Minutes of a Precept Meeting of Whaddon Parish Council held on 23rd January 2012 at 8.00p.m. at Ermine Farm, Bridge Street, Whaddon, Nr Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5SN.

Present:        Chair        Mrs M Peyton
                Councillors  Mrs K French, Mr L Ginger, Mrs J Lewis (from 8.30p.m),
                          Mr P Neale, Mr C Rose
                Parish Clerk Mrs G van Poortvliet

1.0  **Apologies for Absence** – none received. Cllr N Strudwick has been granted a leave of absence until May 2012. Advance notice of late arrival received from Cllr J Lewis.

2.0  **Discussion and agreement of parish running costs for 2012/13** – the forecast parish administration costs prepared by the Clerk were discussed. **Agreed:** that a parish administration cost of £13,450 be budgeted for 2012/13 (2011/12 £12,097).

3.0  **Discussion and agreement of additional expenditure for 2012/13** – **Agreed:** that the following additional expenditure be budgeted for 2012/13:

- Donation of new window for Village Hall £2,000
- Donation for improvements of facilities at recreation ground (benches/tables etc) £400
- Tree surgery for Parish Council owned trees on Bridge Street verges £250
- Olympics/Diamond Jubilee Celebrations £750
- Total additional expenditure £3,400

4.0  **Agreement of 2012/13 precept** – **Resolved:** that, after taking into account anticipated income, the 2012/13 precept be set at £16,200 (2011/12 £15,950). **Action:** the Clerk to write to SCDC informing them of the 2012/13 precept.

5.0  **Items for next meeting** – requests were received for the following items to be put on the agenda for the next Parish Council (PC) meeting:

- Village speed limit – revoking of the 40mph speed limit.
- PPP3 grant – request for footpath renovation work (footpath 9).

**Action:** the Clerk to table agenda items for the next PC meeting.

6.0  **Date of next PC meeting (13th February 2012)**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.40 pm