

WICK PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 1ST OCTOBER 2012 AT WICK CLUB

Present: Councillors Mr. D. Scott – Chairman
Mr. P. Edmunds
Mr. R. Hill
Mrs. L. Raymer
Miss S. Young
5 Electors

- 1590 Apologies. None.
- 1591 Declaration of members' interests. None.
- 1592 Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on Monday 13th August 2012 were approved and signed by the Chairman.
- 1593 Matters arising.
- i) Speed Limits on B4084. Councillor Hill expressed his thoughts that the speed limit of 40mph should be continued past the first turning for Wick travelling towards Evesham. Councillor Edmunds felt that the 40mph should continue past the second turning for Wick at Cooks Hill. It was decided to write to W.C.C. asking for this to be considered.
 - ii) Village Cross. Councillor Raymer advised that she had been in contact with W.D.C. and the County Archaeological Services, who can assist with artwork and text for the sign to be erected at the cross. Councillor Raymer will ascertain whether the cross is listed, as if so permission would have to be obtained before work commenced. The cost of the sign is in the region of £125.00 - £225.00. A budget will be obtained to enable work to begin as soon as possible. It was also decided to use cobblestones rather than shingle.
- 1594 District Councillor's Report. Councillor McDonald did not attend.
- 1595 County Councillor's Report. Councillor Hardman did not attend.
- 1596 Flood Alleviation Committee Report. Councillor Scott confirmed that £1500 had been received from Councillor Hardman at W.C.C, the Parish Council agreed to match this amount. Proposed by Councillor Scott and seconded by Councillor Raymer.
- After having had previous discussions with Andy Smart, Councillor Scott proposed that a notice be put on the village notice boards advising residents that a sum of money has been received and any suggestions regarding the allocation of these funds be made to Andy Smart directly.
- Andy Smart reported that he has samples of protective clothing and further sandbags will be purchased. He had also spoken to various agencies to ascertain what further funding is available.
- Charles Hudson would be contacted to see whether he has a suitable site available where sandbags can be stored nearer to the properties that are liable to flooding.
- 1597 Playground. Councillor Young advised that there are no problems with the playground at present.
- 1598 Finance. The clerk presented the current statement. Lengthsman re-imburement of £308.00 and a Flood Alleviation Grant of £1500.00 have been received. The following has been paid, Lengthsman

costs £176.00 Smart Cut £796.92, Wychavon Sport £69.00, A.O.N. Insurance £26.55. The following is to be paid, grass cutting, lengthsman costs and clerks salary. Playground funds stand at £7264.71.

1599 Planning Report. No applications have been received. Re: application W/12/01101/OU Land adjacent to and rear of Grange Cottages, Owletts Lane, Wick. The Parish Council has not yet been informed of the decision of W.D.C. Planning Committee although it is understood that permission has been given.

1600 Footpath Officer. Councillor Hill reported that the paths are walkable. One side of the hedgerow at The Waylands has been cut by the landowner. Councillor Hill will put in way marking posts where necessary on footpath 501 at the end of Yock Lane.

Councillor Hill has been contacted by a number of residents regarding the overgrown state of the footway on the B4084. The Parish Council will write to Highways Dept. at W.C.C. to ask for this to be cleared.

Councillor Raymer asked that W.C.C. be contacted again regarding the condition of Main Street footway. The clerk will do this.

Councillor Edmunds requested that the lengthsman remove the moss on the footway in Wick House Close. The lengthsman would be contacted regarding this.

1601 Any Other Business.

Councillor Young asked the clerk for information of what grants had been received in the past for the playground.

Councillor Young asked for an update on the drain in Owletts Lane. The broken culvert had been repaired but the damaged pipe, caused when the ground was dug out to the left of the culvert has not. The Council have been notified that there is still an outstanding issue.

1602 Date of next meeting. The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 10th December at 7.30pm.

1603 Questions. A resident asked when would the promised drain in Yock Lane be installed. The resident was asked to provide the relevant information to Councillor Scott and Andy Smart who would then look into the situation.

The resident also objected to comments made by a resident at the Parish Council meeting on 26th March 2012 being published in 'Wick News'. The resident said that it had caused much distress and was inaccurate and wanted an apology put in the next issue of 'Wick News'. Councillor Scott explained that it was minuted correctly as required. The minutes are then forwarded to 'Wick News' who themselves determine what is put into each issue.

The resident stated that they had still not received satisfactory replies to the letters sent to the Parish Council regarding the flooding in 2007. They felt that funding should have been made available to them to install flood defences on their property. Andy Smart responded that he is investigating what funding may be available.

Another resident expressed concern regarding the planning application for 4 maisonettes, that further developments may take in the future.

The resident also suggested that within the playground, the raised grassed area should be removed and that this would then be a possible site for a Petanque court.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.45pm and thanked everybody for attending.