

MINUTES OF THE WOOLPIT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 16 APRIL 2012 AT 7.00 P.M. IN WOOLPIT INSTITUTE

**Present:** Mr Wiley (Chairman), Mr Smith, Mr Jones, Mrs Cook, Mr Guyler, Mrs Parker and Mr Melvin.

1. **Apologies for absence** were received from Mr Lomax.

2. **To receive declarations of interest.** Mrs Cook declared a prejudicial interest in planning application 1201/12 at her property and signed the interest book.

3. **IN CAMERA To discuss Woolpit Diary and take any necessary action.**

It was agreed to look into a contract for the Editor and suitable financial recompense.

4. **To approve minutes of the meeting 5 March 2012.**

The minutes were approved and signed.

5. **Planning – to consider the following applications.**

**0905/12** Erection of single storey porch to front of existing property and erection of a detached garage. 2 Kiln Row, Old Stowmarket Road – object to the porch as a different size and style to others in the terrace and will be incongruous in the setting. It will also have a detrimental affect on the character and appearance of the area.

**1201/12** Eucalyptus – removal too tall for small garden. Crosse Cottage, The Street – support.

6. **To approve accounts for payment.**

Payments of £39.21 Mr K Harknett litter picking March, £181.10 Suffolk County Council March pension payment and £130.25 HM Revenue & Customs Tax and N/I January – March were ratified. Payments to Mrs L Grant £32.20 Jubilee horns, blowers and hats; Viking £73.44 stationery; SAL C £235.20 councillors training; SALC £617.00 subscription 2012/13; Mrs Fuller £128.48 expenses January-March; Woolpit Institute £260.00 Parish Room rent May to July; SPL Print £245.00 April/May Woolpit Diary and Smith of Derby £543.60 three year maintenance contract for church clock were unanimously approved and cheques issued.

7. **To receive a report on the Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations from the Steering Group and take any necessary action.**

St Johns Ambulance is providing first aid cover, risk assessment has been completed, entertainment is booked and a generous donation for a fireworks display has been gratefully accepted. Enough chairs and tables are now available. A response to the request for the street closure is still awaited. Mr Moore has requested that the Parish Council writes to the Queen to invite her to the celebrations. Cllrs do not wish to do so but a letter of loyal greetings and congratulations will be sent with a copy of the programme of events. *Action:the Clerk* The design for the china mugs showing the Blue Peter Jubilee sign on one side and Woolpit celebrates the Diamond Jubilee of H.M. Queen Elizabeth II 4 June 2012 on the other side was approved.

8. **To discuss the noticeboard at Borley Green and take any necessary action.**

A resident has requested that the board be removed as notices get blown off into their garden. Cllrs do not wish to take the board away from the area but will look at other alternatives.

9. **Date of the Annual Parish Council Meeting – Monday 21 May 2012.** Noted.

The meeting closed at 7.26 p.m.

Signed..... Dated.....