

**WHAPLODE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY 21<sup>st</sup> FEBRUARY 2018**  
**AT SARACENS HEAD VILLAGE HALL**

Present as per register.

Present; Dist Cllr Coupland, District Cllr Whirtbourne, and the Clerk

Apologies:

Cllrs Clay, Langstaffe, Clayton, County Cllr Pepper and the Police.

Public Forum:

There were no members of the public present.

Matters arising:

The minutes of the December meeting having been previously circulated were agreed there were no matters arising.

Police matters:

In the absence of the Police the Clerk read out an email report that confirmed there had been no incidents to report.

Finance Report:

The Clerk reported the following cheques for payment which members agreed,

101836 G Hawkes salary/expenses	£ 658.11
101837 HMRC	£ 171.85
101838 G Atkin Ltd	£ 1,150.00
101839 Anglian water	£ 244.95
101840 MGM	£ 672.00 vat £112.00

Balances:	High interest a/c	£ 69,799
	Business Prem	£ 23,363
	Current a/c	£ 11,128
	Less cheques	£ 2,896
	Balance	£101,394

The Clerk reported a letter from SHDC giving maps and full details of the grass cutting costs for all wards which Cllr Stafford will review.

The Clerk will enquire about the benefits of a water meter at the cemetery.

Date of next meeting:

The Clerk advised that the date for the next meeting was 11<sup>th</sup> April at Whaplode St Cathrine.

Planning applications,

The Clerk reported that applications had been dealt with as per annexed.

Members were advised that a SHDC meeting to discuss the traveler site at Whaplode St Catherine is now scheduled for 25<sup>th</sup> April – Cllr Chandler is due to speak.

**Allotments:**

The Clerk reported that the April demands will be sent in March.

**Star of India footpath:**

The Clerk has spoken to Mossop & Bowser.

**Highway matters:**

Whaplode village – no issues.

Saracens Head – no issues

Whaplode St Catherines – no report.

Whaplode Drove – Drove members will attend the Highways visit to the ward and the Cubitt meeting re speeding issues.

Interactive traffic indicators:

The Clerk reported that he had received a pro forma invoice for a new data logging SID and two new brackets, the fee for fixing needs to be removed so an invoice can be issued. Cllrs Stafford and Barlow agreed to attach the fixing bracket.

Community speed watch - the clerk has circulated the details of the scheme to Councillors and will register an interest.

**Whaplode playing field:**

Two grant applications have been made for play equipment for toddlers.

**Whaplode sculptures:**

No further update but Mr Hoyes has been doing repairs.

**The Elizabethan Centre:**

Cllr Mackman reported that funds need to be raised to improve the car park and Cllrs advised that a formal request should come forward.

**General correspondence & general business:**

Dist Cllr Whitbourne advised that she is working on a project with local schools to design new village signs.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.10

Chairman