

## WORLINGWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

### ***All Councillors are reminded of their obligations under the Code of Conduct Regulations.***

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2014 in St Mary's Church.

Attendance	Carol Garrett (CG)(chair)	Karen Osborn (KO)
	Janette Scarborough (JS)	Brian Smallcombe (BS)

There were no parishioners present at the meeting.

#### WPC 14-04-01 Apologies for Absence

Jenny Holmes (JH) was unable to attend due to family commitments. CG informed the Council that Nick Westwood had offered his resignation, due to pressure of work, but she had suggested he might take a leave of absence instead.

#### 14-04-2 Planning application 1590/14 re The Rectory, Church Road, Worlingworth

Councillors had all studied the application in advance of the meeting, and taken note of a comment in support of the application from a close neighbour. After a brief discussion, BS proposed that the Council offer no objection to the application, JS seconded and **THIS WAS RESOLVED.**

#### 14-04-3 Table Tennis Table

- a. The Clerk issued a paper detailing options for purchasing a table tennis table, using the £1000 prize money from the Active Villages Competition. Although there was one outdoor table available for £499, councillors felt it was important to get the most robust table which could withstand rough treatment. KO proposed that the Cornilleau Park Table be bought, at a cost of £1500, JS seconded, and **THIS WAS RESOLVED.**
- b. The Clerk also circulated three estimates for preparing the ground for the installation of the table, and after a brief discussion, KO proposed that the tender from Ipswich Borough Council (IBC) (which has recently installed two such tables) be accepted. JS seconded, and **THIS WAS RESOLVED.**

It was agreed that the table should be installed as quickly as possible, to be available for use throughout the summer. BS therefore proposed that if IBC could not carry out the work quickly, the second most economic tender should be accepted. KO seconded and **THIS WAS RESOLVED.**

The Clerk was asked to inform the various suppliers, and ascertain how quickly IBC might be able to carry out the work. She will also buy the table, grass matting to go underneath it and a starter pack of bats and balls. The total cost will be in the region of £2365, well over the value of the prize money. It was suggested that an application might be made to the County Councillor's Locality Budget, and CG volunteered to do this. JS said there might well be other grants available, and volunteered to find out about them.

#### 14-04-4 War Memorial Repair

The Clerk reported that she had approached four firms to tender for the repair; one had failed to return her telephone calls after initial interest, and one had declined to bid. The Council considered the two tenders received, and KO proposed that Saxon Monumental Craft be given the job. BS seconded and **THIS WAS RESOLVED.**

#### 14-04-5 Matters to be brought to the Attention of the Council

- a. As several Councillors will be attending external meetings on behalf of the PC, CG asked that all should supply a brief written report on the meeting and send it to the Clerk in time to be circulated prior to the next meeting.

- b. CG reported that she had asked for a meeting with Bert Stanford and Keith Wilson to discuss the PC's grant to the PCC for grass-cutting, but this had not yet happened. As CG was about to go away for several days, she would try to meet KW before she goes.
- c. The Clerk reported that Mrs Alexander of Barn Meadow Farm had discovered that Suffolk County Council was responsible for cutting the hedge at the bottom of Swan Lane, and would be carrying out the work shortly.
- d. St Elizabeth Hospice had written to thank the PC for its donation of £250 in recognition of Ian Abbott's grass-cutting in the village. A copy of this letter was passed on to Mr Abbott.
- e. The Clerk reported she had received a request for funding from the Suffolk Accident Rescue Service (SARS). Last year, a similar request had come in on a PC Funding Application form, and a grant had been made. JS felt strongly that all funding requests should be submitted on the appropriate form, and the Clerk will write to SARS explaining this.

There being no further business requiring the attention of the Parish Council, the meeting was closed at 8.06 pm. The next meeting is provisionally set for **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2014** at 7.30 pm.

Amanda Ashton  
Parish Clerk

Carol Garrett  
Chair