



WIX PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council at the Village Hall on Monday 15th October 2018

Attendance: Cllr Sue Lusher (vice chair standing a chair), Cllr Gary Bowers, Cllr Ray Murray, Cllr Bob Jemmett, Cllr Mark Townley
Tony Clements- Chelmsford Motor Club
Members Of Public: 8

18/157 **Apologies for Absence**

Cllr Guy Nelson, Cllr Kerry Mitchell

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18/158 **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.

Cllr Townley- Rally.

18/159 **Minutes.**

The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting dated 24th September 2018 were accepted as a correct record and duly signed by the chair.

18/160 **Corbeau Seats Rally**

To discuss the potential changes to the rally through Wix, including receiving responses from residents relating the race running through the village

Tony, the event director, gave a report on the event and explained that as they were looking to grow the event so it becomes a national championship event rally, it needs more competitive miles.

The organisers called on the residents on Clacton Road prior to the last event (when the section was non-competitive), and in July called on the businesses to gage the feeling on having a competitive stage through the village.

A number of questions were raised by councillors and residents. Key points and questions:

- The organisers have not yet engaged with the residents on Clacton Road about a competitive stage through that section.
- What is the recommended safe distance for a spectator. *Depends on where the road is*
- Chicanes will be placed by Wix Equestrian Centre and on the brow on the hill on Clacton Road. The drivers would not be going 'full speed' along that section from Dengewell Hall.
- Residents are already concerned about a speed issue between the Waggon and the Equestrian Centre.
- Appropriately placed chicanes would drop the speed in that section to 20-30mph
- The Waggon will have to shut for the day as their insurance will not allow them to open as there is no access on to any other road. *There would not be a competitive stage through the centre of the village if the pub cannot open. Defeats the object of bringing business in.*
- Did it go through Gt Oakley? *Residents of Stones Green made it more difficult to go through Great Oakley.*
- Experience in Bradfield was positive.
- Plan is for it to be an annual event.
- Equestrian Centre is not a problem.

- Communication with the village is vital. *Organisers will knock on doors in February when residents handbook is handed out.*
- Buses. *As part of the road closure, ECC publicise the road closures. They will also advise the bus companies.*
- Church will need to be advised as it may affect their service.
- Sponsors underwriting the average income, for losses?
- HSE- can we call them in?

Potential solution/option is to stop at the Equestrian Centre, and start at the bridge.

18/161 Public participation session with respect to the Corbeau Seats Rally

18/162 Corbeau Seats Rally TRO

To formulate and agree a response to the TRO consultation

Councillor comments:

Cllr Bowers- concerned regarding the inconvenience to residents.

Cllr Lusher- concerned about Daleview and Glebe Close.

Cllr Jemmett- if effects the pub, its an issue.

Following a discussion, it was resolved to respond saying that Wix PC were in principle happy with the rally, however, had serious concerns regarding the additional competitive stage through the centre of the village. Wix PC would be more content with 2 stages, which stopped at the Equestrian Centre, and resumed at the bridge on Bradfield Road.

Proposed: Cllr Murray

Seconded: Cllr Jemmett

3 votes for, 1 against, carried. Cllr Townley did not vote due to his declared interest.

Clerk to send Tony, Ray's contact details for leafleting.

18/163 Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda and other matters that are of mutual interest

Residents raised the following points:

- Village pond- is its ownership in the minutes. Clerk to confirm
- What the current situation with the mower- The council is still looking for the best option.
- Harwich Road hedge. This will be cut back soon.
- Village Lock-up. Mr Williams has a photo of the lock-up brick work.

18/164 Clerks Report

The clerk reported on the activities over the last month, which includes dealing with a number of highways issues, and preparing for fireworks night.

Finance

18/165 Payments

The monthly finance update was received and payments approved (appx 1)

Proposed: Cllr Jemmett

Seconded: Cllr Townley

Agreed by all

18/166 Planning:

To receive and make recommendations on the following planning applications:

None

18/167 **Fireworks Night**
The clerk gave a report from the Fireworks Committee. Everything is in hand ahead of the display on Saturday 4th November.

General

18/168 **Community Speed Watch**
a) To receive status report
A new site has been approved, by the concrete works, in 2 hours 501 vehicles went past, 51 were speeding.

18/169 **Crime Report**
No report

18/170 **Correspondence.**
Wix Youth Club have requested that Wix PC hold their funds until they can open again. Agreed.

18/171 **Reports and updates**

- **Highways- Clerk.**
- **Village Hall- Cllr Bowers.**
- **TDALC- Cllr Mitchell No report**
- **Remembrance Sunday.** All ready for the event. Service arranged for 10.45, at the memorial. There is a piece on each Wix serviceman.

18/172 **Items to be added to next Agenda**

Rally update.

Street lights.

18/173 **Items of interest and note.**

Wix Fireworks Display and bonfire 3rd November 2018

Next meeting 26th November.

Meeting closed at 9pm