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MINUTES of a Meeting of Wellington Heath Parish Council held in The Peter Garnett Room, Memorial Hall, Wellington Heath on Tuesday, 27th October 2009 at 7.30pm.

PRESENT – P. Adams (in the Chair –PA) R. Hurley (RH) H. Ransome-Williams (HRW) & W. Hill (WH).

APOLOGIES for inability to attend the meeting were received and approved from J. Harrisson and J. Jones.

- **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** in items on the Agenda – None received.

MINUTES – The Minutes of the Meeting held on 29th September 2009 were approved and signed by the Chairman subject to one slight amendment.

PROGRESS REPORT –

SIGNS/SIGNAGE – Nothing further to report.

SAFE WALKING FOOTWAY INTO LEDBURY – The Chairman advised nothing further to report due to personal reasons, but agreed to contact Ledbury Town Council to arrange meeting.

SIGNS FOR HGVs at Floyds Lane – Despite further pressure, Clerk advised nothing further to report.

P3 Scheme – RH advised meeting of the Committee will take place later this week, but further work had continued to be carried out.

Area of land owned by Mr. Cobb – As Jenny Jones not in attendance, nothing further to report.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION –

Finance Meeting – Meeting agreed for 9th November to set Budget and level of Precept for 2010/11.

Hedges in Parish – Many have now been cut back and are in good order. Clerk to write Mr. Taylor with regard to hedge in Ochre Hill. Many of the footpaths are now in good order.

Dr's appointments & local bus service – Report received that some residents were experiencing problems attending Ledbury Surgeries as the local bus did not pick up until 10.30., and the Dr's advised that there are no appointments after this time. It was agreed the Chairman would speak to both Practice Manager's in Ledbury Doctors in the first instance to see if some agreement could be reached to solve this problem.

NEWSLETTER – RH advised latest edition had been distributed and HRW proposed a vote of thanks to RH for the excellent appearance and content of the Newsletter.

FINANCIAL MATTERS –

The Clerk circulated a list of expenditure to the 30th September 2009 against the budget for 2009/10 with a note of balances remaining and available for expenditure to the end of the financial year.

The following Accounts had been received for payment -

- Lengthsman – £100.00.
- Ledbury Fencing at Pool Piece £50.00.
- Clerk – salary £235.86.
- Clerk – underpayment for 2007/08 £142.00.
- Eileen Pattison, printing Newsletter £195.00.

On a proposal by PA, seconded by HRW and carried, cheques were signed.

In view of the balances in hand, it was agreed RH would ask the Tree Warden to tidy up the frontage of Little Pleck and also advise him limited funds were available if he felt the need for some expenditure to help with the ongoing work.

MEMORIAL HALL REPORT – The Chairman reported that the Committee were looking at prices for the container and also that two very successful evenings had been held at the Hall.

Report on LETS – WH advised that no formal Report would be available until after the AGM when the decision would be made regarding the future of the LETS Scheme.

CORRESPONDENCE -

- Letter – regarding Precept for 2010/11.
- Letter – from Jemima and David Webb, new owners of Squatters Cottage, reporting on their hopes for the future of the cottage. Clerk to reply and advise them of the new resident's party on 5th December in the Memorial Hall.

LITERATURE – Report from Festival Housing and availability of some training by HALC. Clerk to let RH have letter regarding the adoption of the telephone kiosk on The Common to enable him to look into the proposal in more detail, particularly in view of the considerable additional expense involved as ascertained by the Clerk.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING – Phone box, LETS, approve Budget/Precept recommendations, Mr. Cobb's land, Transition Village/Town, The Pleck, Bench/seats around the Village, Hedges, Dr's appointments in conjunction with the local bus service, the welcome party and ongoing report on various outstanding issues.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.50pm.

Signed - P. Adams Dated – 24th November 2009

Chairman.