WILPSHIRE PARISH COUNCIL

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Proceedings at a meeting held on 1 August 2018

Present: Cllrs C Ward (Chairman), J Bremner (Vice Chairman), A Lund, Julie Foote, A Gaffney, J Foote (7.34pm), D Briffett (7.55pm), Borough Councillor S Hirst

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| 4768 | Apologies for absence  An apology for absence was received from Cllr M Williams |  |
| 4769 | Procedure – code of conduct  Noted |  |
| 4770 | Item 10 was moved up the agenda  Special Planning and Development committee RVBC –  Cllr Hirst was successful in getting the committee to drop an increase (30 plus) in housing allocation on the HAL2 site at Wilpshire Banks at the planning meeting on 17th last week. An alternative site in Clitheroe was substituted.  There will be a consultation period starting at the end of July and it’s important WPC considers this and responds.    Cllr Hirst attended the meeting to update members.  WPC RESPONSE:  Regulation 22 – DED DPD  HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT CONSULTATION ON PROPOSED MAIN MODIFICATIONS – ADDITIONAL HOUSING SITES  Wilpshire Parish Council supports the decision of RVBC Planning Committee decision on 17th July 2018 to show preference to the inclusion of an additional allocation of housing to MM3-Site 13 Highmoor Farm in Clitheroe and to propose no increase beyond the residual housing numbers allocated to Site HAL2 Wilpshire within the Core Strategy to 2028. The HAL2 Site in Wilpshire is on a particularly steep site and already has problems with drainage across the gardens of residential properties, it has large electricity pylons on the Southern aspect of the site and is adjacent to an area of ancient natural woodland.The Highmoor site in Clitheroe has better access, highway safety, topography and residential amenities available than Wilpshire HAL2. |  |
| 4771 | Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on 20 June 2018.  The minutes of the meeting held on 20 June 2018 was agreed as a true record.  Proposed Cllr Gaffney Seconded Cllr Bremner |  |
| 4772 | Updates from previous minutes  Shropshire Drive resurfacing – LCC have informed Cllr Schofield it will be carried out between 20 – 22 February 2019  Min 4748 – RVBC in Bloom grant received for £50.00. Parish Champion Cllr Burrows LCC has awarded WPC £50.00 also.  Min 4766 – complaint sent to Royal Mail Enquiry Reference # 180727-000104  Min 4766 – Request for hidden dip sign Whalley Road,Wilpshire – request sent to District Lead Officer, LCC  Min 4762 – Snodworth – Cllr Gaffney asked if it was Ok to arrange for this path to be strimmed? The cost would be around £70 this would be from the PROW grant awarded to WPC from LCC the Council agreed to this.  Update from Cllr Schofield Road Surface – Hollowhead Lane – the Council felt that this was an urgent matter as the bottom part of the Lane was smooth and represented a danger of skidding especially if frosty or wet.  Land at the top of Hollowhead Close – Cllr Bremner recalled that RVBC had stopped chopping down the saplings on the area following challenges from residents. WPC would thank RVBC for the work done already but felt that the issue of the saplings needed revisiting to ascertain which saplings needed to come out.  Beaver Close – stile done out of PROW monies.  Flowers in triangle – flowers to be given to Mrs Halstead for watering the garden during the recent hot weather. | Clerk to send thanks to RVBC and ask RVBC to revisit the site re the saplings |
| 4773 | Accounts for approval  L Lund July & August Salary 2 x £452.14 x – tax £90.42 = £723.44  HMRC £180.84  Chris Walton C0003293 £464.40 – May visits  Chris Walton C0003308 £417.00 - June visits  HMRC £90.42  Web Design by Magic - £45.98 Web Hosting and Domain Renewal  RVBC – grant for Ribble Valley in Bloom received for £50.00 |  |
| 4774 | PLANNING APPLICATIONS SINCE THE LAST MEETING  3/2018/0643 Proposal: Proposed conversion and extensions to the former care home to create four dwellings at 10 Knowsley Road, Wilpshire.  WPC - No objection but would like to see a planting scheme to screen the parking area.  3/2018/0649 Demolition and replacement of existing dwelling at Glenetta, Parsonage Road, Wilpshire- WPC no objection |  |
