

**MINUTES FOR PARISH MEETING HELD VIA ZOOM ON THURSDAY 17TH
SEPTEMBER 2020 AT 7PM.**

Welcome all including Nigel Fisher who is sitting in on the meeting regarding possible co-option onto the Parish Council.

Present: Kirsty Bell(chair) Louise Kirkwood, Gary Scorer, Neil Fowler, Sue Rollitt (clerk), Nigel Fisher, Chris Tait (parishioner).

County Council update from Glen Sanderson (circulated for reading before meeting) No matters raised by Councillors.

10 minute slot for any questions from Parishioners. No questions forwarded.

Declaration of Interest in items on the Agenda other than standard declaration of Interest. NONE.

Minutes of meeting held Thursday 16th July 2020 approved by all. (circulated for reading before meeting). To be signed by Kirsty within next few days.

MATTERS ARISING

1 Response from Neil Snowden re flashing sign request for Wingates village. Email sent re request on 27/07/2020 and 2 subsequent emails. Email received 16/09/2020 stating a 'SLOW CHILDREN PLAYING' sign would not be permitted as we do not have a playground. Speed surveys could be arranged again and wondered if recent safety measures introduced have improved the situation, the SLOW marking on the lane and Z bend sign now in situ. Unfortunately, we still have an alleged problem with speed in the village. Gary requested we contact Neil again re any possible signage we could use. Kirsty asked the question of the type of traffic causing the issue, possibly delivery drivers and other vehicles.

2 Update on Bridleway matters. Neil reported 1 household had altered frontage to garden to enable car parking and contract out for water works to be completed at 4 house holds, hole will then be filled in. Neil has cleared the stile area.

3 Parked white van on approach to Wingates, email sent re this matter on 27/07/2020. Van removed on 15th August, not sure by whom.

4 Complaint regarding parked vehicles and large boulders in situ near the Sawmill in Wingates, email sent 27/07/2020. Email from Martin King boulders have been inspected and NCC are currently drafting letters to inform residents that they are illegal and need to be removed. This is not straightforward and may take up to 4 weeks before any progress is made. Sign replacement on Wards Hill ordered and potholes, larger areas of road repairs will be completed as soon as possible. Neil commented on the Sawmill being busy and Gary stated it is open 7 days a week and there appears to be someone living on site. Kirsty replied the business has been in operation for decades and was glad to see the local economy doing well. However, the public are still restricted to visiting at certain times which naturally increases the vehicles at those particular times. The business has been broken into on several occasions and been a victim of theft, the owner obviously feels the need for additional security.

5 Parish Councillor vacancy, letter sent to Michael Orde re any suggestions of who may be interested, suggested we contact Nigel Fisher who has joined the meeting tonight. Chris Tait has also shown an interest in becoming a Councillor when the next vacancy occurs.

6.Update from Neil regarding WVI meeting held Monday 20th July 2020. Heather Leatherland has resigned as Chair, committee membership is also dwindling. The AGM is in November, if anyone is interested in joining. A Zoom account will be set up during October at the Village Hall which the Parish Council can access allowing the meetings to be held without the time constraints. Funding has been secured from Wingates Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund monies for pathway and outside lights to the back door so that people can then exit via the front door giving a one-way system (Covid compliant). David Appleby to carry out the work. Also going to install an engaged/vacant lighting system for the toilets to enable social distancing. The book and bridge club have expanded during lockdown via zoom.

7. Neil has looked at the Local Plan Examination Consultation and feels there is no direct relevance to our Parish.

CORRESPONDENCE

1 Local Transport Plan - no items to requests, Sue to reply as such by 11/10/2020

MEETINGS

1 Report from Kirsty regarding Wingates Wind Farm Community Benefits Fund meeting. Application from Wingates Village Hall for funding of footpath for Covid 19 one way system approved £4896. Longhorsley Parish Council funding approved for refurbishment of Adamsons Park equipment and ground work £6100. Parish Council to pay for insurance and maintenance. Total of £11,000 approved during the meeting. Total in Wind Farm Account is £72,000. It was agreed to increase the maximum grant to £5,000 but the panel still have the discretion to make higher awards. Groups still to be encouraged to apply for funding elsewhere and to develop skills and experience in fundraising locally.

FINANCE

1 Precept received 03/09/2020 £700.50

2 In A/C as of 17/09/2020 £1,149.07

3 Cheques completed and signed after July meeting for Sue's wages and Kirsty's expenditure

AGAR

1 Certificate of Exemption signed by Kirsty and Sue after the zoom meeting sent 19/07/2020. Confirmation it has been received.

2 AGAR information published on website/notice on notice board from 01/09/2020 until 12/10/2020.

AOB

Date of next meeting Thursday December 3rd 2020 at 18.00

Future dates for meetings

Thursday February 4th 2021 at 18.00

Thursday May 13th 2021 at 19.00 AGM

Thursday July 15th 2021 at 19.00

Thursday September 16th 2021 at 19.00

Meeting closed at 19.40