

WICK PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 13TH AUGUST 2012 AT WICK CLUB

Present: Councillors Mr. D. Scott - Chairman
Mr. R. Hill
Mrs. L. Raymer
Miss S. Young
Councillor A. Hardman
Councillor T. McDonald
2 Electors

1576 Apologies. Councillor Edmunds.

1577 Declaration of members' interests. None.

1578 Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on Monday 11th June 2012 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

1579 Matters arising.

a) Commemoration of the Queens Diamond Jubilee.

Councillor Raymer reported that thought had been given to the commemoration of the Diamond Jubilee.

i) Village Cross. An estimate had been received for the refurbishment of the Village Cross and after discussion then proposed by Councillor Scott and seconded by Councillor Raymer, it was agreed that Option 5 was chosen at an estimated cost of £600 including V.A.T. It was hoped the refurbishment would be completed before Remembrance Day. The cost to erect a small plaque would be obtained detailing the history of the cross.

ii) Petanque Court. A ball part figure of £3000-£4000 had been received for the cost involved. Councillor Raymer would make investigations into the possibility of a grant to fund this.

iii) The Diamond Jubilee mugs will be available in time for the village fete.

1580 District Councillor's Report. See report attached.

Andy Smart asked whether following the Olympics W.D.C. were planning to become involved in promoting fitness for adults. Councillor McDonald suggested that Phil Merrick the Head of Community Services be contacted.

Councillor Raymer asked what is the procedure for obtaining a grant available for the cost of providing a petanque court and was advised Phil Merrick should be contacted initially.

1581 County Councillor's Report. Councillor Hardman reported the plans to build an incinerator at Hartlebury, have been approved by the Secretary of State.

Councillor Hardman confirmed the findings of the Safer Roads Team as reported in Matters Arising at the last Parish Council meeting. The 40mph speed limit will be instigated on 16th August 2012.

Councillor Hardman advised that he would be able to assist with the cost of supplying protective clothing for use by flood alleviation volunteers when needed.

Councillor Hardman would speak to Roy Fullee regarding the footway in Main Street.

- 1582 Flood Alleviation Committee Report. Andy Smart reported there had been an alert and sandbags were distributed as required and are awaiting re-collection. Vic Haines has again been asked for an invoice for his costs involved in assisting with this work.

Another quotation would be obtained for the cost of supplying protective clothing.

A further 500 sandbags are required the cost of filled U.V. resistant polypropylene sandbags is approximately £250 per 60 bags. Alternatively if a grant is received, help could be given to individual property owners who are in identified at risk properties, get grants towards barriers. Tony Jones at W.D.C. would be contacted to see whether further grants are available.

- 1583 Finance. The clerk presented the current statement. Lengthsman re-imburement of £352.00, Donation to Diamond Jubilee Celebrations £150.70 has been received. The following has been paid, Lengthsman's costs £308.00, Smart Cut (grass cutting) £700.98, Clement Keys (Audit) £162.00, Diamond Jubilee Costs £320.17, Clerks Salary £716.00, H.M.R.C. £179.00, Room hire £5.00, Petty Cash £20.00. The following is to be paid grass cutting, lengthsman costs and Wychavon Games fees.

Playground funds stand at ££7264.71

It was agreed that Personal Accident cover would be added to the current insurance policy at an approximate cost of £50.00 per annum.

- 1584 Planning Report. The following applications has been received W/12/01319/PP Avon Bank Lodge, Avon Bank, Pershore WR10 3JP. Brick built garden equipment store, attached to existing garage. The Parish Council had no objection and approval has now been given.

W/12/01101/OU Land adjacent to and rear of Grange Cottages, Owletts Lane, Wick. Outline Planning permission for erection of four one-bedroom maisonettes. The Parish Council have no objection in principle to the building of a small number of dwellings but feel that any development should be in line with the village plan and be of two-bedroom accommodation. The application is going to W.D.C. Committee where the Parish Council will comment.

- 1585 Playground. Councillor Young and Councillor Raymer will obtain the thoughts of residents on how the playground can be used as more of an 'inter generational' facility.

- 1586 Footpath Officer. Councillor Hill reported that he had recently attended a training event. The problems on The Waylands path have now been resolved after Councillor Hill had contacted Fiona Argyle at W.C.C. Charles Hudson's contractor will finish trimming the hedges shortly.

Councillor Hill had cleared paths in the village where possible.

- 1587 Any Other Business.
Andy Smart said that he has a mobility scooter that is available for use by residents of the village.

- 1588 Date of next meeting. The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 1st October at 7.30pm.

- 1589 Questions. There were no questions.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.00pm and thanked everybody for attending.