

**Minute 203**

**MINUTES OF THE FULL MEETING OF WHILTON PARISH COUNCIL  
held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 11 November 2015 at 7pm**

**1. OPENING PROCEDURES**

**1.1 APOLOGIES – Nil**

**1.2 PRESENT – Councillors:** Ken Bowers, Jonathan Hanslip, Greg Lye, Nora Swinford, Peter Wingrave (Chairman), Sue Wingrave, **District Councillor:** J Amos, Sue Porter (Clerk) and 3 members of the public.

**1.3 APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2015 –** It was agreed by all that the following minutes were an accurate record of the meeting and were signed and dated by the Chairman.

**1.4 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

**Non Pecuniary Interest:** Nil

**Disclosable Pecuniary Interest:** Nil

**2. MATTERS ARISING from last meeting - Nil**

**3. PUBLIC TIME –** There is an problem with an overgrown hedge, as was mentioned in the minutes of the Parish Council meeting dated 24<sup>th</sup> October 2012. The Althorp Estate agreed to keep the hedge low, as drivers and pedestrians need to be safe. The buses also seem to have changed route and this also needs looking into.

Janet Bowers is the new Chairman of The Spinney, and the secretarial duties are being shared. The Treasurer has not changed.

**4. COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS - Nil**

**5. BUSINESS**

**5.1 Capt. Reynolds Stone –** Following the meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> October, the working party have proposed the date of 20<sup>th</sup> September 2017 for the unveiling of the stone. There will be a village celebration on 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2017, which the working party will organise. The Clerk will notify Della Butcher at DDC for confirmation that the date of the 20<sup>th</sup> is acceptable.

The stone will be placed on the village green, with the exact location to be decided. K Bowers produced some drawings for the design, and these will need to be costed. The History Society will be applying for grants. The next meeting date for the working party is 8<sup>th</sup> December. G Lye will take on the project of the Capt. Reynolds Way footpath from Whilton to Whilton Locks, with the assistance of J Amos.

**5.2 District Law – Section 25 Notice – Allotments Lease –** The lease expires on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2016. The new lease will need to be compared with the current lease, and the Clerk will send a copy to S Wingrave. A report will be given at the next meeting.

**5.3 Community Speedwatch –** It was agreed that Brington Lane is a problem with speeding motorists and the idea of the speedwatch campaign was discussed. G Lye would like to pursue the 20mph speed zones, although after receiving a negative response from NCC Highways, an action plan from the Parish Council needs to be decided.

**5.4 DDC – Planning Training –** Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December - The Clerk will ask for a copy of the planning notes to be circulated following the training course.

**5.5 DDC – Parish & Town Councils Meeting –** Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December 6:30pm – It was agreed by all that P Wingrave and G Lye will attend on behalf of Whilton Parish Council.

**5.6 Dog Waste Bin request** – Following an e-mail received from a local resident, it was decided that with the new dog control powers coming into force from 1<sup>st</sup> December 2015, that signage will be printed from the DDC website, laminated and placed around the village. The cost and location for the dog waste bin will be discussed at the next meeting. The Clerk will forward the new rules for publication in the newsletter.

**(Johnnie Amos (DDC) arrives)**

**5.7 Footpath request from Whilton to Whilton Locks** – Information provided by J Amos: Initial permission will be needed for Capt. Reynolds Way from NCC. There has been support given from both County and District Councillors. The footpath can only lead down the go-karting side of the road, and Ian Smith has provided an initial estimate cost of £50,000. There is however no funding available, should the fields be used then the Walking and Cycling budget could be accessed. Another suggestion would be to approach local businesses for funding, along with other grant opportunities available. This will be on the agenda for the next meeting for further ideas.

**5.8 Approve Precept for 2016/2017** – This will be discussed and approved at the next meeting. A draft budget has been prepared by the Clerk and circulated, and with the proposed additions of funding for Capt. Reynolds stone and for a fireworks display planned for 2018.

## 6. FINANCE

**6.1 Approve Income/Expenditure Update & Bank Reconciliation's from August, September and October 2015** – A copy was produced to all Councillors and agreed to be correct.

**Accounts Paid (since 01/09/2015):**

Maurice Clements	Peppercorn Rent	£	0.05
123 Reg	E-Mail Renewal	£	14.26
Anglian Water	Allotments	£	19.69

**Income Received (since 01/09/2015):**

Bank Interest	£	0.53
HMRC Overpayment	£	252.19
DDC ½ Year Precept	£	4,187.50

**6.2 Approve Accounts to be paid – November 2015:**

It was proposed by K Bowers, seconded by G Lye and all voted in favour to pay the following accounts:

Online - HMRC (Q2 Clerk's PAYE)	£	163.80
Online - S Porter – Clerk's Salary Sept 15	£	237.18
Online - S Porter – Clerk's Salary Oct 15	£	236.98
Chq 952 E-On - Street Lighting Maintenance July-Sept 15	£	57.32
Chq 953 E-On – Street Lighting Costs – October 15	£	97.04
Chq 954 Orchard Print – Whilton Newsletter Autumn 2015	£	139.20

## 7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

**DA/2015/0839** – Conversion of garage to provide additional accommodation and construction of new garage block – **Lower Farm House, Brington Road, Whilton**

**No Objections submitted by e-mail.**

### 7.1 PLANNING PERMISSION GRANTED

**DA/2015/0651** – Use of land for siting of manege – **Homefields House, Home Farm Grounds, Brington Lane, Whilton**

## **8. CORRESPONDENCE**

**8.1 KierWSP** – Community Liaison Officers for the District remain unchanged for Whilton Parish.

**8.2 DDC – Daventry Local Development Scheme** – Noted

**8.3 DDC – Note on Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)** - Noted

**8.4 NCALC – Transparency Fund** – The Clerk will make enquiries to the funding available

**9. Date of next meeting of the Parish Council – Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2016**

**Meeting Closed: 8:20pm**