

# WISTOW CUM NEWTON HARCOURT PARISH MEETING

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## Minutes of the **Parish Meeting 15<sup>th</sup> November 2021** at **7.30pm**

Present: Richard Brooks, Raymond Bray, Graham Handsley, Roger & Margaret Jones, Jag Singh, Chandi Singh, Peter Thornton, Jo Mansfield, Martin Guiver, Andy Herbert, Pam Herbert, Mike, Brian Eales, Diane Taylor, Julie Guiver (chair), Celia Bates (clerk) and Fabienne Herbert (Treasurer).

**1. To receive and approve apologies for absence.**

Cllr James Hallam, Grahame Spendlove Mason, Catriona Scott, Joe Goddard, Judit Szabo and Keith Cooper.

**2. To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2021 (attached)**

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes be signed by the chairman as a correct record of the meeting.

**3. To note any matters arising from the minutes not included on this agenda for report only.**

Last Meeting John Chell was appointed Treasurer but due to work commitments couldn't fulfil the role so Fabienne Herbert has taken on the role.

**4. To receive and note the chairperson's report:**

- Condolences to Pat Clayton on the sad loss of Bob in July.
- Welcome to Fabienne as Treasurer and thanks also to Graham Handsley who continues to be a great advisor to us all!
- The Reading Room opened again in June this year. The Parish Meeting is waiting for a legal document called Confer of Powers which will allow the Parish Meeting to use some precept money to support the spending of the Reading Room on specific projects, if the Parish Meeting should agree such as the roof.
- Julie attended the HDC Parish Liaison event on 3 11 21
  - Climate Emergency Action Plan will soon be published.
  - Young People's Officer – James O'Connell. He is trying to find out thoughts, considerations, views or support towards developing a Youth Council setup.
  - The Community Safety Partnership reminded people that calling 999 is only if there is an immediate threat to life or property, 101 for non-emergency calls. Crimestoppers 0800 555 111 to report crimes and this can be done anonymously, also online. Action Fraud 0300 123 2040. Neighbourhoodlink.co.uk where you can sign up for regular updates and advice. Leics.police.uk – shows the team for Harborough North with contact details.
    - Health & Wellbeing strategy Proud of their success with Harboroughsport.co.uk is the website to find out what activities you can join in with
    - Platinum Jubilee –a great opportunity for a Jubilee committee of volunteers to form to organise a memorable day for the village. funds. Within the PM account there is a sum of £450. There could be a possibility that this could be put towards costs connected to a Jubilee event.
- FNH have two members wanting to step down after volunteering for many years, new volunteers wanted.
- Thank you to all the people who have given their time to help with any jobs around the village – These acts of kindness are what makes a community friendly and welcoming.

**Please see Chairperson's report attached.**

**RESOLVED:** That the chairperson's report be noted.

5. To receive and note the treasurer's report including the Precept Application.

£1000.00 precept was proposed for 2022/23.  
This was unanimously agreed.

**Please see Treasurer's report attached.**

**RESOLVED:** That the treasurer's report be noted.

6. To receive and note reports from village groups.

**Parochial Church Council (PCC): Report noted.**

**Women's Institute (WI):** the Newton Harcourt WI will meet at 10.30.am on the second Tuesday of each month in the Reading Room at Newton Harcourt **Report noted.**

**Green Team: Report noted.**

**Friends of Newton Harcourt (FNH):** would welcome new blood to help to maintain the community spirit. **Report noted.**

**Poor's Land Charity:** The Poor's Land AGM is to be held in December. **Report noted.**

Richard Brookes (Wistow Estate): The new retail buildings at Wistow are nearly complete. **Report noted**

**Ultrafast Broadband (UFBB)** We're still waiting to hear about when the exchange upgrade will commence.

**Please see reports attached.**

7. To note any planning applications and decisions since the last parish meeting.

All planning applications and decisions can be viewed at: Harborough District Council Planning.

<https://www.harborough.gov.uk/view-and-comment-on-planning-applications>

Report noted.

**Please see report attached.**

8. To consider any other business.

Clerk to e mail River and Canal Trust requesting maintenance to the canal footpath between Bridge 79 and 80. It becomes virtually impossible to walk on because it gets so muddy during the winter months.

Jag Singh and his daughter Chandi introduced themselves to the meeting and shared their future plans for their land on Wistow Rd, between Glen Rd and Bridge 78. They intend to, in the future, submit plans for a family home to be built.

9. Date of next meeting

.April 25<sup>th</sup> 2022, 7.30pm at the Reading Room.

