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**WIX PARISH COUNCIL**

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council on Monday 21st November 2022 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall

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| 22/146 | **Apologies for Absence** Cllr Guy Nelson- Vice-chair Cllr Kerry Mitchell will chair the meeting in his absence. |
| 22/147 | **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** |
| 22/148 | **Minutes**.The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting dated 3rd October 2022 was accepted as a correct record and duly signed by the chair.  |
| 22/149 | **Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda and other matters that are of mutual interest****District Councillor Report-** nothing from Mike**County Councillor Report-** available on the website |
| 22/150 | **Clerks Report** The clerk reported on the following issues:* Gym equipment repair- councillors agreed to carry out the repair at the reduced quote.
* Roundabout service is due to be completed by Playquip
* Upcoming elections- May 2022
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| 22/151 | **Corbeau Rally 2023**Speaker Stanley Graham, gave an update on the 2023 rally 22nd/23rd (23rd) The rally will be going through Wix in the opposite direction this year, so there will be chicanes on Bradfield Rd instead of Clacton Rd. The organisers are struggling to get details out to residents, and were advised by the PC to use Coast to Coast magazine and the Wix Facebook pages. An application from Wix PC for a defibrillator for outside the shop will be submitted in due course.  |
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| 22/152 | **Planning**22/01814/FUL | Proposed subdivision of existing residential curtilage to form new detached dwelling with garage, associated parking and landscaping. | Hunters Moon Hunters Court Wix Manningtree Essex CO11 2SQ*Recommendation: No objection, however the parish council raises the questions regarding infrastructure in the village, and it’s capacity for more dwellings.* 22/01247/OUT Outline Planning Permission for erection of up to 8 dwellings (all mattersreserved). Land rear of 1-4 Council Houses Colchester Road Wix Essex AMENDMENT*Recommendation: Objection- The parish council reiterates the highway objection.* 20/01384/FUL. Solar Farm Wix- changes to site entrance*Recommendation: In the original application, there were 2 entrances one before Bowl Rd, one after. The new application has just one entrance. The parish council supports the highways comments, strongly objecting, based on the number of accidents on that stretch of road coming out of the turning.* **Proposed: Cllr Bob Stephens****Seconded: Cllr Bob Jemmett****Agreed by all** |
|  | **Finance** |
| 22/153 | 1. To receive monthly finance update and approve payments \*\*(appx 1)

**Proposed: Cllr Matt Jones****Seconded: Cllr Kathy Saich****Agreed by all** |
|  | **Open spaces and environment** |
| 11/154 | **Field Maintenance equipment**To resolve to purchase the following field maintenance items:1. Mower Simplicity Broadmoor SYT410 Lawn Tractor 122cm Cut With Roller **£6949**, mulching kit **£174**
2. Leaf blower STIHL Vacuum Shredder & Blower SH 86 C-E **£310**

**Following a discussion, it was resolved to purchase the mower, mulching kit and leaf blower.****Proposed: Cllr Bob Jemmett****Seconded: Cllr Kathy Saich****Agreed by all (Action EC)** |
| 22/155 | **Recreation Area**To resolve the following: 1. To upgrade the field electric box to 2, 32 amp sockets, and improve associated wiring. Budget £5000
2. To resurface the MUGA. Budget to be agreed.

**Following a discussion, it was resolved to upgrade the field electric box and seek additional quotes. It was also agreed to re-surface the MUGA using (at least in part) S106 funding, plus additional grant funding if it can be secured. To seek quotes.** **Proposed: Cllr Bob Stephens****Seconded: Cllr Bob Jemmett****Agreed by all (Action EC)** |
| 22/156 | **Boundary Review**To consider the proposed parliamentary boundary review, and formulate a response to the consultation.The council will submit a response when further information is received from Cllr Mike Bush (and Cllr Lynda McWilliams). Residents are urged to make their own comments directly. |
| 22/147 | **Milestone Marker**To resolve to make an application to the Essex Heritage Trust for funding for the casting and placement of the Mile stone marker (as discussed with the Manningtree Museum & Local History Group, who are leading the project)Application to be made before the 23rd January. **(Action MJ)****Agreed by all** |
| 22/158 | **Fireworks**The display on 5th November was a successful event, and the working party and council are considering options to improve the display for next year.  |
| 22/159 | **Crime Report**Report form PCSO Pat Smith (appx 3\*\*)Nothing in the Ward on the October crime report  |
| 22/160 | **Correspondence**.1. Note of thanks to Mike Bush from Chris Swinburne, for taking action on a planning issue, whilst on holiday.
2. To receive a grant request from Wix and Wrabness Primary School PTFA, for £1000, to pay for the Pantomime and small Christmas gifts.

**Proposed: Cllr Bob Jemmett****Seconded: Cllr Gill Isbell****Agreed by all**1. A request from an organisation working on behalf of National Highways has requested permission to carry out a newt survey at the pond. Agreed
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| 22/161 | **Reports, updates and matters of continuing reference.*** **Strategic Development meeting- following the discussion at the meeting regarding the Christmas tree, a budget of £250 was agreed, plus £100 for prizes for the decorated house completion.**

**Proposed: Cllr Jones****Seconded: Cllr Jemmett** * **Highways- Clerk.**
* **TDALC- Cllr Mitchell. Meeting on Wednesday. Anyone like to attend?**
* **Village Hall- Cllr Nelson- not in attendance**
* **Rubbish bins-Clerk- Waiting for TDC to install**
* **Tree survey- ongoing**
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| 22/162 | **Items to be added to next/future agenda/ matters of continuing reference.** \*2023/24 budget and precept settingGym area lighting MUGA surfacing.Meeting with the VHMC regarding field/hall hire/Field hire policy Induction policy for new councillor’sSolar Working Group-Recreation area development- S106Pond |
| 22/163 | **Items of interest and note.****Next meeting- Monday 16th January 2023, 7.30pm****Litter pick 3rd December 10 am- meet at the village hall.** **Meeting closed at 21.35** |