

# WICK PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> JANUARY 2014  
AT WICK CLUB

Present: Councillors Mr. D. Scott – Chairman  
Mr. R. Hill  
Mrs. L. Raymer  
Mr. A. Smart  
Miss S. Young

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- 1705 Apologies. Councillor V. Wood.
- 1706 Declaration of members' interests. None.
- 1707 Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2013 were approved and signed by the Chairman.
- 1708 Matters arising.
- a) Village Plan Review. Councillor Raymer advised that work is ongoing and the next meeting will be on the 12<sup>th</sup> February in Wick Club at 10.00am. Kate Walton (Manager at the Volunteer Centre) from 11.00 am will be invited to attend to advise parishioners, who will also be invited who are interested in becoming volunteer drivers within the village as part of the Rural Transport Scheme. Kate Walton can also advise on other services available. Councillor Smart has been in contact with Pershore College and will be having a meeting next week when Tamsin Jones will be invited to the village.
- b) Neighbourhood Plan Report. Councillor Smart reported that he has spoken initially with some of the local landowners regarding small scale affordable housing within the village aimed at existing residents and would be having further conversations.
- c) Bus Consultation. Councillor Raymer reported that she has spoken to with residents and met with representatives of Little Comberton, Great Comberton and Elmley Castle on 14th January and a combined letter has been forwarded putting forward the requirements and views of residents. (A separate letter has also been sent from the Parish Council giving the views of residents in Wick)
- d) Footways. Councillor Raymer advised that she has been made aware that W.C.C. had agreed to carry out weed control and strimming on the B4084 from Wick boundary to Cropthorne. It was decided to contact W.C.C. again to ask whether they will include Wick at the same time this work is carried out.
- 1709 District Councillor's Report. See attached report.
- 1710 County Councillor's Report. Councillor Hardman did not attend.
- 1711 Flood Alleviation Committee Report. Councillor Smart reported the Grant application has been followed up with the Dan Wilkinson at the E.A. and a decision will be known at the beginning of February. Sandbags were distributed as required around the village before Christmas and will now remain in situ for the rest of the winter. Councillor Scott thanked the flood alleviation volunteers for the work they are doing.

- 1712 Playground Report. Councillor Young reported that the Winter Warmer held at the beginning of December had raised £685.22. Moss killer had been used on the cricket surface with success. A number of residents have expressed their willingness to help with the development of the Petanque Piste; costings will be obtained for this work to be carried out. Councillor Young will also see what Grants are available. Current funds stand at £8400.33.
- 1713 Finance. The clerk presented the current statement. Lengthsman reimbursement of £220.00, Lengthsman ex. Councillor Hardman £300.00, V.A.T. refund £667.43 has been received. The following has been paid Lengthsman costs £308.00, Parish Plan Update Event £25.20, Petty Cash 30.00, Room Hire £5.00, Playground V.A.T. refund £21.77. The following is to be paid Lengthsman costs.
- a) Precept. The amended to the requirement of £7050 was approved. Proposed by Councillor Scott and seconded by Councillor Raymer.
- 1714 Planning Report. The following application has been received to which the Parish Council have no objection. W/13/0241/LB Pershore College, Avonbank, Pershore WR10 3JP Proposed Tropical House, new main entrance with new Teaching Block on the ground and first floor and glazed link to Avon Bank House, Listed building consent application. (Outline planning permission has been approved for this ref: W/13/02021/OU). The following application has been approved W/13/02138/PP Serendib, Owletts Lane, Wick WR10 3PB rear extension to garage. The following application has been refused W/13/01972/LUE Owletts Farm Bungalow, Cooks Hill, Wick. WR10 3PA Certificate of lawful existing use or development.
- 1715 Footpath Officer Report. Councillor Hill reported that the village footpaths are muddy due to the amount of rain over the last few weeks. Councillor Hill has been advised by Fiona Argyle the W.C.C. Footpath Officer that there are plans to improve and replace the gates in the next financial year on The Waylands footpath. Councillor Hill asked that the distinction be made between ‘Footways’ that run alongside the highways and ‘Footpaths’ which generally run across fields.
- 1716 Any other business.
- a) Councillor Raymer expressed concern regarding the outbreak of ‘Alabama Rot’ that is affecting dogs in the local area.
- b) Councillor Young advised that Wick came sixth overall in the Wychavon Parish Games. Wick has won the small parish trophy again and also the dominoes event.
- 1717 Date of next meeting. The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2014 at 7.30pm The Annual Parish meeting will be held on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April.
- 1718 Questions. There were no questions.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.35pm and thanked everybody for attending.