

Wistanstow Parish Council

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The Minutes of the Zoom Virtual Meeting of Wistanstow Parish Council held on Wednesday 16th September 2020 commencing at 7.00pm

Present:

Mr M Flanagan, Mrs J Woodroffe MBE, Mr P Powell, Mr J Morris, Mr A Carney, Mr M White, Mrs Andrea Minton Beddoes
Mr C E Williams (Clerk)

1. Apologies:

Mr P Jones and Mr D Bytheway

2. Items from members of the Public

A member of the public attended the meeting to express concern about the trees bordering Wistanstow Church Closed Cemetery for which the Parish Council has responsibility for maintenance.

3. Declarations of Interest

Nil

4. Minutes

The Parish Council approved the minutes of the meeting held on the 27th May 2020 and were approved.

5. Matters arising from the Minutes:

No Items

6. Chairman's Communications

The Chairman gave a report on the recent outbreak of the Coronavirus outbreak in Craven Arms and how he had been involved in the sharing of information by the visual meetings with Shropshire Council and Public Health England representatives dealing with the outbreak. This had enabled regular updates to be made to parish councillors and notices to be placed on the notice boards within the parish.

7. Planning Items:

Planning application 20/03378/Full – Proposed erection of an affordable dwelling with detached garage to include treatment plant – single plot exception affordable dwelling Lower Lane Wistanstow. The Parish Council considered this affordable application under the document "Shropshire Local Development Framework, Types and Affordability of Housing, Supplementary Planning Development adopted 12th September 2012 under the section Affordable Housing for Local People - exception sites.

The Parish Council agreed to support the application for the development of one affordable dwelling only on land at Lower Lane Wistanstow with this being an "exception site" and with the applicants meeting the Local Affordable Criteria.

Cllr M White enquired about an update on the Craven Arms and Rural Local Plan with issues effecting Wistanstow Parish. The Clerk reported that it was unlikely any progress would be made on items with in the current financial climate due to lack of funding being available.

8. Highway/Amenity/Footpath Items:

a) The Parish Council considered the maintenance of the trees bordering the closed cemetery Wistanstow Church and the impact of debris falling from the trees during high winds. The Clerk reported that a tree inspection had been undertaken in 2019 and no remedial work was recommended to the trees. The Parish Council agreed to ask a tree surgeon to look at the trees and to obtain a further tree inspection report.

b) The Clerk to report the condition of the highway which runs along Cheney Longville – Hopesay and enquire if there is any planned maintenance work.

c) Mr M White referred to the continue problem of the continued pollution of the roadway through Bushmoor which had been referred to Highways, Environmental Health and Shropshire Councillor Mr D Evans the Clerk will pursue the matter.

9. Financial Items:

The Parish Council approved the following accounts for payment:

V Davies – Grass Cutting Closed Churchyard - £560.00

Smiths of Derby – Clock Maintenance - £294.00

N Power – Street Lighting - £ 127.59

Wistanstow Parish Charities- Payment wrongly credited to the Parish Council Bank Account - £250.00
C E Williams – Disbursement - £1,100
V Stone – Payroll Admin - £50.00
The Clerk had produced a summary of the Income and Expenditure which showed a balance of £30,467.06 at the 16th September 2020.

10. Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 11th November 2020 commencing 7.00pm

Chairman

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