

**Minute 209**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WHILTON PARISH COUNCIL  
held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> August at 7:30pm**

**1. OPENING PROCEDURES**

**1.1 PRESENT** – A Gilbert, J Hanslip, A Lee, J Melling, R Smith (Chairman), District Councillor J Amos and 6 members of the public

**1.2 APOLOGIES** – K Hiscock, M Thomas

**1.3 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS** – Nil

**2. GUEST – EAST MIDLANDS AMBULANCE SERVICE – MANDY LOWE – COMMUNITY DEFIBRILLATORS** – Mandy demonstrated the defibrillator and explained how the installation would work. The “999 campaign” provides the defibrillator and heated cabinet. The installation address will be registered with EMAS, and the unit would cover a 500m radius, which would provide valuable assistance following the first 10 minutes following a cardiac arrest. Grant funding is available from the British Heart Foundation at various times throughout the year. A 2 hour training session is also provided.

**3. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS** held on **WEDNESDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> JUNE 2016**, it was proposed by A Lee, seconded by A Gilbert that these were a true and correct record and were signed and dated by the Chairman & **WEDNESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2016**, it was proposed by R Smith, seconded by J Hanslip that these were a true and correct record and were signed and dated by the Chairman.

**4. MATTERS ARISING**

**4.1 Condition of Brington Lane** – Response from Ian Smith (NCC Highways) – Some, albeit a few, of the pot holes have been marked for repair along this stretch of road. The question will be asked how the priority is given to the repair of roads in the County, as much more minor roads have been given a much better standard of repair, such as around Nobottle and Dodford.

**4.2 Buses in the village** – Response from John Ellerby (NCC) has yet to be received by e-mail, the Clerk will chase for the next meeting.

**4.3 Whilton Locks** – Car Parking Issues – Defer to the October meeting.

**5. PUBLIC TIME** – The BT phone box is in need of refurbishment and needs addressing. There is ivy covering one of the street lights and Western Power will be approached when they visit the village to clear the power lines.

**6. COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS** – J Amos spoke to confirm his help and assistance with the suggested allotment land transfer from DDC to the Parish Council.

**7. BUSINESS**

**7.1 Community Defibrillators** – Following the demonstration earlier in the evening, it was agreed that ideally 2 defibrillators would be needed for the village and Whilton Locks. A letter requesting donations will be sent to the businesses in Whilton Locks. Once the responses have been received, the next stage will be considered.

**7.2 Telephone Box** – As this is a listed box, BT will be approached and asked to restore and paint the box.

**7.3 DACT Minibus Service for Whilton** – The DACT service is currently only used by 1 resident in the village (using Brington Travel Club) so it was not deemed necessary for a separate membership for the village.

**7.4 Broadband Speeds in the village** – Brington, Norton and Whilton will join forces and write a letter to BT OpenReach requesting an improved service for the villages and a fibre optic cabinet. Rural businesses are being affected. R Smith will draft a letter.

**7.5 Transfer of Ownership for Whilton Allotments** – R Smith has been speaking with James Ring at DDC with regards to transfer of the land to the Parish Council. A figure of £4,000 has been suggested by DDC, but this is negotiable. It was suggested that the Parish Council offer £1,000 and also ask for the costs of the legal fees (maximum of £2,500 in total). A letter has been received from WAG (Whilton Allotment Group) offering to do more administration work for the allotments, managing the rents and plots. The annual payment date be moved to January. All plot holders would become members of WAG, and unattended plots would be chased up. A Lee proposed that these proposals move forward, seconded by R Smith and all voted in favour.

**7.6 Anglian Water** - Roadworks planned for September 2016 – The road closures are planned for 2 days from 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> September 2016

**7.7 Damaged Seat** – The seat at the top of the village has been badly damaged and after received a quote for repairs which amounted to £325, it was agreed that a new vandal proof seat (Phoenix style) be purchased from Glasdon at a cost of £404.55 plus VAT.

**7.8 Speed Limits** – Whilton Locks and Whilton Village – Following a meeting of the NCC Speed Review Panel a limit of 40mph will be introduced for Whilton Locks. Whilton village will not be considered for a 20mph limit. There is a road leading off from the A5 to Whilton Locks, which should be one way, the signage will be checked at this location.

**7.9 Traffic in Villages** – Safety and Civility for Rural Roads (Capt. Reynolds Way) – A Lee has been investigating the possibility of using the fields for a footpath down to Whilton Locks and has found that DEFRA would need to be contacted to confirm a possible 2 metre permitted footpath. This project will be researched further and discussed at the October meeting.

## **8. FINANCE**

**8.1 Approve Latest Income/Expenditure Update & Bank Reconciliations (June & July)** – Approved R Smith, seconded by J Hanslip, and all voted in favour.

### **8.2 Approve Accounts paid (June & July 2016):**

Approved R Smith, seconded by J Hanslip, and all voted in favour.

Online	123Reg – E-mail Subscription	£ 43.06	LGA 1972 s111
Online	S Porter – Clerk’s Salary June 16	£ 243.18	LGA 1972 s151
Online	HMRC 2016-17 Q1	£ 106.52	LGA 1972 s151
Online	Anglian Water March-June16	£ 10.92	Allotment Act 1908
Online	S Porter – Clerk’s Salary July 16	£ 239.18	LGA 1972 s151

### **8.3 Approve Accounts to be paid**

Many thanks were given to Jim Gardner whom installed the dog waste bin very quickly and then the cheques were approved R Smith, seconded by J Hanslip, and all voted in favour.

Chq No 970	NCALC – Bespoke Training Session	£ 234.00	LGA 1972 s111
Chq No 971	E-On - Street Lighting July 16	£ 95.99	PCA 1957 s3
Chq No 972	Glasdon – Dog Waste Bin	£ 103.82	Litter Act 1983

### **8.4 Payments Received**

Nat West	Interest (June & July)	£ 0.37
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**8.5 Bank Balance (as at 31.07.2016) Total £12,527.18**

## **9. PLANNING**

**DA/2016/0585 (AMENDED)** - Demolition of existing garage. Construction of two storey side extension and new double garage – **1 Langton Rise, Whilton**

The Parish Council agreed to continue to submit the following objections as before and R Smith will attend and speak at the DDC Planning Committee Meeting next week.

### **PLANNING PERMISSIONS GRANTED**

The Parish Council noted the following planning permissions:

**DA/2016/0415** – First floor rear extension and alterations to existing single storey rear extension - **Inglenook, Main Street, Whilton**

**DA/2016/0498** - Construction of two storey rear extension in lieu of single storey rear extension already approved - **Foxhill, Brington Lane, Whilton**

## **10. CORRESPONDENCE**

**10.1 Anglian Water** – Private Pumping Stations – Noted

**10.2 Parish Councils** – Rural Exception Schemes – Noted

**10.3 DDC - Part 2A/B Local Plan Evidence Base Methodologies** - Technical Consultation – R Smith will read through the document.

**11. DATE OF NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2016**

**Meeting Closed: 9:26pm**