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**Minutes of a meeting of Wysall and Thorpe in the Glebe Parish Council held in Wysall Village Hall on Tuesday March 7th, 2023 at 7.15 pm**

*Councillors: Coun. Carolyn Birch (Chair), Coun. Lindsay Redfern (Vice Chair),* *Coun. Richard French, Coun. Catherine Heather,* *Coun. Martin Powell,* Coun. *Liz Smith,* Coun. Mike Stanley *and Coun. John Tomlinson*

*In attendance: Clerk Danielle Scott*

*Coun. Reg Adair and Coun. John Cottee*

**1] Apologies**

None.

**2] Minutes from previous meeting**

Agreed and signed.

**3 15-minute open session for members of the public**

None

**4]** **Declarations of interest**

None.

**5] Report from the District and County Council member**

Coun. Adair advised that it was his last meeting with Wysall & Thorpe Parish Council as he was standing down as a Borough Councillor. The council thanked him for his service and wished him well for the future.

Coun. Cottee stated that there had been no budgetary changes to report since the last meeting.

**6] Clerks report**

The clerk advised that Willoughby on the Wolds Parish Council had agreed to contribute half of the costs for the ILCA to CILCA course. The clerk hopes to begin the training in June. The clerk advised that she had received a report from a member of the public with regards to a damaged footpath bridge in Thorpe-in-the-Glebe. The clerk had escalated this to V.I.A. and they were in the process of repairing it.

**7] Correspondence**

* Information had been issued by Rushcliffe Borough Council about the upcoming elections.
* The Connect newsletter from the Police Crime Commissioner had been circulated.

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**8] Election**

The clerk outlined the protocol in the run up to the Election on May 4th and issued nomination forms to the councillors.

## 9] Planning

Town & Country Planning Act 1990, Section 211, Notice of Proposed Works to Trees in Wysall Conservation Area Reduce 2 Horse Chestnuts and 1 Sycamore by 2m at Wynhaven With reference to your notification dated 11.01.2023, the Borough Council does not propose to make a Tree Preservation Order in this instance and the proposed work may proceed.

Town & Country Planning Act 1990, Section 211, Notice of Proposed Works to Trees in Wysall Conservation Area Reduce Yew Tree by 30% to Previous Pruning Points at Wynhaven With reference to your notification dated 06.01.2023, the Borough Council does not propose to make a Tree Preservation Order in this instance and the proposed work may proceed.

**10] Village Hall**

The clerk advised that she had been unable to instruct Dyno to undertake the work to the village hall drains. Coun. Tomlinson will contact alternative companies.

The clerk advised that the county solicitor had been instructed with regards to the bouncy castle disclaimer and she was hoping to have a document to present to the council at the next meeting.

Coun. Stanley advised that he had obtained a quote to grind the tree stumps in the playground of £325 (+vat). The clerk will instruct the work to be carried out.

The clerk reported an increase in electricity costs for the village hall due to an increase in usage during a recent cold spell. They had however, benefited from a £150 Non-Domestic Alternative Fuel Payment from the government on their account.

## Meter readings were obtained and will be submitted by the clerk.

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**11] Environment**

The clerk advised she is awaiting an update on the partial rebate from the Borough Council for the replacement gate. She will contact Jane Baines for an update.

The clerk advised it was unlikely that they were going to receive any trees through the last Rushcliffe Borough Council tree scheme. She will apply again when the scheme re-opens.

Due to the costs involved, the council decided against purchasing a tree to commemorate the Queen. The clerk will add this item to the agenda for the next meeting.

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**12] Grants**

The deadline for the grant application for the FCC Communities Foundation was 5pm 8th March 2023. It was agreed to submit the grant for the upgrades to the village hall doors and windows only. The clerk was instructed to submit the grant application. The heating upgrades to the village hall required further discussion. The clerk will add this item to the April agenda.

The clerk reported that the Community Chest Fund from the Police Crime Commissioner was now open. Unfortunately, after contacting them it appeared unlikely that they would fund the suggested village gateway signs.

**13] Playground**

There was a meeting and site preview booked for 22nd March. The install of the play equipment is booked for 12th April.

Ben Percival had been allocated a sum of up to £500 for grass and topsoil to make good the ground around the playground. This will be reimbursed by the clerk.

**14] Parish Council Matters**

The council agreed to continue their membership of the Rushcliffe Community Voluntary Service (RCVS).

The council declined renewal of their membership of CPRE, The Countryside Charity.

The council declined to renew their listing on the Parish.UK network.

Coun. Birch will contact Emma Percival to see if there can be information displayed on the community Facebook page to show that it is not administrated by the parish council.

**15] Accounts to pay**

Agreed and signed.

**16] Next meeting 4th April 2023**

The council confirmed that the AGM on 16th May would begin at 7.15pm, followed by the ordinary meeting at 7.30pm.

Coun. Stanley addressed the council and advised that this would be his last meeting. He thanked the councillors for their hard work. The council in turn thanked Coun. Stanley for his efforts during his time on the council and for his handover to Coun. Tomlinson.

*The meeting closed at 9.15pm*

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Action Points

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| **Item Number** | **Action** | **Name** |
| 10 | Obtain quotes for drains at village hall | Coun. Tomlinson |
| 10 | Update from county solicitor | Clerk |
| 10 | Instruct work to tree stumps | Clerk |
| 10 | Submit meter readings to Bulb | Clerk |
| 11 | Update on gate grant | Clerk |
| 11 | Add tribute to the Queen to the April agenda | Clerk |
| 12 | Submit grant application to FCC | Clerk |
| 14 | Renew RCVS membership | Clerk |
| 14 | Cancel membership of CPRE | Clerk |
| 14 | Cancel listing on Parish.UK network | Clerk |
| 14 | Contact Emma Percival re: Facebook page | Coun. Birch |
| Cont… | Clerk to undertake ILCA to CILCA training | Clerk |
| Cont… | Discuss email changes with Stephen Reeds | Clerk |
| Cont… | Monitor Bulb account | Clerk |
| Cont… | Playground sign wording | Clerk |
| Cont… | Playground cleaning/maintenance for future agenda | Clerk |
| Cont… | Remove Mike Elliott from the Natwest account | Clerk |
| Cont… | Attend Town & Parish Forum | Clerk |
| Cont… | Additional Natwest acct when possible | Clerk |
| Cont… | Investigate council shared document platform. | Clerk |
| Cont… | Collate yearly checklist for councillors/clerk. | Clerk |