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The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 10th February 2010 at Wistanstow Village Hall commencing at 7.30pm

Present:
Mr J Morgan (Chairman)
Mr R Brown Mr D Bytheway
Mrs J Woodroffe Mr A W Millhouse
Mr S Minton-Beddoes Mr B Metcalf
Mr C E Williams (Clerk)
Members of the public were present

1. Apologies:
Apologies were received from Mr H Goodwin and Mr P Jones

2. Members of the Public/County Councillor:
a) A member of the public raised concerns about the condition of the footpath in the Closed Church Yard
b) There was concern about the overgrown hedges along the Old Rectory Orchard/Cobs bank Wistanstow.

3. Personal/Prejudicial Interest
Nil

4. Minutes
Parish Council approved the minutes of the meetings held on the 2nd December 2010, which were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

5. Matters arising from the Minutes:
The Clerk reported that Highways Agency had still not provided power supply to the speed activator sign at the Grove because a local landowner refused to allow the supply to cross the short distance from the transformer to the A49 verge. The Highways Agency have identified a power supply at the nearby junction with the A489, unfortunately they have to run the supply to the sign via an old footbridge over a river, and are currently working on a method that hangs the supply under the bridge without people or pollution dropping into the river.

6. Chairman's Communications:
The following correspondence had been received from Shropshire Council:
a) Shropshire Council – Shropshire Councils Charter
b) Shropshire Council – Future Consultation – Final Core Strategy – Consultation Period 15th February 2010 – 29th March 2010 and Site Allocations and Management of Development Documents – 15th February 2010 – 10th May 2010.
c) Shropshire Council – Maintaining High Quality Education Provision – Consultation Meetings – 10th March 2010 at Craven Arms Community Centre 7-9pm
d) Shropshire Council is aiming to inform and encourage even more members of the public to take advantage of the Shropshire Link Passenger Service for transport to and from the rural areas for details contact the Customer Service Centre 03456789068 or visit the website www.shropshire.gov.uk/traveltransport.nsf

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7. Street Lighting:
The Clerk reported that the light by the telephone kiosk opposite Wistanstow Church had repaired requiring a new lantern and a sleeve to the concrete column at a cost of £374.24 plus VAT.

8. Planning Items:
Planning application 10/00218/Ful –Erection of a two storey extensions and sunroom/orangery – Yew Tree Cottage 2 Horderly Dingle Horderly Craven Arms – Although the Parish Council could see no objection they were unable to make an observation due to the poorly submitted plans. The Clerk was asked to write to Shropshire Council about the quality of the plans.

9. Highway Items:
a) The Clerk was asked to report the following items:
i) Concern about the Bushmore Junction off the A49 where there had been a further accident, a further request be made to the highway agency for the extension of double lines to cover this junction.
ii) A request is made for the sweeping of the roadway running between Lower Dinchope and Strefford.
iii) Damage to the Peer on the Strefford side of the ford footbridge.
iv) Dangerous condition of the "Green Lane" which runs from Cheney Longville – Wistanstow
v) The Clerk to report to Rail Track the dangerous access to the railway through a gap in the hedge by Roman Road Junction with the A489.

10. Financial Items:
a) The Parish Councils bank balance at the 31st October 2009 was £8,202.73
b) The following accounts were approved for payment:
Bridgnorth and South Shropshire Crucial Crew – Grant - £40
Eon – Repairs to Light - £430.38
Npower – Lighting energy - £71.36
Wistanstow Village Hall – Contribution to Play Area - £552.62
Parish On-line – Mapping Software - £47.50

11. Report from outside Organisations:
a) Mr A Millhouse reported that the next the meeting of the Craven Arms and Rural Local Joint Committee will be held on Thursday 11th March 2010 at the Community Centre Craven Arms.
b) Mrs J Woodroffe reported that the village hall was awaiting the outcome of grant applications from Advantage West Midlands.
c) The next meeting of the South Shropshire Association of Parish and Town Councils will be held on the 15th February 2010 at which will be discussed the Shropshire Councils Charter, the restructure and new constitution for the Shropshire Association of Local Councillors.

12. Correspondence:
A letter had been received from Wistanstow PCC concerning repairs that were required to the Wistanstow Village Memorial Clock this will be on the agenda for the next meeting.
The National Association of Councils had issued a new model of Standing Orders these will be considered at the next meeting.

13. Next Meeting:
The next meeting will be held on the 10th March 2010

Chairman

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