

West Haddlesey Parish Meeting

Minutes of West Haddlesey Parish Meeting AGM held at The George & Dragon Public House, West Haddlesey

8th September 2008

1. Present

Tony Snowden (chair), Glen Williams (Vice Chair), Mark Asquith (Treasurer), Nikki Keep (Secretary) Mike Wetherell, Elizabeth Wetherell, Audrey Smith, Margaret Rollinson, Ken Mortimer, Barbara Mortimer, Tom Foster, Rob Wood

2. Apologies for Absence.

David Lister

3. Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes of the last meeting agreed by Elizabeth Wetherell and Margaret Rollinson.

4. Matters Arising

No matters arising that were not not already agenda items

5. Agenda Items

5. Wind Farm Update	Tony Snowden gave an overview of the current situation related to the propose wind farm. The anemometer was erected approximately 3 weeks ago to establish if we have the right sort of wind. Tony explained that the company already has some information from the Met Office. Tony explained that the consultancy company Northern Energy (NE) have asked for a meeting to allow the community to be informed about the process. A number of potential dates where discussed, it was decided that Thursday 9 th October would be a good date. Tony will contact NE and arrange this. Nikki explained she had recently been to a similar meeting held at Birkin and that there were areas around which the company will not discuss and that it would be useful for parishioners to have as much information prior to the meeting as possible to ensure questions could be collated prior to the meeting.
6. Update on Proposed Holiday	As of 10am today the status was still

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<p>Homes at Stone lea, West Haddlesey</p>	<p>in progress. The parish meeting have had no further communication from the planning department. Any further information will be made available as soon as we get it.</p>
<p>7. Election of Parish Meeting Members</p>	<p>Tony Snowden explained to the meeting that regrettably he was stepping down as Chairman. The meeting thanked him for his hard work over the last year.</p> <p>Glen Williams agreed and was proposed by Audrey Smith and seconded by Tom Foster to replace Tony as Chairman, Robert Wood stepped forward as another potential member and was duly proposed by Elizabeth Wetherell and seconded by Barbara Mortimer as Vice Chair, Robert will abstain from any discussion related to the wind farm as he has a conflict of interests, those present at the meeting agreed this as an appropriate response, Mark Asquith was re elected as Treasurer, proposed by Nikki Keep and seconded by Margaret Rollinson, Nikki Keep was re elected as Secretary being proposed by Mark Asquith and seconded by Elizabeth Wetherell.</p>
<p>8. Financial Statement for year ending 30th March 2008</p>	<p>The clerk gave a full explanation of the financial accounts for the year ending 30th March 2008.</p> <p>The meetings financial records and the annual audit have been internally audited by Mrs J Asqith.</p> <p>It was agreed that the precept should stay at the current rate £2000 for the next financial year.</p> <p>The statement of assurance for the audit commission, read out by the clerk, was agreed.</p>
<p>9. Dog Muck</p>	<p>As a number of residents have highlighted the increase in dog muck around the village the parish meeting have arranged for some dog muck bins to be installed one on Cow Flat Lane and one near the canal.</p>

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10. AOB

10.1 Financial Planning	A number of suggestions were made for future purchases by the Parish Meeting 1. A living Christmas Tree 2. New Christmas Lights 3. Additional Bulbs for the village 4. Additional Trees 5. New Bench(es) for the village
10.2 Painting the Railing at the park	Nikki reported that the railings at the park are in need of repainting. It was agreed that a newsletter would be produced to ask for help with repainting the railings and general autumn tidying of the village.
10.3 Flood Bank at Gateforth end of the village	Mike and Elizabeth Wetherell asked if the flood bank at the end of the village could be looked at. A number of suckers from the Cherry Trees have become so overgrown that this area can no longer be mown. It was agreed this could be incorporated into the Autumn tidy however Robert Wood would check with the environment agency as to what needs to be done as we don't want to destabilise the bank. Rob will feed back as soon as possible

11. The meeting closed at 9.45pm, Date and time of next meeting to be confirmed

Chairperson.....
Signed.....
Date.....