

## WICKHAMFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes to Meeting 11<sup>th</sup> January 2006  
Held in the Memorial Hall Wickhamford

<b>1</b>	<p><b>Apologies</b> Apologies received from Sherry Webb, Liz Eyre, Steve Baldwin (Beat PC)</p> <p><b>Present</b> John Poulter, Miranda Roger, Jeanne Pearce, Carole Smith, David Folkes and Mary Campbell (Clerk)</p>	
<b>2</b>	<p><b>Declarations of Interest</b> John Poulter and Miranda Rogers declared an interest in item 5 on the agenda concerning the Memorial Hall.</p>	
<b>3</b>	<p><b>Review of Minutes of meeting held 9<sup>th</sup> November 2005</b> These were unanimously agreed and signed by the Chairman</p>	
<b>4</b>	<b>Progress Reports</b>	
<b>4a</b>	<p><b>Report by Councilor Liz Eyres</b> Liz Eyres was unable to attend</p>	LE
<b>4b</b>	<p><b>Report by Local PC – Steve Baldwin</b> Steve was unable to attend Miranda Rogers reported that 18 Special Constables have been approved for Wychavon.</p>	SB
<b>4c</b>	<p><b>Report on Progress of Parish Plans</b> The village meeting was successful and attracted 35 40 people of which 6 are interested in assisting with the Parish Plan. The next meeting will not be for at least 2 months when all involved will be available. The Memorial Hall open day will be used to promote this further. John Poulter has already arranged for the Housing Survey to be done independently of the Parish Plan meetings etc. Labels for the envelopes have been requested</p>	MR
<b>4d</b>	<p><b>Report on Burial Ground Plaque</b> John Poulter reported that this has not yet been done. He also brought up the wording and size of the plaque for discussion again and asked for the minutes relating to this be presented at the next meeting (Clerk Note – the wording was agreed by unanimous vote on 14<sup>th</sup> September)</p>	JP
<b>4e</b>	<p><b>Report on Parking on the Green</b> Bollards are now in place therefore this should not be an issue any longer.</p>	MC
<b>4f</b>	<p><b>Report on Memorial Hall Open Day (28<sup>th</sup> Jan)</b> The open day will consist of various groups having a table each for display and information. John Poulter will organize a bottle stall, Miranda Rogers offered a raffle prize. A meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> 7.15 pm. at Clerks house has been arranged. Clerk will put together a leaflet about the work of the council as well as a suggestion form.</p>	MR
<b>4g</b>	<p><b>Report on Womens Institute Flower Trough</b> Letter has been sent in support. Awaiting response.</p>	
<b>4h</b>	<p><b>Report on RTB Planning Application</b> No change since last meeting</p>	

<b>5</b>	<b>Wickhamford Memorial Hall Flood Barrier</b> The Committee of the memorial Hall have asked for an increase in the donation being made to the Memorial Hall. Miranda Rogers and John Poulter left the room so that a discussion and vote could take place. It was unanimously agreed to increase the amount offered from £300 to £800. The clerk will send a cheque	MC
<b>6</b>	<b>Air Ambulance Funding</b> The Parish Council has been asked to support the Air Ambulance by writing to government requesting funding. It was unanimously agreed that the Council would do so. Clerk to send letter.	MC
<b>7</b>	<b>Report on Play Corner Safety</b> Carole Smith requested that the age limit be reduced to 8 for using the Play Corner equipment. This was taken to vote and refused. It was decided that a RoSPA safety check should be done ASAP John Poulter again referred to the cost of Play Equipment and the need for a sink fund for replacement in the event of damage. This was agreed by vote on 13 <sup>th</sup> July 2005.	MC
<b>8</b>	<b>Designation of Tree warden</b> The Parish needs a tree warden. It was agreed to advertise in the village to see if anyone would like to do this. Clerk to arrange.	MC
<b>9</b>	<b>Cemetery Caretaker</b> John Poulter has asked that we find someone to caretake the cemetery which includes marking graves, general upkeep and maintenance and record keeping. It was agreed that the manual side of this could be done by GBD and the paperwork by someone else. Clerk to find out costs from GBD	MC
<b>10</b>	<b>Footpath No 3, Signs and designation</b> Jeanne Pearce brought to the Councils notice the bad state of repair of footpath No 3. She provided a map and asked that the Council write to the FootPath Office (Patrick White) and get some resolution. Clerk to follow up.	MC
<b>11</b>	<b>Finance</b> The clerk distributed copies of the current financial position for review. John Poulter commented that the balance was still large and the council should consider a reduction in precept. The Clerk responded that Precept for this year was already agreed unanimously on 9 <sup>th</sup> November 2005 and can be reviewed again for next year, 2007/8. There were no other comments.	
<b>9</b>	<b>Date of next meeting is 8<sup>th</sup> February 2006</b>	