

Wickhamford Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting, 13th May 2009 No. 05/09

Clerk to the Council, Mike Smith, 12 Pitchers Hill, Wickhamford WR11 7RT

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Present M. Rogers, Chairman, J. Poulter, V. Chairman, Councillors R. Gilks, D. Heeks,
D. Folkes, T. Waller and M. Smith, Clerk

1. Apologies

None

2. Declarations of Interest

J. Poulter expressed a personal interest in item 5(f).

3. The meeting was adjourned for Progress Reports.

No progress reports were available.

4. The Minutes of the meeting held on the 11th March were signed and the minutes of the meeting held on the 8th April were approved.

5. New and Ongoing Items.

- a) Play Area Report. Councillors were already in possession of a précis of the report. After a discussion it was agreed that Councillor J. Poulter will deal with the issue of the gate. Following from this Councillors J. Poulter, T. Waller and the Clerk will visit the site to ascertain the extent of the work required and compile a report for the next meeting.
- b) Flood Alleviation Grant. Councillors had already seen the response from WDC thanking us for the application and would inform us in due course of the decision. Reference was made by the Chairman as to the schedule for the delivery of the Sandbag Bins. The Clerk will chase.
- c) Wickhamford Youth Club. The Clerk has delivered the Sumo Suits and the Space Hoppers to the Team Leader of the group.
- d) Cemetery Shed. The shed has now been padlocked and will stay locked for the foreseeable future. This will be an information item in the June Newsletter.
- e) Speed Signs. It was agreed in principle to purchase the signs with the proviso that there are agreement's with three other Parishes. The voting was 3 for, 1 against and 2 abstentions. Two posts will be erected which we will need to approach WCC for agreement as to the siting. Mr. J. Newbury will take this forward to the next Pact meeting in June.
- f) Bridleway / Footpath. The Clerk had contacted the Countryside Service Access Team

who will make a site visit to ascertain the concern and will report back to the Clerk in due course.

The Clerk will try and ascertain when the site visit will be as a member of the Council would like to be present.

Councillor J. Poulter indicated that the "Bridleway" was originally a footpath.

- g) Proposed Memorial in Cemetery. A picture along with dimensions was circulated to the Councillors and with no objections the Clerk was asked to respond by letter to the requestor.
- h) Advertising on the A44. A discussion on the amount and size of signs appearing along the A44 is a concern and the Clerk was asked to contact Mr. Adam Gatier at the Enforcement Office at WDC for advice.
- i) Co-Option of Mrs. Amanda Smith. It was explained that a notice of Vacancy for a Councillor has to be displayed for two weeks to allow Parishioners to apply for a application form from the Clerk. The vacancy(s) would be filled at the June meeting.

6. Planning.

None.

The Chairman explained about new appeal procedures and the importance of comments on applications. It was agreed that future comments should be agreed with the Chairman prior to submission.

7. Finance.

Councillors were already in receipt of the latest balance sheets.

Cheques signed for,

M. Smith, Stamps and Youth Club Equipment.

J. Poulter, Padlock.

Playsafety, Rospa Report.

GBD (Evesham) Ltd, Grasscutting

8. Date of the next meeting confirmed as 10th June 2009

Meeting Closed at 8.35pm

Signed.....

Date.....

Chairman

Notes of the Public Question Time

No Public Question Time