## Wickhamford Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting, 12<sup>th</sup> November No.11/08

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<u>Present M. Rogers Chairman, J. Poulter V. Chairman, Councillors R. Gilks, D. Heeks and M. Smith Clerk.</u>

1. Apologies

Councillor D. Folkes and PC G. Greenhouse.

- 2. Declarations of Interest.
- 3. The meeting was adjourned for Progress Reports and also the Public Question Time, notes of which are appended to these minutes.

None

- 4. The Minutes of the meeting held on the  $8^{th}$  October were approved.
- 5. New and Ongoing Items.
  - a) Sandbags & Containers. After reviewing the quotations received it was decided to proceed with the quotations from S.E. Cooper for the Galvanized Containers and from Fairview Trading for the Hessian filled Sandbags providing agreements can be reached regarding the siting of the containers. It was agreed to contact the owner of the Sandys Arms and Geoff Curtis at the farm regarding this issue.
  - b) Local fires. There were no further updates from our local PC only that the investigation is ongoing.
  - c) Affordable Housing. No answers to the Clerks emails. The Chairperson would follow up on this.
  - d) Grass cutting contract. It was decided to lengthen the cutting season from April to October instead of September (and March).
  - f) Flood update / Lengthsman. No further updates on the flooding issues. The ditch in Manor Road is Highways property therefore our Lengthsman is able to carry out the work needed.
  - g) Co-option. A resident of the village, Mr. Tom Waller, has requested an application form for co-option to the Parish Council at the December meeting.

6. Planning. 12 Manor Road, W/08/02470/PP, Permission granted.
7. Finance. Cheque signed for M. Smith, Expenses and Newsletter. A discussion on the precept took place with Councillors requested to peruse this at their leisure as this needs to be accepted at the December meeting. The Clerk was asked to look at an alternative bank account, preferably with Abbey, with a better rate of interest for a substantial amount of our account to be transferred to. A question was raised as to why the donation to the Sports & Social Club towards their mowing cost had not been paid. The Clerk answered by saying that it had not been requested.
8. Date of the next meeting confirmed as 10 <sup>th</sup> December.
Meeting Closed 8.30pm

Date.....

Chairman

Signed.....

## Notes of the Public Question Time

Flood Grants to other Counties.

Electricity work.

Potholes.

Maltby Land Surveys.

Insurance excess.