

MINUTE 161**MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF WHILTON PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 5th DECEMBER 2011 AT 7.30PM**

The following councillors attended:

Chairman – Peter Wingrave, councillors Ken Bowers, Michael Thomas, Nora Swinford, Greg Lye, and Sue Wingrave.

No parishioners were in attendance.

PARISHIONERS FORUM

Nothing was reported

Action

1. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were approved from Jonathan Hanslip – Rotary Meeting and Alison Nicoll – family illness.

2. MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

No items of interest were declared.

3. PLANNING APPLICATION DA/2-11/0919

Whilton Parish Council recommended that there should be a site visit before any decision is made, which in any event will be guided by Rachel Booth (Conservation Officer), on the planning application as Whilton Parish Council believes the cellars pre-date the present building.

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4. DISCUSSION OF LOCALISM BILL

The Chairman requested that a letter be sent to the DDC to please advise how as the Parish Council we can access either, free legal advice, or funding to assist in the accurate interpretation of statute or regulation, e.g. The Localism Bill. A working group was formed for this purpose, comprising of Michael Thomas, Greg Lye and Peter Wingrave.

There was a suggestion from Ken Bowers that Steve Osborne had in the past volunteered any help and advice on any Parish Council matters if there was no funding or help available from DDC.

5. MATTERS TO RAISE ON THE NEXT AGENDA

- a) VAT
- b) Insurance

The Parish Council would like all paperwork pertaining to the above and to be available at the next meeting. Michael Thomas has said he is happy to house all Parish paperwork during the Parish Clerk changeover.

The Parish Council would hope that they could interview candidates for the position of Parish Clerk within the next 2 weeks, to this end CVs need chasing from the recent two candidates that are at present Parish Clerks and have shown an interest.

**6. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING -
Wednesday 11 January 2012**

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.