| 4775 | Meetings attended by Councillors  PCLC 21st June 2108 Notes – Cllr Bremner  Review of Dog Initiatives  After a trial in Whalley, litter bins can be used for dog waste. Enforcement is by fixed penalty fines, now £100, which are being issued rather than prosecutions. Records are kept and reoffending is very rare. Offenders to remain anonymous – no public naming and shaming – but councils to be notified about numbers of fixed penalties issued. Dog Wardens available for 37hr/week Mon – Fri (incl unsocial hours) Message is to tackle the problem by education. An analogy was drawn to smoking. A limited supply of bags is available for Parish Councils to hand out to dog owners as needed (James Foote now has some)  Policing  It was acknowledged that that there had been justifiable complaints about the poor response to 101 calls. Administrative changes had been made resulting in better communication between call takers and responders.  There is a targeted approach to tackling crime so incidents need to be reported to the police so even though it might seem that nothing is being done it contributes to the overall picture and planning/investigations.  One target area is antisocial behaviour amongst young people (incl. drugs etc.) They are held in a children’s centre and their parents interviewed. Extra resources in Longridge esp. on Fri nights. Dogs have been used in licensed premises in Whalley & Clitheroe to address drug and alcohol problems.  Rural crime; there is a special vehicle to help combat wildlife crime incl firearms offences.  No reduction in neighbourhood policing in RV.  WW1 Commemorations. There is a list being drawn up and Parish Clerks are asked to add to it.  A59 Sabden Jct. Concern was raised about the disruption, including road closures, which will occur whilst the new roundabout is under construction. It is estimared that the work will take about 6 months. Pendle Rd will be closed with diversions from Sabden via Pendleton (but with no right turn directly onto A59 there). Negotiations are ongoing between LCC and the contractors as to how best to minimise inconvenience on the A59 itself.  Cllr Bremner was thanked for her report. |  |
| 4776 | Website  Look into a statistical counter and analysis for the past 12 months | Clerk |
| 4777 | Billington and Langho PC – joint initiative for asking for support for a 30mph limit on the 40mph limit on Whalley Road Wilpshire. After discussion WPC felt that it could not support the request for a 30mph in the 40mph section of the road as it felt that the present speed limit actually reinforced the 30mph limit at the end of the 40mph limit section of the A666 ie through the signage and made it clear to motorists. | Clerk to respond |
| 4778 | Trimming back of hedges adjoining public footpaths  The Chairman said that the Council should be careful about trimming back of hedges. Privately owned hedges overhanging public footpaths should be maintained by the householder ie to cut back and remove the clippings and not at the expense of public monies. | Note – to put information in the annual parish newsletter |
| 4779 | WW1 Commemoration – Decision deferred - agreed that this would be priced up and Cllr Gaffney would have a look for a suitable location and report back to the meeting on 19 September |  |
| 4780 | Xmas Tree scheme – agreed to run this again to businesses in Wilpshire to provide a tree. The lights needed to be mains lights and agreed warm white and should be on a timer. | Clerk to send letter to businesses |
| 4781 | Durham Road Play Area – outstanding works  Large gate between park and green area – Nailing of cross members -  Twin Toddler Swing – clean away dirt so matting lies flat  Dip where old goal posts – needs attention – Clerk to remind lengthsman  Brambles – lengthsman asked to keep them in check – Clerk to ask lengthsman  Field area access gate spring return ineffective – still to do |  |
| 4782 | Precept 19/20 – thoughts from PC to begin the Precept process – Cllr Bremner said that the figure should be kept within inflation. There was also a general agreement to limit any increase in precept and it was agreed that there was a need to build up a contingency fund (for DPRA in particular).  Clerk to supply initial figures to September meeting in order for councillors to begin the process. |  |
| 4783 | Next meeting – 19 September 2018 |  |
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