

WICKHAM ST PAULS PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WICKHAM ST PAULS PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 24th July 2018, AT 7.30pm IN THE PAVILLION, OF THE VILLAGE HALL

In the Chair: Cllr. D. Stokes
Present Cllrs: Cllr. M. Cooper, Cllr. A. Johnstone, Cllr. P. Nuttall, Cllr. B. Trew
Clerk: Mrs D. Jacob
Also, present: Five members of the public

18/093 Welcome and Apologies for Absence.

Chairman welcomed everyone, apologies for absence received from District Cllr. W. Scattergood.

18/094 Declaration of Interests.

Received from Cllr. D. Stokes and Cllr. M. Cooper regarding item 18/101 on the agenda.

18/095 Public Participation Session with respect to items on the agenda and other matters that are of mutual interest. A member of the public handed a full, two-page written report regarding the pound outside the village hall, to the Chairman. This item to be discussed under 18/ 110 on the agenda.

A member of the public spoke about the firework committee and confirmed that it had funds for the Parish Council to take control of.

18/096 District and County Councillors to address the members if present.

County Cllr. David Finch updated members on financial surplus that ECC have which has been allocated for potholes schemes, to improve verge cutting and litter picking. Update regard the Western By-Pass, a 6,000 named petition had been issued to Suffolk County Council against the proposal. More meetings likely to take place in the future regarding this issue, updates can be found at <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/transportplanning/consultations-and-studies/>

18/097 Minutes.

Item 1. To confirm the minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 29th May 2018.

Item 2. To confirm the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 29th May 2018.

Item 3. To confirm the minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council meeting held on 11th June 2018.

Proposed by Cllr. A. Johnstone, seconded by Cllr. B. Trew, all in favour, resolution passed.

18/098 Adopted Policy.

Cllr. P. Nuttall signed Standing Orders.

18/099 Planning Matters.

Ref: 18/01107/FUL & 18/01108/LBC

Shellards Barn Shellards Lane Wickham St Paul Essex CO9 2PP

Two bay cart lodge

No Objection – subject to the following conditions. If not, this could lead to a Serious Environmental Impact.

The Parish Council would like to point out that the proposed cart lodge will be adjacent to a pond on the Shellards Barn site, which is connected to the village pond by a ditch. The ditch needs to be kept cleared to allow water to overflow from the village pond to the Shellards pond and then on across the fields. When the Shellards Barn ditch and pond are clogged, the water backs up and causes Shellards Lane to flood. It may even cause the site of the proposed structures to flood if the link across the fields is not working.

We recommend that BDC consider proposing that a fully working drainage, including the early clearing of the ditch and pond on the Shellards Barn property and its proper maintenance, are included as conditions of completion on the proposed cart lodge plans.

Proposed by Cllr. A. Johnstone, seconded by Cllr. M. Cooper, all in favour, resolution passed.

Signed (Chairman).....

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18/100 Village Hall Report.

Bookings remain steady with a wedding planned in August, boosting funds.

The Village Clock had a problem that caused it to stop, this has now been solved and it is functioning well and accurately. The floor has been finished and comments seem to be favourable we now need to look after it and avoid stiletto heels. The next working party to paint the hall will be announced shortly after a picture rail has been fitted. Quiz and race nights planned to boost funds.

18/101 Firework Committee.

Control will be by a sub-committee of the Parish Council comprising of Cllr. M. Cooper, Cllr. D. Stokes, and residents Mrs Tina Humphreys and Peter Trew. The monies will also be ring fenced. Cllr.M. Cooper to prepare a risk assessment to be presented to the Parish Council Insurers to ensure correct insurance cover is in place.

Proposed by Cllr. A. Johnstone, seconded by Cllr. B. Trew, all in favour, resolution passed.

18/102 Village Maintenance.

Whilst some maintenance has been carried out in the village, this item remains ongoing.

To ask Maestro Tree Services to cut back the trees near the bus shelter, opposite the Victory Inn.

Proposed by Cllr. M. Cooper, seconded by Cllr. P. Nuttall, all in favour, resolution passed.

18/103 Play Area.

Due to the hot weather conditions and the ground being so hard, installation of the first phase will now be on Friday 27th July. To confirm that the Clerk has applied to BDC for the release of S106 funding.

18/104 Parking in the Village.

Church Lane, near "Greenfields" Cottage is an issue. To contact Highways with a view to extending back the verge and installing permanent parking spaces with white lines.

18/105 Village of the Year 2018.

The Parish Council did apply but unfortunately did not get through to the second round – a project is required for next year – It was suggested by Cllr. B. Trew that may be a footpath Nature Trail, this item to be on next agenda.

18/106 Churchyard of the Year 2018.

The Parish Council did apply but did not get through to the first round – due to seeds and bulbs not growing owing to the weather – next year to re-enter – the Parish Council would still maintain this area as a conservation area.

18/107 Christmas Tree Lights.

It was agreed to purchase new bright LED lights, for the Christmas tree, up to a maximum cost of £150.00

Proposed by Cllr. B. Trew, seconded by Cllr. P. Nuttall, all in favour, resolution passed.

18/108 Bench.

Clerk to enquire from Highways for a Licence to install street furniture. Further information required, this item to be on next agenda.

18/109 Rospa Play Safety Reports.

The reports were considered and noted.

18/110 Main Pond.

To ask Maestro Tree Services to cut back some brambles and general tidy up of the pond outside the village hall. No lifebelt report from Rospa required next year, only Village Green Report.

Proposed by Cllr. D. Stokes, seconded by Cllr, M.Cooper, all in favour, resolution passed.

18/111 Financial Matters.

- 1) Financial Statement for June/July (Items to be approved for payment and signed as per payment schedule).

	CHEQUE No	TOTAL
D. Jacob (Salary for June including office rent)	SO	446.43
HM Revenue & Customs (For June)	002062	48.20
D. Jacob (Expenses for April/May/June/July)	002063	32.40
RCCE Membership Renewal	002064	52.80
Playsafety Ltd Inv No. 35986 Rospa (Inspection of equipment & ponds)	002065	349.80
James Todd & Co Inv.28613, 28656	002066	60.00
Anglia Trophy & Badge Co.Inv.No 4844	002067	55.50
D. Jacob (Salary for July including office rent)	SO	446.43
HM Revenue & Customs (For July)	002068	48.20

Proposed by Cllr. A. Johnstone, seconded by Cllr. B. Trew, all in favour, resolution passed.

- 2) Budget Statement was received and noted.

18/112 Items for next agenda.

Footpath Nature Trail

Play Area update and to consider phase 2

Village Pump – update

Derelict Cottages off Church Road and Shellards Cottage

Parking in the Village - update

EALC Funding for a handyman

Trees around bus shelter near the Victory Inn

18/113 Date of Next Meeting.

Parish Council Meeting Tuesday 25th September 2018 (7.30pm).

Meeting Closed at 8.55pm

Signed (Chairman).....

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