

**WIX PARISH COUNCIL** 

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Minutes the Meeting of the Parish Council at the Village Hall on Monday 16th July

Attendance: Cllr Guy Nelson (Chair), Cllr Sue Lusher (vice-chair), Cllr Gary Bowers, Cllr Bob Jemmett, Cllr Kerry Mitchell, Cllr Ray Murray

Emma Cansdale- Clerk.

# 18/121 Apologies for Absence

**Cllr Mark Townley** 

# 18/122 To receive members' declaration of interests in items on the Agenda

Councillors to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests, other pecuniary interests, and non-pecuniary interests not already declared.

None

#### 18/123 Minutes.

The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting dated 18<sup>th</sup> June 2018 were accepted as a correct record and duly signed by the chair.

# 18/124 Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda and other matters that are of mutual interest

Residents reported the following:

- A car in the verge on the layby on Harwich road. The police are aware.
- 30 mph sign, Clacton Road, Colchester Road are still obstructed/missing.
- Undergrowth on the sides of the road, Harwich Road, and Bradfield Road is becoming dangerous. ECC were going to cut all the hedges when the bridge was complete. EC to remind ECC.
- Broken Branch at the Colchester Road junction with Honeypot Lane. ECC aware- awaiting removal.
- Oak tree overhanging the A120 junction with Harwich Road.

## 18/125 Clerks Report

The clerk reported that in addition to the day to day duties, she has met with the Local Highways Panel office to discuss highways issues. Additionally, the clerk is putting pressure on Essex Highways, to make arrangements for more local 'power', to allow parish councils to carry out work they do not have the budget for, but that are important on a local level. (eg, verge cutting, sign cleaning etc)

# 18/126 Speaker- Tony Clements Chelmsford Motor Club. Corbeau Rally.

To review the 2018 race and report on future plans.

Tony Clement reported that the 23rd April 2018 Rally ran very well, and feedback from majority has been positive. TDC are keen for them to return next year. They would like to make it bigger next year so they can join the National Championships.

The intention for Wix is to join the 2 stages, which would see them race through the centre of the village.

They will be going around and seeing everyone ahead of this. Access will be maintained at periods through the day.

KM- Will pedestrians be able to watch at the crossroads.? Yes, but it will need to sort the logistics for that.

RM- What will the time schedule be (in terms of road closures). Closed 7am but will keep Harwich Road open until sometime later. Cross roads closed around 8, then be opened at 10.30. This will be repeated 3 times throughout the day. Time schedule will be finalised later.

This will be on the September agenda for residents to discuss, with a representative retuning in October/November to answer any additional questions.

#### **Finance**

## 18/127 Payments

To receive monthly finance update and approve payments (appx 1), totalling £1,800.64

Proposed: Cllr Lusher Seconded: Cllr Nelson

Agreed by all

#### 18/128 **Planning**:

To receive and make recommendations on the following planning applications:

18/00930/FUL | Erection of Class B8 storage building for use by existing parcel courier business and construction of concrete hardstanding. | Green Farm Oakley Road Wix Manningtree Essex CO11 2SE

Recommendation: No objection

Proposed: Cllr Nelson Seconded: Cllr Mitchell

Agreed by all.

## **Amenities**

#### 18/129 Allotments

Revised proposals for the lease from Tendring District Council were received, and it was agreed to sign for the 7-year duration of the lease, at a cost of £270 per annum, with a break clause at 3 years. Following a discussion, it was resolved to renew the lease as stated above.

Proposed: Cllr Mitchell Seconded: Cllr Jemmett

Agreed by all.

# 18/130 Field Hire Terms of Reference

Following a discussion and some further small amendments, the Field Hire Policy was adopted and will be published on the website and issued to anyone looking to hire the field or pitch. \*\*

Proposed: Cllr Jemmett Seconded: Cllr Murray

Agreed by all.

# 18/131 Local Highways Panel requests

The speed reduction and signage review will hopefully be discussed at the September LHP meeting.

## 18/132 Insurance

The updated insurance policy was received and it was agreed to renew (long term agreement) at the increased cost of £781.05

Following a discussion, it was agreed to renew as stated above, and to review the asset register and insurance values ahead of next year when the 3-year agreement expires.

Proposed: Cllr Lusher Seconded: Cllr Mitchell

Agreed by all

# **General**

# 18/133 Community Speed Watch

Status report:

2 hours on Low Road, 75 people speeding. Additional site agreed in Wix, outside the Village Hall. They will hopefully have the Trucam in the area once a month

## 18/134 Crime Report

McDonalds at Weeley are planning to print vehicle details on drive through packaging to reduce littering.

# 18/135 Correspondence.

# 18/136 Reports and updates

- Highways- Clerk.
- Village Hall- Cllr Bowers. Copies of the pc right of way onto the field have been obtained. GB to pass to EC.
- TDALC- Clir Mitchell. Meeting on Wednesday 18th July 2018. Clir Mitchell will circulate the minutes to all councillors

# 18/137 Items to be added to next Agenda

Corbeau Rally

Anti- climb paint for the container

Quotations for the removal of the tree growing in the pond through the electricity supply cables and the growth obscuring the street light.

# 18/138 Items of interest and note.

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 17th September 2018

# Meeting closed 21.05