

Minute 180

MINUTES OF THE FULL MEETING OF WHILTON PARISH COUNCIL

held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 10 July 2013 at 7pm

Present:

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

1	Requests for dispensation – None.																																	
2	Public Open Forum: Nothing to report.																																	
3	Apologies – None																																	
4	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 8 May 2013, as a true record of proceedings.																																	
6	Finance																																	
1	Resolved to accept and approve the internal audit report. The Chairman thanked the Clerk for her hard work in resolving outstanding issues.																																	
2	Resolved to accept and approve the bank reconciliations for May and June 2013.																																	
3	Resolved to accept and approve the Income and Expenditure for May and June 2013.																																	
4	Resolved to approve the following payments:																																	
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7	Correspondence – Noted.																																	
8	In line with NCC Highways' recommendations, it was resolved to write to NCC requesting that the pieces of land (as identified on the village green application, but not to be granted village green status) to be highway land and request that they are dedicated under section 37 of the Highways Act 1980.																																	
9	Resolved to nominate Whilton Allotments and Roughmoor Spinney to be held on a list of Assets of Community Value in terms of Community Right to Bid legislation. A working party consisting of Cllrs. Wingrave, Hanslip and Lye were appointed to complete the nomination forms.	PW JH GL																																
10	A report submitted by a sound specialist appointed by the owner of Whilton Mill in respect of planning application DA/2012/0742 for 9 pit garages, has been submitted to DDC's Environmental Health for assessment.																																	
11	Cllr Hanslip briefly summarised presentations at CPRE's Road Show on Planning that stood out for him, namely: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Government's drive for more good quality housing; • Planning policy changes, Local/Neighbourhood Plans, how to influence planning decisions and an update on the National Planning Policy Framework and its aims; • CPRE's Senior Planning Officer's update on windfarms and their national campaign to protect the countryside and to reduce noise and light pollution. 																																	

12	It was unanimously agreed not to renew Whilton Allotment Group's (WAG) rental of plot 4a as two subsequent applications had been received. It was further agreed for the Clerk to draft a letter to WAG for approval at the September meeting, requesting them to clear and prepare plot 4a for planting at the end of the current growing year so that it is fit for cultivation.	EF
13	It was agreed to forward details of NCC/Woodland Trust's offer of free Community tree packs to the Roughmoor Spinney Committee for their consideration.	EF
14	Cllr Michael Thomas provided feedback on DDC's Town & Parish Council meeting he attended, saying that the presentation on Council Tax v Precepts was very useful and easy to understand. Speeding and safety was also discussed and it was unanimously agreed that the situation in Whilton was much improved, probably on account of the new speeding signs.	
15	The Clerk reported that the flooding on home farm grounds had been reported to Highways. They advised that it was on their agenda to carry out an investigation. In their opinion the Headwall certainly requires rebuilding and there have been some alterations to this culvert at its lower end in the farm access that will also need to be investigated.	
16	Any Other Business – limited to 15 minutes, no decisions to be taken. Cllr Bowers reported an abundance of the herb 'Valerian' throughout the village that would need to be eradicated. They spread rapidly, have undesirable side effects and deep roots which could damage walls, etc. The Clerk was requested to add it to September's agenda.	EF
17	Date of next meeting – the full Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 11 September 2013, at 7pm.	