## MINUTES OF WILSFORD PARISH COUNCIL CLOSED PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY $10^{\text{TH}}$ DECEMBER 2024 IN THE SMALL ROOM OF THE VILLAGE HALL.

**Present:** Cllr Sirs (Chair)

Cllrs Blankley, Harrison, Reseigh, Corner, Brickles and

Miller(7.50pm)

**In Attendance:** Denise Gascoyne Parish Clerk

- **1.Chair's Welcome.** The Chair welcomed everyone to this closed meeting to set the Precept.
- 2.Apologies for absence. Cllr Miller would be late.
- **3.Declarations of Interest.** Cllr Sirs signed the Dispensation Form so he could discuss village hall affairs.
- **4.To approve and accept as a true record** the notes of the meeting held on 12 November 2024 as a true record. It was proposed, seconded and

**Resolved:** to accept the notes of the meeting held on 12 November 2024 as a true record and these were signed by the Chair.

## 5. Finance.

a. The Bank Reconciliations and Bank Statements to 30 November 2024 had been circulated to all Cllrs. It was proposed, seconded and

**Resolved:** to accept the Bank Reconciliations and Bank Statements and these were signed by the Chair.

b. The Approval List for BACS Payments had been circulated to all Cllrs. It was proposed, seconded and

**Resolved:** to accept the Approval List and authorise the Clerk to make the following payments.

Mr Colin Ward	News and Views	£115.00
Wilsford Village Hall	Hire Charges	£16.00
Wilsford Village Hall	Mobile Library Visit	28.00
Prowebs	Anti-Virus and support	£40.00
A Walton	Handyman	GDPR
D Gascoyne	Clerk	GDPR

- c. Applications for funding had been received for the following
  - Wilsford village hall partial payments of fridge £80.00
  - Christmas tree £50.00
  - Fireworks £300.00
  - News and views £1386.00
  - St Mary's Church Council Cemetery Grass £700.00

After a short discussion, it was proposed, seconded and

**Resolved:** to fund the above and monies would be paid over after the Precept has been received in April 2025.

d. Two quotations had been received for the grass cutting in Wilsford. After a short discussion, it was proposed, seconded and

**Resolved:** to award the contract to CB Ground Maintenance.

Cllrs discussed each budget line individually.

There was an underspend on donations not used this year. It was proposed, seconded and

**Resolved:** to carry the underspend forward to this financial year.

The computer may need to be replaced when Windows 10 is no longer supported. It was proposed, seconded and

**Resolved:** to wait until October 2025 when Windows 10 is no longer supported before making a decision.

It had been suggested that parish councils should change to a gov.uk email and there was a grant of £100 available towards the cost. Cllr Sirs had attended the webinar and said this was not mandatory at this time and 85% of the grant money had already been distributed. It was proposed, seconded and

**Resolved:** to leave things as they were until the domain was up for renewal.

The Precept had not been increased for a number of years and in light of continuing rising costs it was suggested we increase the Precept by 3% to £18540.00. After a lengthy discussion, it was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: to increase the Precept to £18540 for financial year 20254/2026.

## 6. Date of Next Meeting:

a. The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 14 January 2025 at 7.00pm in the small room of the village hall.

There being no further business the Chair wished everyone a Happy Christmas and closed the meeting at 8.10pm

Signed ...... Chair Wilsford Parish Council 14 January 2025

It is important to understand that the information given above represents notes of the meeting which took place in the small room of the village hall on 10 December 2024 and do not become minutes of Wilsford Parish Council until accepted or otherwise at the meeting.