

## Wickhamford Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting, No. 06/08

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Present M. Rogers, Chairman, J. Poulter, V. Chairman, Councillors D. Heeks, R. Gilks and D. Folkes, K. Moore (late).

1. Apologies M. Smith, Clerk, in Hospital, PC Gail Greenhouse.
2. Declarations of Interest None
3. The meeting was adjourned for Progress Reports and also the Public Question Time, notes of which are appended to these minutes.
4. The Minutes of the meeting held on the 13<sup>th</sup> May 2008 were approved.
5. New and Ongoing Items.
  - a) No progress as yet.
  - b) Esendex trial a success. Councillor K. Moore to organise the state of play regarding the info required to further the project.
  - c) Clerk has sourced filled sandbags (a couple of hundred has been suggested; and is still trying to locate a supplier of appropriate storage bins. Suggestions for siting the bins have yet to be finalised but the Sandys Arms and the Daffurns Farm will be approached. A third location to the other side of the brook has yet to be found.
  - d) Following the RoSPA report Councillor D. Heeks carried out a survey to assess the work that the Parish Council could undertake and what needs to be put to tender. Councillors D. Heeks, R. Gilks and J. Poulter have dealt with various issues. A quotation has already been received for painting the railings, further quotations will be requested for the remainder of the work as necessary.
  - e) Councillor K. Moore gave an update on the Flood issue. The working group have responded in detail to the EA setting out the measures they think should proceed, key dates are,
    - EA consultants date - end of June 08.
    - Report by EA engineer - no date
    - Intention to seek funding by Autumn 08
    - If successful work could begin next financial year. April 09
    - Get the impression that the EA are happy with J. Poulter's proposal but less certain about

less certain about other measures. The working group seem to have a lack of confidence in the EA, frustration at speed of movement, but will continue communicating. The next group meeting will be 19<sup>th</sup> June.

Nothing from ST but Liz Eyre has said to concentrate on one agency at a time, but a village survey has been undertaken and remedial works have been started. No feedback has been received as yet.

Progress from Liz Eyre who arrived late.

Nothing to report on the flood issue. Meeting regarding the Eco Town, flyer to be put up.

S. Worcestershire joint core strategy preferred options to be published in September.

Category 1 villages, 40-50 houses over a 20 year period. Wickhamford is in category 2

6. Planning.

None

7. Finance.

a) Annual return signed

8. Date of the next meeting confirmed as 9<sup>th</sup> July

Meeting Closed 9.00pm

Signed.....

Date.....

Chairman

### Notes of the Public Question Time

Notice Board.

Motorcyclist's still an issue.

Haulage permit.

Pact meeting/ questionnaire.

Car break-ins.