

## **Wistanstow Parish Council**

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### **The Minutes of the Parish Meeting Council meeting held on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2016 at Wistanstow Village Hall Annex Room commencing at 7.00pm**

#### **Present:**

Mr D Bytheway	Mrs J Woodroffe
Mr R Brown	Ms A Minton Beddoes
Mr J Morris	Mr B Metcalf
Mr M Flanagan	Mr P Powell
Mr C E Williams (Clerk)	

Members of the Public were present

The meeting stood in memory of Harold Powell-Bevan who passed away on the 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2016 aged 86 and was a well-known and well liked member of the Wistanstow Community. For many years he was a member and treasure of the Village Hall Committee. Although not a Parish Councillor he regularly attended parish Council meeting contributing in the public session. He will be sadly missed and the thoughts of the Parish Council are with Rita and the Family.

#### **1. Apologies:**

Mr P Jones and Mr R Brown

#### **2. Members of the Public:**

Mr P Clarke the Parish Councils Footpath Officer gave a report on the footpaths in the area. There was a broken stile on the Wistanstow – Leamore Common footpath which was the responsibility of British Rail and a footbridge had collapsed which is to be repaired by Shropshire Council.

#### **3. Declarations of Interest:**

No declarations of interest.

#### **4. Minutes**

The Parish Council approved the minutes of the meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> January 2016 which were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

#### **5. Matters arising from the Minutes:**

The Clerk reported that the Highway/Environment Grant is to be received for 2016/17 from Shropshire Council however because of services cuts this will be the final payment.

#### **6. Chairman's Communications:**

Due to the withdrawal of the current website facilities by Shropshire Council and with funding being obtainable from Central Government for the development of a new site the Clerk has been able to develop a new improved site which contains additional financial information and a planning tracker system. The new site is [www.wistanstowpc.org.uk](http://www.wistanstowpc.org.uk)

#### **7. Planning Items:**

The Clerk clarified the approval for the development of land at Newington Farm under SAMDev which is for allocation dedicated solely for the development of a Class B2 abattoir and processing plant for Euro Quality Lambs (EQL). This is intended to create the Newington Food Park which will also include support services for the operation of the new abattoir and a strategic highway junction with the A49 trunk road constructed in conjunction with the development of site ELR055. This extensive strategic employment allocation requires appropriate schemes for design and materials, flood alleviation, drainage, tree and woodland protection and ecological, archaeological and landscape character mitigation recognising the situation of the site in relation to the strategic flood plain, the Grove parkland and the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

### **8. Highway Items/Amenity Items:**

- a) The Clerk was asked to report to Shropshire Council Highways the condition of the road junction opposite Manor Farm Cottages Wistanstow.
- b) The Parish Council to ask Shropshire Council to consider visibility improvements for road users at the junction of Cross Pipes Whittingslow B4370 consideration should perhaps be-given to the installation of a safety mirror.

### **9. Reports from Outside Organisations**

Mr M Flanagan had attended the recent Craven Arms and Area Local Joint Committee which had received a report from the Local Police, a presentation on a new initiative Everybody Active for Every Day where a grant allocation of £30,000 is available to the Craven Arms Area for voluntary organisations to apply for new capital projects details available from Lis Bedford your local community enablement officer, on 07990 085656 or email her at [lisa.bedford@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:lisa.bedford@shropshire.gov.uk) You can also find out more at their drop in event on Wednesday 20 April, 5.30 – 7pm at CasCA and Wednesday 27 April, 2 – 5pm at the Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre.

### **10. Financial Items:**

- b) The Parish Council approved the following accounts for payment:

- V Stone – Payroll - £50
- 123 REG – Website Domain - £30.53
- Inland Revenue - £129.99 – Tax
- C E Williams - £293 – Clerks Disbursement
- Eon – Street Lighting Repairs – £434.06
- C E Williams – Website Development - £1,900
- Npower – Street Lighting Energy - £98.26

### **11. Closed Church Yard Wistanstow:**

The Parish Council considered the quotations for the grass cutting of the Closed Church Yard and awarded the contract to Mr V Davis, Leamoor Villa, Leamoor Common, Craven Arms

### **11. Next Meeting:**

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2016 (Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Meeting of the Parish Council).

Chairman