

**The following are the minutes of a meeting  
of Great Wishford Parish Council  
on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

**Present**

Mr S Noble, Mr P Dewey and Mr G James, Ms J Blenkinsop and Mr T Phelps

The Chairman asked that the agenda be adapted so that councillors could listen to a representation from Mr Steven Black, South Newton Parish Councillor who had notified that he wished to speak to the council about future financial contributions of the Village Hall, as this was being discussed in South Newton in their January meeting. Plans have now been approved for the hall. It is understood that £250,000 is needed, of which about £80,000 has currently been raised.

This will be considered and addressed by the council in January.

**1. Apologies** Mrs S Chalk

**2. Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2021 were agreed and signed.

**3. Matters arising.**

a. Take one leave one

It is understood that cabinets for the 'Take One, Leave One' Scheme are being made, there has been no update. The churchwarden has been asked about positioning it on the church wall.

b. Planters at the entrances to the village

The CATG meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> October was attended by the Chairman and the Clerk to promote the positioning of planters at the three entrances to the village. The project was agreed to be in the Priority List and a site visit has been arranged for 8<sup>th</sup> December, with Kate Davey, Senior Engineer of the Traffic Engineering Team. The chairman and Mr Phelps will attend.

c. Bonham Close

Mrs. Chalk was attending the meeting about the bid for work on Bonham Close communal area whilst the Parish Council meeting was on. Mr. Phelps indicated that he was no longer in favour of this scheme as he believed it would involve the Parish Council in maintenance of the area after the work was completed. Mrs. Chalk called in briefly to say that the bid had been accepted and that it would not involve the Parish Council in maintenance, residents were committed to the upkeep of the planters in the area, anything else would remain the responsibility of Wiltshire Council.

d. The Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

The resolution to buy a mug for each child in the village was reversed as there were objections from two councillors unable to attend the previous meeting. They felt this was a costly and outdated suggestion. The money

involved will now be spent on the celebration of this event.  
As yet there are no suggestions of the form which this will take as the Church and the Oak Apple club will also be involved.

#### **4. County Councillor's Report- Cllr Kevin Daley**

There was no report

#### **5. Payment of Accounts**

PCC church hire.	20.00
Grasscutting	400.00
HMRC	61.20

It was resolved that the precept would remain the same for 2022/3, set at £4,500

#### **6. General Business**

The Clerk reported concern about the condition of trees on the banks at Station Road. Wiltshire Council has been informed and a tree Surgeon is to be sent to examine.

The broken bridge on the path to South Newton has also been reported.

#### **7. Any other Business**

- a. There were no objections to the work on the tree in the Rectory.
- b. Councillors were reminded about the sterling work on our website by Mr Tim Wilton, that the minutes, financial reports etc are available on the site along with local information kept up to date by Tim.
- c. In June 2022 the school will be celebrating its 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.
- d. Dog fouling on the pathway up to Ebsbury Hill is still a problem. The old noticeboard in the churchyard will be moved to that area so that reminders to dog walkers can be posted.  
A new notice board will be bought for the churchyard.
- e. A 20mph sign has fallen on the road to Grovely Cottages, there is still a hole in the concrete that needs filling.
- f. The West St sign is still missing. The Wiltshire App will again be informed.
- g. Positioning of a seat has been requested in memory of Joe Gotodoro of Grovely Cottages. This will be investigated.

#### **8. Date of next meeting: Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

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