Minutes of a Precept Meeting of Whaddon Parish Council held on 23<sup>rd</sup> 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. <u>Agreed:</u> 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** <u>Agreed:</u> 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 (13<sup>th</sup> February 2012)

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.40 pm