

WICKHAM ST PAUL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WICKHAM ST PAUL PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 22ND
NOVEMBER 2016 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30PM.

MINUTES

Present: Councillors: Mrs R Hood, , Ms P Nuttall & Mr D Stokes

In the Chair: Cllr: Mr S Handley.

Clerk: Lynn Exley.

Residents: 10 residents.

2016.143 WELCOME BY THE CHAIRMAN.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2016.144 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies were received from Cllrs: Mrs E Lambert & Mr M Cooper.
District Cllr: Mrs W Scattergood & Cllr: Mr D Finch.

2016.145 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

To receive any 'Discloseable Pecuniary' Other Pecuniary or Non – Pecuniary interests relating to items on the agenda.

Cllr Mrs P Nuttall declared a Pecuniary interest for item 2016.152.

Cllr: Mr D Stokes declared a non- Pecuniary interest for item 2016.152.

2016.146 MINUTES OF THE MEETING 3RD NOVEMBER 2016.

The minutes of the meeting of 3rd November 2016 were signed as a true record of events by the Chairman.

Proposed: Cllr: Mrs R Hood. Seconded: Cllr: Mr D Stokes.

2016.147 NEW COUNCILLOR.

Pamela Nuttall has decided to become a Councillor for Wickham St Paul Parish Council. She signed and agreed to abide by the Code of Conduct, and also agreed to receive the council summons and agenda electronically.

2016.148 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORTS.

Cllr: Mrs W Scattergood was not at the meeting but asked for the following to be reported at the meeting: Quote:-

I confirm that we did not put the site WISP420 into the draft plan.

As you are aware there is a planning application with BDC for 6 houses application 16/01719/OUT on the site. The comments from the Parish Council are very helpful for members of the planning committee and planning officers. If it is decided that the application should be heard by the committee may I urge the Parish Council to send a member to the meeting to speak. Members take more notice of objections from Parish Councils if they attend and reiterate their objections.

Site WISP 619 was included in the draft local plan but only the part of the site that is classed as brown field.



2016.149 FINANCE.

2016.60	Poundstretcher	Files	£3.99
2016.61	Tesco	Paper	£3.25
2016.62	L Exley	Salary	£406.28
2016.63	Sudbury Office Supplies	Ink	£23.17
2016.64	VHMC	Donation to Village Hall	£10,500.00
2016.65	Acumen	Wage service	£24.00
2016.66	VHMC	Hire of hall 20/9/16	£10.00
2016.67	Currys PC World	Laptop, printer, paid through the Transparency Fund	£783.98
2016.68	Sudbury Office Supplies	Stationery	£10.91
2016.69	Health and Safety signs	Plastic signs	£4.55
2016.70	Dyson online	Plastic signs	£7.95
2016.71	G Weavers	Grass cutting	£80.00
2016.72	Homebase	Teak oil for seat in chapel site.	£9.99
2016.73	L Exley	Oct Salary	£406.28
2016.74	Acumen	Wage service	£24.00
2016.75	Sudbury Office Supplies	Photocopies	£12.13
2016.76	Sudbury Office Supplies	Stationery	£39.56

Monies in.

Nat West Interest	£0.69
Nat West Interest	£1.11
Nat West Interest	£0.61
Nat West Interest	£1.07
Nat West Interest	£0.66
Nat West Interest	£1.19
Nat West Interest	£1.22
EALC Transparency Fund	£589.00
Nat West Interest	£0.70
Nat West Interest	£0.98

2016.150 TRANSPARENCY FUND.

The Parish Council was given £589.00 before VAT (£706.80 including VAT) under the Transparency fund to purchase a computer, printer, software etc. The Parish Council claim back VAT.

The total was £653.32 plus VAT of £130.66 totalling £783.98. Only £64.32 was spent out of the PC money £77.18 including VAT, this included taking out a two year warranty and set up fee.

2016.151 PRECEPT.

The budget approved by Braintree District Council in February 2016 included the phasing out of the Localism Fund by 2019/20, commensurate with the Councils



expected receipt of Revenue Support Grant from the Government. It was agreed that the amount of payment for 2016/17 would be reduced by one third in each of the three subsequent years.

Based on our 2016/17 payment of £1121.00, the Localism fund for the following three years will be: 2017/18 £747, 2018/19 £373, 2019/20 £0.

The Councillors unanimously agreed to keep the precept the same as last year.

Proposed: Cllr: Mr D Stokes. Seconded: Cllr: Mrs R Hood.

2016.152 VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.

Councillor Mr M Cooper is the new Chairman, Councillor Ms Pam Nuttall is the new treasurer of the Village Hall and Cllr: Mr D Stokes is a representative for the village.

2016.153 VILLAGE GREEN.

a. WEDDING MARQUEE ON 9th SEPTEMBER 2017.

