

# WICK PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2012

## AT WICK CLUB

Present: Councillors Mr. D. Scott - Chairman  
Mr. P Edmunds  
Mr. R. Hill  
Miss S. Young  
Councillor T. McDonald

4 Electors

- 1533 Apologies. Councillor L. Raymer.
- 1534 Declaration of interests. None.
- 1535 Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2011. were approved and signed by the Chairman.
- 1536 Matters arising.
- a) Queens Diamond Jubilee Celebrations 2012. Councillor Scott is to speak with Charles Hudson to see whether the field will be available for use. The evening of Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June was suggested as the date. Councillor Edmunds suggested that an article be put in the next Wick News advertising the proposed celebrations, the Clerk will contact Mike Illingworth to arrange this. No decisions were made and it was decided to wait until the return of Councillor Raymer who will finalise arrangements.
- 1537 District Councillor's Report. Councillor McDonald as per attached report.
- 1538 County Councillor's Report. Councillor Hardman did not attend.
- 1539 Finance. The clerk presented the current statement. Lengthsman re-imburement of £308.00 has been received. The following has been paid out, Wick Club £5.00, Lengthsman costs £308.00. The following is to be paid, lengthsman costs, room hire, petty cash, polythene sheeting (for sandbags).  
  
Retrospective approval was given for the purchase of plastic sheeting to cover sandbags.
- 1540 Planning Report. There were no planning applications to consider.
- 1541 Playground Management Committee Report. Councillor Young advised there has not been a committee meeting held since the last Parish Council meeting.  
  
Total funds stand at £7978.67 as at 23.01.12.
- 1542 Footpath Officer. Councillor Hill reported that he had walked all of the footpaths without problem. The Clerk said she had walked down Cooks Hill-Wyre Lane and the stile at the side of the gate has now disappeared and the gate padlocked. Also the footpath sign at the corner of the field has disappeared. Councillor Hill would speak to Robert Kings to ascertain the situation.

1543 Flood Alleviation Committee Report. Andy Smart advised that a committee meeting would be held shortly.

- a) Residents had advised that there is an accumulation of rubbish under the relief channels at the bridges. David Lavender would be contacted regarding this.
- b) Tony Jones at Wychavon District Council has been contacted regarding cash that is available for flood defence work.
- c) Dredging – Christian Wilcox at the Environmental Agency had been contacted who advised that the feeling now is dredging for flood defence purposes is not practical because of the cost and ongoing maintenance programmes, bank erosion etc.
- d) Mark Richardson has now joined the committee who it was felt would be a great asset.
- e) There has not been a large response to the At Risk of Flooding survey request. To date there are 6 properties to be surveyed and then advised how best to take preventative action.
- f) Flood alleviation plans to assist residents are now being discussed.

1544 Any Other Business.

Proposed ‘ Village Allotments’ - Councillor Young reported that she has not received any response from residents nor had she heard any more from Tom Meikle.

Sheep Gate in the Waylands – Councillor Hill advised that as requested he had found out that Worcestershire County Council erected the gate and that Charles Hudson is responsible for the maintenance of the gate, although Ray Day and Colin Martin have previously repaired it and they have also done so this time.

Councillor Hill asked whether a letter has been sent to Mr. G. Hudson requesting that the vehicle that is left on the road be moved, as it has now been removed. Councillor Scott replied that the Clerk had written to Mr. G Hudson.

Councillor Hill advised that he and 2 residents have cleared the mud etc. in The Waylands.

Councillor Young suggested that the Flood Alleviation Committee might be able to utilise monies available as advised by Councillor Hardman at the last meeting.

1544 Date of next meeting. The next meeting will be held on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2012 at 7.30pm. The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April at 7.15pm. The following meeting to be held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm

1545 Questions. There were no questions.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30pm and thanked everybody for attending.