicksteed brochure (playground equipment)

Fenland Leisure Products catalogue

Glasdon catalogue – latest products for local councils

Jumbo Jet pressure washing

Daventry Over Fifties Forum (put on noticeboard)

Northants 50+ Network Newsletter

Northants 50+ Network – Getting Involved Register

Dept of Transport map of planned roadworks (Central England) Sept-Nov 2009

CVL systems (CCTV)

Receipt of records held in Northamptonshire Records Office

Open Space - Autumn 2009

Daventry & District Housing Association – *Tenants' Voice* – Autumn 2009

Clerks & Councils Direct – September 2009

**15. MATTERS TO RAISE ON NEXT AGENDA**

Precept for 2010/11 (2009/10 attached)

Dates and frequency for meetings in 2010

**16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – MONDAY 4 JANUARY 2010**