

WAPPENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Draft minutes of the ordinary meeting of Wappenham Parish Council held on
Tuesday 19th May 2009 at Wappenham Village Hall at 7:50pm.

Present: Councillors Lay, King, Marshall, Wickham
Liz Hart, Parish Clerk

Action

1112 Apologies

Mr Featherstone had sent apologies due to work commitments. The meeting was therefore chaired by Miss Marshall.

1113 Approval of minutes of meetings held on 31st March and 8th April 2009

Mr King proposed, seconded by Mrs Wickham, that the Minutes of 31st March be approved. All were in favour and Miss Marshall signed the Minutes.

Miss Marshall proposed, seconded by Mr King, that the Minutes of 8th April be approved. All were in favour and Miss Marshall signed the Minutes.

1114 Matters Arising

1091 Caravans on Abthorpe Rd

Mrs Wickham had been unable to contact the Clerk to date.

1093

Empowering Councillors Scheme - possible grant for Village Hall Committee

The Clerk confirmed that no funds were currently available.

1094

Invitation to the Police for the Annual Assembly

The Police had not attended due to confusion with dates.

1098

Replacement sign

The village sign had finally been replaced; Mrs Wickham volunteered to remove the redundant deflectors.

1115 Finance

a) Financial statement

Cash and Investment Accounts at 20th May 2009	
Current Account - A +L	1341.37
Deposit Account (Post Office)	1520.66
Total	2862.03

It was noted that a precept payment of £900 had been received. Mrs Wickham proposed, seconded by Mr Lay that the Financial Statement be approved. All were in favour.

b) To consider whether to subscribe to ACRE

Mrs Wickham proposed, seconded by Mr Lay that the Parish Council should subscribe to ACRE for the Village Hall Committee's benefit. All were in favour.

c) To review insurance quotes

Mrs Wickham proposed, seconded by Mr Lay that the Parish Council should insure with

the Norwich Union via Came and Company for a total of £262.50. All were in favour.

d) Bills for Payment

Mr King proposed, seconded by Mr Lay that all bills be paid as listed below. All were in favour.

Bills received	NET	VAT	TOTAL	Cheque number	Power
NCALC membership	94.82	0.00	94.82	440	LGA 1972 s143
NCALC Internal Auditor	74.97	0.00	74.97	441	LGA 1972 s111
E Hart (Annual Assembly expenses)	13.71	0.00	13.71	442	LGA 1972 s111
ACRE	40.00	0.00	40.00	443	LGA 1972 S143
Came and Company (Broker Network Limited)	262.50	0.00	262.50		LGA 1972 s114

e) Annual Return – Approval of Statement of Accounts

Mr Lay proposed, seconded by Mrs Wickham that the Statement of Accounts be approved. All were in favour and Miss Marshall and the Clerk as Responsible Financial Officer signed Section 1.

f) Annual Return - Approval of Annual Governance Statement

Miss Marshall read out each statement from the Annual Return. All statements were answered in the affirmative with the final trust funds statement being not applicable. Mr Lay proposed, seconded by Mr King that these be approved. All were in favour and Miss Marshall and the Clerk signed Section 2.

1116 Review of general correspondence

The following correspondence was reviewed:

SNC

- S/2009/0241/P – The Old Barn Priest Hay Wood Farm Wappenham Road Syresham : Removal of condition 2 of planning permission S/2007/1613/P to allow the dwelling to be sold or independently sub let – consultation details – *planning meeting held* - revised proposal description and new consultation – *response collated by email to comply with timescales*
- S/2009/182/P - Rectory Farm School Lane Wappenham - Change of use of part of grain barn from agriculture to form motor repair workshop – notice of Committee meeting, details of report, notice that a site visit will take place, notice that application has been withdrawn
- S/2009/253/LB - : 1 School Lane Wappenham - Repair and convert outbuilding to games room and ancillary guest accommodation. Works to include new ground and first floors, repairs and internal linings to walls, reducing overall depth of garage wing, repairs/replacement roof timbers and re-slating roof to include extending the garage roof on to the outbuilding roof, the replacement of windows and doors including rooflights – *planning meeting held*
- S/2009/254/P - 1 School Lane Wappenham - Repair and convert outbuilding to

- games room and ancillary guest accommodation - *planning meeting held*
- Notice that WPC may co-opt two new members as ten requests for an election were not received
- Arts New South Northamptonshire
- County and European election posters – *displayed*
- Register of Electors – *monthly updates*
- Invite to Armed Forces Day – 22nd June 2009
- Confirmation that the precept (1st instalment) would be received by 21st April
- Interim Rural Housing Planning Policy – consultation details

NCC

- Transport and Highways – invite to “The Way Forward” Presentation and subsequently details of the presentation

ACRE

- Village Viewpoint – Spring 2009

NCALC

- Subscription invoice - £94.82
- Internal audit service - £74.97
- Update on Swine Flu
- “Round Robin” – miscellaneous information

Misc

- Alliance and Leicester – May
- Allianz – insurance renewal - £285.46
- Came and Company – insurance quote - £262.50
- Mrs Davis – letter regarding memorial bench to Mike Davis
- BDO – Annual Return Pack
- National Savings – Interest notification of £44.90
- Alzheimer’s Society – April newsletter
- South Northants Home – works briefing paper – April 2009
- SNVB – Link Up Newsletter
- Active Aging Newsletter
- Details on 50+ Roadshow – *put out on WIZ*
- Equality and Human Rights Commission – leaflet on Public Sector Equality Status
- West Northamptonshire Joint Planning Unit – *details of consultation on Affordable Housing in West Northamptonshire and details regarding an error in the report*

Regarding the Interim Rural Housing Planning Policy Mr Lay proposed, seconded by Miss Marshall that the preferred option should be the second one. All were in favour and the Clerk will respond to this effect.

1117 To consider any action required regarding the Swine Flu outbreak

It was agreed that a plan should be considered regarding vulnerable parishioners. The Clerk will put this on the September Agenda.

Clerk

1118 To consider procedure required to fill casual vacancies

It was hoped to fill the vacant positions at the next meeting as SNC had confirmed that co-option could now take place. The posts had been advertised in WIZ, on the notice board and on the website.

Clerk

1119 To receive update regarding the Horse Chestnut on the Knob

The loss adjusters had contacted the Clerk by phone to advise that they had closed the case as no further details had been forthcoming from the claimant. The Clerk was asked to obtain written confirmation from Allianz that the case was closed.

Clerk

1120 Dates for future meetings

Tuesday 7th July – 7:30pm – Ordinary meeting
 Tuesday 8th September – 7:30pm – Ordinary meeting

1121 AOB

The Clerk was requested to write to Cllr Warren requesting support towards getting the VDS adopted.

The Parish Council noted that clay pigeon shooting had been taking place on Sundays on the outskirts of the village; the matter will be looked into.

Brigadier Koe had reported an issue with a hedge not being clipped back; it was noted that Jane George representing the PCC should be approached.

Clerk

The meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.