

Minutes of the Woolaston Parish Council Meeting  
Held on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2013 at 8.00pm  
at the Woolaston Memorial Hall

**1 Apologies for Absence**

Mary Greenslade  
Steve Reece  
David Storrar  
Andy Lord

**2 Declarations of Interest**

5.2.1 – David Harris

**3 Public Open Forum**

Pete Rogers – update on the Alistair Fraser appeal and report.

Mr and Mrs Lane – plans for development of their land at Severnview, land and house in the family for generations. The property was a commercial premises when Mr Lane's Grandfather was living there and then Mr Lane's parents took over the house and renovated it and now it has come to Mr and Mrs Lane. Currently only maintaining the property as they live in Solihull. Would like to turn the property back into a working entity. They maintained many of the old footings from various older buildings. Would like to build several holiday cottages to the rear of the property NOT on the paddock to the front. Main house, barn and outbuildings – add 3 buildings to compliment the rest, convert the barn and live in the house. Spoken to FoD and 'English Country Cottages' about the area in reference to holiday cottages and they see it as viable and worthy. Plan for; 2 and 3 bed two storey cottages. Maintaining some of the original features and characters of the building. Access – assumed driveway was part of the property. There is a visibility issue with the leylandii on the left as you leave the current access, currently there is nothing to force the owner to cut back the trees. Therefore the plan would be to enter from Swains field side (along the paddock) for the holiday cottages and the tarmac, existing, driveway which would offer access for emergency and waste vehicles. Seek permission across the parking area and through Swains Field. DH recommended they speak to the Memorial Hall Committee for access as

the land belongs to them and they would lose a much needed parking space. DH suggested they request a one way system coming in on the existing drive exiting on the proposed new drive.

#### **4 To confirm Minutes:**

4.1 Minutes confirmed and signed for The Parish Council Meeting of 14<sup>th</sup> November 2013

#### **5 Policing Issues**

Unmarked Oil tanker around the village and there has been diesel stolen in the village, Pck to mention to PCSO and Neighbourhood Watch

##### **5.2.1 Poor's Land**

As we are not a full council to agenda for February.

#### **5.3 Highways and Footpaths**

**5.3.1** The highways have been working on a rupp at the bottom of darken lane

**5.3.2** Reported defects – re-report Knight's Cottage.

**5.3.3** Netherend wall reported again still awaiting action from Two Rivers

**5.3.4** pebbled areas in Birchwood – still unresolved, no contact.

**5.3.5** footpaths; meeting in January, RS to attend to see what we can get from County to help clear paths, build bridges, stiles etc 'Local Paths Partnership'.

#### **5.4 Maintenance**

**5.4.1** correspondence from Georgia Hale in reference to the lack of dog waste bins on Severn View Road. Ask Merlin waste to quote for a bin to go at the end of the footpath and respond to Georgia to inform her of our action.

**5.4.2** Propose to add to current contract – ask R Cole how much it would cost to add on the three cuts and ask H Bendall to also quote.

#### **5.5 Churchyard and Cemetery**

5.5.1 Purchase of land to extend churchyard AL not here to update

5.5.2 Bier House the History Society told us the Bier may be in there. Pck to write to the PCC to ask for it to be emptied so we can see if it's there and to assess damage.

5.5.3 Tree maintenance – removal of suckers Pck to ask Mike Truman of 'Ask Mike' to carry out work. Antcipated cost of approximately £60.00

**5.6 Finance**

**5.6.1** Online banking forms signed by Chair and Vice Chair

**5.6.2** balance of accounts income £258 from burials

**5.7 To approve accounts; all accounts were approved without objection for the following:**

5.7.1 Merlin waste £23.76- approved

5.7.2 Henry Bendall £120.00 – approved

5.7.3 Christmas lights and tree – £80 approved

5.7.4 Salt for the bin – £17.97 approved

5.8 As above only planned expenditure is for GAPTC Parish Clerk training passed.

**6: To receive other correspondence posted on the Members portal:**

NHS consideration of the rurality of the area of yorkley GL154RS – letter	Agenda for Chartered Parishes Group December 2013 Meeting
Housing Newsletter December	Forest Health Forum
PROW letters and Q & A	

**7: Other matters – AOB**

7.1 Broadband in the village PCK to make contact in support

7.2 Henry Bendall correspondence – respond accordingly with facts confirmed from GAPTC.

7.3 Sandtump sign – report sign's fading currently reads 'um' to Highways for replacement.

**8: Urgent matters – none**

**9: Date for next meeting: Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2014**