

Minute 198

MINUTES OF THE FULL MEETING OF WHILTON PARISH COUNCIL

held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 15 April 2015 at 8pm

Present:

Peter Wingrave (Chairman) Ken Bowers (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors, Greg Lye, Nora Swinford, Michael Thomas, Sue Wingrave and Erica Fothergill (Clerk).	
1	Requests for dispensation – None.
2	Public Open Forum – None
3	Resolved to accept apologies received from Cllr Jonathan Hanslip who was unable to attend due to family commitments.
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 11 March 2015 as a true record of proceedings.
6	1 Resolved to approve and sign the bank reconciliation for year ended March 2015.
	2 Resolved to approve and sign the Income and Expenditure for year ended March 2015.
	3 Resolved to approve the Annual Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2015.
	4 Resolved to approve Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Return for the financial year ended 31 March 2015 as well as the explanation of significant variances.
	5 Resolved to approve the list of Annual Expenditure Exceeding £100 as well as the list of Annual Payments & Subscriptions for the year ended 31 March 2015.
	6 E-On's intention to change our street lighting 'Deemed Contract' rate from 8.24p to 12.40p per kWh from 1 May 2015 was discussed. The Clerk advised that NCALC is in negotiation with Opus to secure a better deal for parish councils and that no notice is required to terminate our Deemed Contract with E-On. If Opus' offer does not include a maintenance package, the Clerk was requested to check with E-On whether they would continue to do the maintenance. A final decision will be made by the Council when more information is available. The Clerk was requested to put it on the May agenda.
	7 Resolved to accept E-On's quotation of £285 plus VAT per lamp for upgrading the remaining three lamps.
	8 Church Clock
	1 It was unanimously decided not to pay invoice number 87836 received from Smith of Derby Ltd for £180 in respect of a call out by the treasurer of the PCC as the Council does not have the power to pay for orders placed on its behalf.
	2 It was decided not to take a decision about the repair of the clock at this stage.
9	Resolved to cancel the monthly standing order for £219.18 in respect of the clerk's salary and to make online payments in the same amount. Any variations in this amount will require the Council's prior approval. The reason for the change is to ensure that payments are made in the month it falls due and not carried over into the following month by the bank, which has happened a few times.
10	Resolved to approve the following payments:

	Payment	Payee	Description	Amount £
	Cheque 941	CPRE	Annual Subscription	36.00
	S/O / Online	E Fothergill	March 2015 salary / expenses	289.49
	Cheque 942	Whilton Spinney	Grant	300.00
	Cheque 943	Post Office Ltd	PAYE, Quarter 4, 2014/15	165.40
	Cheque 944	Orchard Print Service	Spring Newsletter	108.00
	Cheque 945	Daventry District Council	Annual allotment rent to 28/02/2016	97.27
	See 8.1 above	Smith of Derby Ltd	Call out to reported fault Cancelled	180.00
	Online	E-On UK plc	Electricity 4 th Quarter 2014/15	91.85
	Direct Debit	Anglian Water	Allotment Water, 4 th Quarter 2014/15	21.36
7	Correspondence - Noted			
8	BT's offer to 'Adopt a Kiosk for £1' was considered. The Clerk advised that, upon enquiry, BT advised her that Whilton's kiosk was listed and would remain in operation if not adopted. It was unanimously agreed not to adopt the kiosk and for the Clerk to advise BT of this decision.			EF
9	No Councillors were available to attend CPRE's roadshow on 4th June.			
10	DDC's Housing Land Supply position as at 1st April 2015 showed that they still fell short of the required 5-year land supply, although Cllr Perry advised the parish meeting that they have now exceed this and are close to 6 years. No developments are planned in/near Whilton.			
11	The clerk advised that she had looked into the cost of a board for the allotments to display the plots numbers/layout but that they were too expensive. It was unanimously decided not to pursue it at this time.			
12	Matters Arising – None			
13	Date of next meeting – the meeting closed at 9:15pm. The Annual Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 13 May 2015 at 7pm.			