



WIX PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on Monday 27th September 2021 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall

Present: Cllr Guy Nelson (chair), Cllr Gary Bowers (vice-chair), Cllr Ray Murray, Cllr Bob Jemmett, Cllr Bob Stephens

21/105 **Apologies for Absence**

Cllr Kerry Mitchell

District Councillor Mike Bush also extends his apologies.

To note that Cllr Barry Moir has stepped down from Wix PC. Thanks go to Barry for his contribution whilst serving as a parish councillor.

21/106 **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

21/107 **Minutes.**

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting dated 16th August 2021 were accepted as a correct record and duly signed by the chair.

21/108 **Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda and other matters that are of mutual interest**

Cllr Murray reported that a couple of members of the public have asked why the MUGA lights aren't on.

A new timer is being put in the box, so once that is fixed, the lights will be put on. Timing to be agreed at the next meeting.

21/109 **Clerks Report**

The clerk reported that the CIF application for the mower has been submitted, and will be decided at the end of November/beginning of December.

There are a set of speed and volume survey cables in the village. The clerk has asked ECC to pass on the data received from those (if they belong to ECC), as it may be useful for the LHP applications.

War Memorial-The clerk to speak to Sue about updating the display.

Finance

21/110 **Payments**

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

Proposed: Cllr Murray

Seconded: Cllr Bowers

Agreed by all

21/111 **External Audit**

To receive the external audit report for 2020/21

Audit approved by the external auditor, PKF Littlejohn

- 21/112 **Planning:**
 21/00854/FUL | Proposed erection of detached three bedroom dwelling | Abbey Bottom Farm Harwich Road Wix Manningtree Essex CO11 2RY
 Recommendation: This is a reapplication of an application made in 2015. It was rejected by TDC, but went to appeal and was granted. The first application many years ago was for a single house to support the chicken farm. The council raises this as history should be considered. The council is also concerned about the access to the property.
Proposed: Cllr Stephens
Seconded: Cllr Murray
Agreed by all
- Assets and Facilities**
- 21/113 **Defibrillator**
 a) **For Wix and Wrabness Primary School**
 To receive a report and proposal from Cllr Murray regarding the installation of a defibrillator at Wix and Wrabness Primary School.
 Following an in-depth discussion, it was agreed to make a donation of £350 towards the defibrillator assuming that other avenues for financing the project being explored by Cllr Nelson are unsuccessful.
- b) **Village Hall**
 To resolve to purchase a new door seal for the defibrillator box quote £30 plus VAT delivered.
Proposed: Cllr Nelson
Seconded: Cllr Jemmett
Agreed by all
- 21/114 **Goal Posts**
 Following the discussion at the last meeting, and further consideration, it is proposed to remove the unused goal sockets. To also note the posts are included in the weekly inspection.
Proposed: Cllr Nelson
Seconded: Cllr Bowers
Agreed by all
- 21/115 **CCTV**
 To receive notice from Wix Village Hall, that they will be installing new higher resolution CCTV outside the Hall. The WVHMC have offered to cover the playing field.
 Following a discussion, it was agreed in principle to help fund the additional high resolution cameras to cover the field and MUGA. Costing to be sought.
- 21/116 **Dog Fouling**
 Cllr Nelson proposes to commission a survey asking field users (particularly dog walkers) where they are from. It appears other parishes may have banned dogs from their recreation areas, resulting in an increase in usage at Wix. To consider the implications of this, and agree any actions.
 Following a discussion, it was agreed to erect additional signage:
No Dog Fouling
CCTV in operation.
- Proposed: Cllr Nelson**
Seconded: Cllr Jemmett
Agreed by all
- General**
- 21/117 **LHP Application Harwich Road Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS) and Clacton Rd VAS**
 To resolve to apply to the LHP for a VAS on Harwich Road. To agree possible locations, to be put forward. Following receipt of a request from a resident, to also consider applying for a VAS on Clacton Rd.
- Following a discussion, it was resolved to apply for a VAS on Harwich Rd- corner of RBL car park or bus stop, or on the corner by Abbey Bottom Farm. It was agreed to apply for the Harwich Rd VAS before one on Clacton Road.
Proposed: Cllr Nelson
Seconded: Cllr Bowers

Agreed by all

- 21/118 **Platinum Jubilee Celebrations Committee**
To receive a report from the committee on suggested events- Afternoon Tea. **Deferred**

Events

- 21/119 **Womens Tour Stage 5 Cycling Race**
To note receipt of the route and the Temporary Prohibition of Traffic Order **Noted**
- 21/120 **Harwich Runners Travel Plan**
To note receipt of the Harwich Runners Wix 5 Event Road Closure details. **Noted. Clerk to advise the kerb has been raised through the north field gate.**
- 21/121 **Crime Report**
Report form PCSO Pat Smith (appx 3**)
- 21/122 **Correspondence.**
Field Request- To receive a request to the playing field on 16th April 2022, for the Essex Comic Con. Following a discussion, it was agreed to ask the applicant to visit site, to discuss the extent of the field required (as it will be fenced off from the general public. Other points to consider are the condition of the field in April, and the possibility of asking for a donation, as this is a commercial event, which also restricts the use of the public space.
- 21/123 **Reports, updates and matters of continuing reference.**
- **Highways- Clerk.**
 - **TDALC- Cllr Mitchell. No report**
- 21/124 **Items to be added to next Agenda.**
- 21/125 **Items of interest and note.**

Next meeting- Monday 18th October 2021
PSCO at village Hall in Thursday 4th November 4pm-5pm and Saturday 15th January 4pm-5pm