

Minute 171
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WHILTON PARISH COUNCIL
 Held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 12 September 2012 at 7pm

Present:

Peter Wingrave (Chair), Ken Bowers (Vice-Chair) and Councillors, Nora Swinford, Sue Wingrave, Jonathan Hanslip, Michael Thomas, Greg Lye and Erica Fothergill (Clerk).

Two parishioners attended.

1	Requests for dispensation – none.			
2	Public Open Forum – Nothing to report.			
3	Apologies – none.			
4	To receive members' Declarations of Interest for items on the agenda - none.			
5	Resolved to approve and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 11 July 2012.			
6	Completed Register of Members' The clerk requested councillors to complete and return the above forms to her as soon as possible, as they need to be sent to Daventry District Council's (DDC) Monitoring Officer, before end September.			
7	The updated Procedure for Complaints against Councillors was approved.			
8	Having adopted a zero tolerance approach to crime and damage to property at the last meeting, it was unanimously resolved to hold culprits and/or their parents liable for criminal damage to village property.			
9	Budget requirements for 2013/14 were discussed and agreed to enable the clerk to start preparing the budget for review in November. It was also agreed to meet monthly from November to March annually to meet audit and financial year-end requirements. Clerk to issue a revised meeting schedule.	EF ALL EF		
10	Finance			
1	Resolved to accept and approve the bank reconciliations for June, July and August 2012.			
2	Resolved to accept and approve the Income and Expenses for June, July & August 2012.			
3	Resolved to approve the following payments:			
	Cheque No.	Payee	Description	Amount £
	835	NCALC	Training – Localism Act	60.00
	836	E-ON	Electricity – Quarter 2	119.72
	837	Roy Haynes	Refund of petrol and mower expenses – June/July	97.20
	Standing Order	E Fothergill	Salary for July & August 2012	404.20
	838	E Fothergill	Expenses for July & August 2012	110.65
	839	WBC	Printing / photocopying charges - May to Aug	20.87
	840	Roy Haynes	Refund of petrol and mower expenses - August	22.08
	841	E-On	Maintenance for Quarter 2	50.44

11	Correspondence – contents noted.	
12	The Clerk advised that she had contacted NCC Highways who told her that, due to the cut in their funding, they were having to prioritise projects and that the footpath from the village to Whilton Locks was not currently a priority.	
13	The Clerk advised that the moving of the national speed limit signs on both main exit roads from the village have been approved and is currently being advertised to allow for public objections. It is anticipated that the signs could be moved by late autumn.	
14	Cllr Thomas advised that both Long Buckby and Welton Parish Councils withdrew from Daventry Villages Together (DVT). He offered to attend the September meeting to assess the situation and will report back at the next meeting.	MT
15	It was agreed to support NCALC's proposed governance arrangements.	
16	DDC's arrangements for dealing with allegations of breaches of the Code of Conduct for Councillors were reviewed and will be posted on the website.	EF
17	Cllr Hanslip offered to attend one of Northamptonshire's Transportation Plan/Thematic Transport Strategies' briefing sessions and to report back at the next meeting	JH
18	It was decided to display DDC's Housing Needs Survey posters, as requested.	
19	It was agreed to participate in DDC's Scrutiny consultation of parish council communications.	
20	The clerk requested that all councillors respond to any draft documents sent to them for comment, as soon as possible, to ensure that the documents represent the full council's view.	ALL
21	Date of the next Parish Council meeting – Wednesday 14 November 2012 at 7pm.	