The Village hall has been booked on 9th September 2017 by Barry Young from West Mersea and Jade Barton from Braintree for their wedding. They asked for a marquee on the Village Green from Friday afternoon until Sunday 10th September 2017. The Marquee will erected in the same location as this year.

Their guests are approx. 80.

The Marquee is from Able Marquees.

They have Public Liability/event insurance and they will also in February 2017 be applying for a Temporary Event Notice which will allow them to operate the bar.

Proposed: Cllr: Mrs P Nuttall. Seconded: Cllr: Mrs R Hood.

b. DOG WASTE BINS.

We have two concerns about dog fouling/dog waste bins.

Firstly, there is a reported problem with dog fouling along the public footpath off Church Road south of the village. We have now put up several warning notices and have also looked into the possibility of installing a dog-waste bin at the start of the footpath. A meeting has been arranged with Richard Bass of BDC (01376 551414 ext 3316) and Cllr Mr D Stokes for Tuesday 29th November at 10am to look at the location.

The second issue is the use of the litter bin that is fixed on the bus shelter wall on Church Road. Complaints have been received that the bin is also used for dog waste and that in the hot weather it smells. Again, this will be discussed with Richard Bass as to what can be done and if there are any cost implications.

c. HORSE RIDING NOTICES.

We have had concerns raised about motorists not being aware of horse traffic on the village roads. A request has been submitted to Highways (8th November 2016) along with a plan of the village showing bridleways and common routes for the riders, for warning signage. Awaiting a further response from Highways.

d. VILLAGE HALL POND DREDGING AND TREES.

Dredging of the pond will need to be rescheduled for next September or if the pond is dry enough, next summer. The trees and shrubs, which now have grown back, need trimming again and one quote has been requested and if this is in the excess of our £200.00 limit, then two others contractors will be invited to tender.



2016.154 BANK OF THE POND BY SHELLARDS LANE.

Cllr: Mr D Stokes is to look at what needs doing and he will produce a specification and put out to tender.

2016.155 KERBING AROUND THE VILLAGE GREEN.

We now have two quotes for the work with similar specifications.

The work is for 43mtr granite type kerb for The Green and a 32mtr precast concrete kerb for the stretch of road on Church Road opposite the bus shelter, which was also suffering erosion.

The costs were £6425.00 and £3369.00 respectively from Wiles Construction. The Linear rate being £149 and £105 per metre.

A second quote from Mortimers were £4700.00 and £3500.00 respectively.

The linear rate being £109 per metre.

The Councillors are to arrange a site meeting.

2016.156 CRICKET CLUB.

The Cricket Club has a water supply at the village greens edge, and at present they run a heavy pipe reel to get the water to the square, but this takes time and so is not performed as often as they require. So they have asked the Parish Council if they could extend the underground pipe from the current supply to the corner of the green to allow quick access to water, so they would like to cut a slot (approx. 100m/m) to provide this access. This work will be done by members of the club and therefore, will be subject to their insurance cover.

Proposed: Cllr: Ms P Nuttall. Seconded: Cllr: Mrs R Hood.

2016.157 HERRINGTON TRUST.

Please see report by Eddie Morley.

2016.158 XMAS TREE.

Our xmas tree has kindly been donated again by Vernon Nott of Twinstead and will be adorned with over 1000 lights and a star. The tree will be collected on the 3rd December and put up the same day.

Anyone would like to join in and help, it would be much appreciated. Please contact Cllr: Mr D Stokes for further information on 01787 269284.

The flag pole will be removed to George Wybrows until next year. We aim to have the switch on Sunday 4th December 2016. Vernons donated tree will save the parish around £200.00 in the cost of not having to buy one.

2016.159 PLANNING.

APPLICATION NO: 16/01843/FUL

DESCRIPTION: Construction of new access and parking to the front entrance.

LOCATION: Netherhouse Farm, Old Road, CO9 2PU.

THE Councillors had no objects to this planning application.

Proposed: Cllr: Mr D Stokes. Seconded: Cllr: Mrs R Hood.

AWAITING DETERMINATION.

APPLICATION NO: 16/00910/FUL



DESCRIPTION: Application to remove the requirement of an existing planning obligation which restricts the residential occupation of the premises solely to a person or persons employed in or directly connected with the Veterinary Clinic.
LOCATION: Catley Cross Stables, Wickham St Paul.

APPLICATION NO: 16/01719/OUT

LOCATION: Land west of Church Road, Wickham St Paul

DESCRIPTION: Erection of 6 dwellings.

2016.160 AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING.

Please note that no decisions can be lawfully made under this item, LGA 12 10 (2) (b) states that business must be specified therefore the council cannot lawfully raise matters for decision.

- a. Additional playground equipment on the village green
- b. Wickham St Paul welcome and information pack for new residents.

2016.161 DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 24th January 2017.

2016.162 CLOSURE.

The meeting closed at 8.35 pm. The Chairman thanked everyone for attending.

SIGNED



DATED

24/01/2017