

**MINUTES OF THE WHAPLODE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT  
WHAPLODE ST CATHERINES VILLAGE HALL  
ON WEDNESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2021**

**Present;** Cllrs Stafford, Allan Beal, Sally Beal, Mackman and Stancer, and the Clerk.

**Apologies:**

Cllrs Barlow, Merchant, Stimson, Langstaff, Clay, and County Cllr Pepper.

**Public Forum:**

No public members present, Mark Forth had been invited to attend but did not appear.

**Minutes and Matters arising:**

The minutes of the August meeting had been previously circulated and were signed by the Chairman, as a true record. There were no matters arising.

**Finance Report:**

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

G Hawkes salary/expenses	£	344.00
HMRC	£	84.80
Whaplode swimming pool fund	£	2,000.00

Balances:	Business Prem	£	60,367
	Current a/c	£	4,403
	Less cheques	£	2,424
	Balance	£	62,286

**Date of next meeting:**

The date for the next full parish meeting is the 10<sup>th</sup> November at Saracens head There will also be a finance meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> October.

**Planning applications.**

The Clerk reported that applications had been dealt with as per annexed and circulated to members. The Saracens Head application had been the subject of a public meeting organized by Cllr Langstaff, to gauge any interest in making a community asset application.

**Allotments;**

The Clerk advised that Hix & Co were progressing completion of the Farm Business Tenancies. Cllr Merchant is obtaining costings for the Whaplode garden allotment scheme.

**Star of India footpath:**

The Clerk reported that he would action and this item will remain on the agenda until completed.

**Whaplode cemetery report by Clerk:**

Cllr Stafford advised that the extension part will be sprayed with weedkiller then reseeded. M Goose has been asked to quote for the remaining tree work.

**Highway matters:**

Whaplode St Cathrines – no issues

Saracens Head – no issues

Whaplode – Highways are to completely resurface the High Road, an Archer report will be completed a local survey over a 12 hour period measured 1,000 vehicle movements per hour.

Whaplode Drove – Cllr Mackman will report the pot holes in Whale Drove on fix my street.

**Whaplode Playing Field:**

There had been some instances of vandalism and anti social behaviour which will be reported to the PCSO and area constable.

**Community speed watch:**

Following training none of the attendees had contacted the Clerk.

**Whaplode Drove Community centre lease agreement:**

The Clerk reported that he has a copy of the expired lease agreement and members agreed unanimously for a new agreement to be drawn up by Mossop & Bowser on the existing terms.

**Whaplode swimming pool committee:**

The Clerk reported that he had received an email from the committee Chairman advising that the fundraising had totalled £8,000 towards a target of £10,000 and a further £1,000 had been spent on new benches. The Chairman proposed and Cllr Beal seconded a proposal to donate £2,000 which members agreed.

**Correspondence:**

Cllr Stafford reported that a bench in the cemetery need to be moved. There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.10pm.

Chairman

