



WOOTTON and EAST HUNSBURY PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF MEETING FOR PARISH COUNCIL

Wednesday 19th January 2011

Present: Cllrs. Nunn, Gonzalez De Savage, Savage, Prescott, Bartley, Eldred, Patel, Rayner

1. Opening Procedures

- a. To receive and approve apologies for absence – It was resolved to approve apologies from Cllr Pickett, Collard, Gurney (Personal) Penny (holiday)
- b. Confirmation of [Minutes](#) from December 2010 – it was resolved to approve and sign the minutes as correct.
- c. Declarations of interest - none

2. Police and public session (15 minutes maximum)

Residents from Farmclose Road expressed their concerns surrounding parking over their entrances during school drop off and pick up times. It was resolved to consult with residents by sending a letter to gain feedback before a course of action was taken. It was also resolved to invite the Head mistress of Wootton Primary to the next Parish Council meeting, for feedback, on the actions agreed to be taken by the school, at a Planning & Environment meeting last year.

A resident requested that the Pocket Park notice board was repaired again. It was resolved to repair the notice board. This was discussed following the Parish Walk and a new location was requested to avoid future vandalism.

A resident-made parking area on Water Lane, near to the Zebra crossing was discussed. It was resolved to look into pricing matting to cover the area to allow grass to grow through.

The road surface on Clannell /Penvale Road has been causing problems since before Christmas. NCC apologised for the break up of the surface. The road is being regularly swept. The resurfacing will not take place until March because of the cold conditions. Temporary signs have been erected.

Sergeant Paul Beard was in attendance. The crime statistics in the area have declined dramatically with the exception of violent crime which increased by 8% relating to domestic incidence. Butts Road East Hunsbury has been the main focus. A survey highlighted the concerns of residence to be speeding cars and Youth nuisance. It transpires that the Youths involved are from Briar Hill and Far Cotton. This area and Danes Camp are being monitored by the SCT team and our own Youth operation.

Concerns were raised around Olympia Close – broken fences, antisocial behaviour being experienced particularly with houses backing onto the alley way. Broken glass was found on the car park adjacent to Chillis Restaurant.

The next area to be surveyed by the SCT team will be Overslade House – it was suggested that Barn Owl Close was surveyed.

3. **Parish Elections – promoting the election** – a discussion was held about the forthcoming elections. It was resolved to link into the “stand and deliver” initiative being ran by NCALC.
4. **Community Centre working party – update** – There had not been a meeting held.
5. **Finance:**
 - a. To approve the payments made in January 2011 – it was resolved to approve the payments as correct. It was resolved to review the telephone/mobile costs for the Parish operation.
 - b. To agree the budgets proposed for 2011/12 – it was resolved to approve the budget presented.
 - c. To agree the precept for 2011/12 – the precept was reviewed and it was resolved to precept upon Northampton Borough council £355,395.32 to be paid in two instalments in 2011.
6. **Administration and Service requests**

Land owned by David Wilson homes - next to the entrance of Preston Hedges school to be cut back.
A chase letter to be sent to AWA regarding the lagoon near Caroline Chilsolm school.
Bin outside Yeoman Meadow to be replaced
Weeds around fence and play equipment to be strimmed.
Triax boxes – letter to be sent for removal
Wi-Fi for area to be looked into and also broadband speed discussed as being slow.
7. **AOB** - none
8. **Date of Next meeting – Wednesday 16th February 2011 at East Hunsbury Library**

Signed

Date 12th January 2011