



WIX PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on Monday 31st July 2023 at 7.30 pm

Present: Cllr Guy Nelson (chair), Cllr Stephens (vice-chair), Cllr Jemmett, Cllr Saich, Cllr Isbell, Cllr Sebright-King, Cllr Linnell
Ward Councillor Mike Bush
Clerk- Emma Cansdale

23/98 Apologies for Absence

Cllr Stephens- planning, Cllr Nelson- expenses.

23/99 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.

23/100 Minutes.

The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting dated 19th June 2023 were accepted as a correct record and duly signed by the chair.

23/101 Co-option

To receive an application, and resolve to co-opt a new councillor.

Purdie Liddell- would like to contribute

Proposed: Cllr Jemmett

Seconded: Cllr Stephens

Agreed by all

23/102 Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda and other matters that are of mutual interest

District Councillor Report

Cllr Mike Bush gave his report.

- Key points: National Grid Issue. Letter sent to councillor's tonight, detailing objection from TDC. Now Tarchon as well as Five Estuaries and North Shore Falls.
- Corporate Plan questionnaire.
- Public Space Protection order re dog fouling.

County Councillor Report- available on the website

23/103 Clerks Report

The clerk attended H&S at Work training, receiving the qualification for 3 years. She will follow this up with a Risk Assessment qualification.

Finance

23/104

a) Payments

To receive monthly finance update and approve payments ******(appx 1)

b) Purchases

Stock of defibrillator pads- £50

c) Insurance

£709.44

Proposed: Cllr Sebright-King

Seconded: Cllr Stephens

Agreed by all

23/105 Planning

23/00930/FUL

Danny Ashcroft Building & Construction - DK Building Designs

Erection of 3 bungalows and 5 chalet bungalows, and creation of new vehicular access.

Land adjacent to The Granary Barn
Bradfield Road
Wix
Essex
CO11 2SH

23/00975/FUL
Mr and Mrs Barnard

Erection of 2 amenity blocks to service approved camping and caravan site.

Richwill Farm
Oakley Road
Wix
Manningtree
Essex
CO11 2SF

*Granary Barn- Recommendation: Objection
Cllr Mike Bush to call the application in.*

Richwill Farm- Recommendation; No objection

Proposed: Cllr Nelson

Seconded: Cllr Sebright-King

Agreed by all (excluding Cllr Stephens who did not take part on the discussion or vote on the Richwill Farm application)

23106 **Roles and Responsibilities**

To agree membership to working groups (wg), and councillor roles and responsibilities.

Finance; Cllr Stephen, Cllr Sebright (Cllr Nelson to remain a signatory)

Planning: Cllr Stephen, Cllr Sebright

Recreation area: Cllr Jemmett, Cllr Nelson, Cllr Isbell, Cllr Linnell, Brian Saich (non-councillor), Cllr Saich

TDALC rep: Cllr Stephens

Key holders: see list.

Comms: Cllr Sebright-King, Anne Schofield (non-council member)

Tree Warden: Cllr Nelson

PRoW: Cllr Linnell, Cllr Saich

Agreed by all

23/107 **New Recreation Projects**

To consider and agree the items and quotes received for new play equipment items:

- Trim trail- Playquip
- Zipwire-
- Removal of equipment
- Repair to rubber surfacing
- Roundabout servicing

Playquip. Metal trim-trail. Provisional, subject to S106 application, and public works.
Full S106

Proposed: Cllr Isbell

Seconded: Cllr Nelson

Agreed by all

23/108 **Disposal (sale) of the old Ransomes diesel mower**

To agree to dispose of (sell) the Ransomes diesel mower, and agree an acceptable price.

Following a discussion, it was resolved to sell locally with a starting price of £450.

Proposed: Cllr Jemmett

Seconded: Cllr Nelson

Agreed by all

23/109 **New website update**

Report from Cllr Sebright-King. To discuss and resolve the following:

- Self-build vs Bespoke build
- Budget available, if any
- Any other content / stakeholders that may have been missed

Main drawback of any self-build platform (Wix, Weebly etc), you lose control of the backend. To have a combined site, a bespoke solution is required.

Cost- under £2k for the build. Hosting costing annually- minimal.

What domain name do we want (with all parties)

Next stage is building the wireframe, ready for quotes.

Following a discussion, it was agreed to go forward with designing a bespoke site, with all village parties, Cllr Sebright-King will produce a wireframe, then go to quotes.

Propose: Cllr Sebright-King

Seconded: Cllr Saich

Agreed by all

23/110 **Crime Report**

No official report.

Break-in at Whitehouse Farm Cottages, around 4-5 weeks ago.

23/110 **Correspondence.**

- Grant Funding request from Wrabness (and Wix) youth club. Deferred.

23/112 **Reports, updates and matters of continuing reference.**

- **Highways- Clerk.**
- **TDALC-**
- **Village Hall**
- **Recreation area - memorial garden benches, £300 budget installation.**

23/113 **Items to be added to next/future Agenda/ matters of continuing reference.**

Gym area lighting

MUGA surfacing- The MUGA surface has been advised as in good condition and should not need looking at for at least 5 years.

Meeting with the VHMC regarding field/hall hire/Field hire policy

Solar Working Group-

Recreation area development- S106

Pond

Tree survey- start next phase of work in September.

Items of interest and note.

Next meeting- Monday 18th September 2023

Meeting closed: 21.45