

WISTON PARISH COUNCIL

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**Wiston Parish Council Meeting,
7.00pm, Wednesday 16th September 2020, via Zoom**

Minutes

Present: Cllr Sid Garner (Chairman), Cllr John Goring, Cllr Mary Leopard,
Cllr Marion Nash, Cllr Steve Page.

In attendance: Cllr John Blackall

Clerk: Lucinda Woodage

Members of the public: None

20.1 To consider accepting apologies for absence. Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Paul Marshall and Cllr John McLellan.

20.2 To record declarations of interest from Members in any item to be discussed.

None declared for this meeting.

Members have completed their Register of Interests update forms which the Clerk will upload to the website.

20.3 To approve the Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting of 15th July, circulated by email. Approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

20.4 To adjourn the meeting to allow public participation. None for this meeting.

20.5 To receive reports from County and District Councillors.

Cllr Blackall reported that due to the Covid-19 crisis, Horsham District Council is haemorrhaging money and currently has 15-18 months of reserves. Council meetings are all by Zoom which is proving satisfactory but not ideal. Cllr Blackall also mentioned the sad news regarding the loss of long serving

Councillor, David Jenkins. The Chairman has sent condolences on behalf of Wiston PC.

Cllr Blackall left the meeting at 19.14

20.6 Highways and Footpaths

20.6.1 A villager has reported that the removable footpath sign in the crop field at Bunton needs to be put back. Cllr Goring will talk to the farmer.

20.7 Planning matters

No new applications.

20.8 Neighbourhood Plan. Carried forward to next meeting, when this agenda item will be renamed Design Statement.

20.9 Finance

20.9.1 Bank balance @ 16.09.20: £15,958.60

20.9.2 Approved payments:

Payee	Amount
L Woodage, Clerk, July	£196.35
L Woodage, Litter Warden, July	£ 47.63
Co-op, Ashington. Bin bags for litter warden	£ 8.00
L Woodage, Clerk, August	£223.50
L Woodage, Litter Warden, August	£ 47.63

20.9.3 The National Association of Local Councils has published a salary increase for Clerks, equating to £5.43 per month, backdated to April this year.

20.10 Approval of Standing Orders. Approved.

20.11 Approval of Financial Regulations. Approved.

20.12 Approval of Financial and non-Financial Risk Assessments. Approved.

20.13 Community Matters

18.53.1 Upgrade of Great Barn Farm footpath. At a recent meeting of Councillors with Richard Goring, RG indicated that the change of use from footpath to bridleway through Great Barn Farm is something that the Estate are considering as part of a larger plan

incorporating the winery and farm shop at North Farm to create improved access for cyclists and horse riders from Washington/Wiston/Findon to Steyning and beyond. Any change would be on a permissive permission basis.

19.40.1 Potential purchase of vehicle activated signage. Highways have provided public notices which are sited at the proposed locations of the poles. Once these have been displayed for 28 days, unless there is strong public opposition, the PC will be issued with a Licence Undertaking (maintenance agreement). Following that the poles and device will be ordered and installed.

19.81.1 Repair/replacement of leaky noticeboard. Cllr Garner will mend this.

20.14 Information items. Councillors' opportunity to raise other matters not already discussed, and to suggest items for next month's agenda.

The Clerk will re-submit the Hole Street/Water Lane speed limit reduction application.

20.15 Date of next meeting: Wednesday 18th November, 7pm.

The meeting closed at 19.43