

## Wickhamford Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting, 11<sup>th</sup> April 2012 No. 04/12

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### Present

J. Newbury Chairman, T. Waller V. Chairman, Councillors D. Heeks, G. Curtis  
P. Beaumont, District Councillor B. Parmenter, M. Smith Clerk and Local PC & CSO

### 1. Apologies

District & County Councillor L. Eyre

### 2. Declarations of Interest

None

### 3. The meeting was adjourned for Public Question Time, notes of which are appended to these minutes (if applicable).

4. The Minutes of the meetings held on the January 11<sup>th</sup>, February 8<sup>th</sup> and March 14<sup>th</sup> were approved. The minutes of the extraordinary meeting held on the 29<sup>th</sup> March required amending and will be approved at the May meeting.

### 5. Matters arising from the previous meeting

Bollards are due to be erected as per the email from R. Fullee, Highways  
Requirement to raise the height of one swing.

### 6. District / County Councillors Report.

District Councillor reported on the Localism training. The Chairman stated that he thought that The Parish Councils seem to be doing WDC's job in some respects. The Parish need to list all community assets and submit this to WDC

The Parish Council requested that the District Councillor forward any relevant data regarding The Localism Bill to the Clerk.

### 7. Police Officers Report.

The PC stated that there had been some anti social behaviour in the village recently. There have also been 2 ATC's. The Chairman asked if these had been reported as this would assist the Parish Council with the speeding issues. Apparently they had not.

Councillor asked if there were any measures in place to curb the late night speeding along the A44. Apparently this is in hand.

At the Pact meeting it was mentioned that the "Speed Van" is visible from quite a distance.

8. 010/02/12 Flood Defences.

Martin Young from the EA will meet with the Chairman and G. Poulter. The Parish Councils role is to introduce G. Poulter and Martin Young to discuss a feasible scheme.

9. 005/12/11 Playing Field Update.

As per the meeting of the 29<sup>th</sup> March the Clerk would send a letter to J. Prendergast at WDC advising that we are interested in the purchase of the Playing Field subject to funding.

The Clerk will arrange a meeting with a Councillor to complete the funding form in readiness to submit to the Parish Council for approval, when the next round of funding opens.

10. 015/02/12 Olympic Torch Update.

Wayside Farm Shop will arrange an event for the Olympic Torch arrival.

11. 016/04/12 Parish Plan.

An article to be placed in the next Newsletter to gauge the interest.

12. 014/03/12 Playing Field & Cemetery Sign – Wording.

A proposal that the cemetery sign should be to the right of the gate between the two trees at hedge height. The vote was carried 4 for and 1 against.

It was requested that the Clerk should forward a copy of the cemetery rules to all Councillors to read and put forward their preferred wording for the sign at the next meeting.

A proposal for the wording for the Play Area signage was put forward as follows,

Wickhamford Parish Council Play Area. This Play Area is for the children to enjoy. All Children under 6 to be supervised. No Dogs, No Ball Games, Cycling or Skateboarding.

This is for your enjoyment, please use not abuse

Enquiries to the Parish Clerk 01386 830676

This was unanimously accepted.

It was also agreed to purchase a Dog Fouling Sign.

13. 018/04/12 Footpath adjacent to Cemetery.

Deferred to next meeting.

14. Parish Logo.

It was agreed to run a competition in the next Newsletter to design a Village Logo.

## 15. Lengthsman.

It was proposed that we enlist P. Parfitt as our Lengthsman for 2012/2013 on the agreed terms.  
Clerk will meet with the Lengthsman for a walk around the village to ascertain the workload.

## 16. Planning.

Plans for Review. (if applicable),  
W/12/00498/PN Comments made, WDC advised  
W/12/00639/LB No Comments, WDC advised

Planning Notifications.

## 17. Finance.

Balance sheets available for Councillors.

Cheques signed,

Lars Laj, Play Area Swings

M. Smith, Newsletter Printing

Items for the next Agenda

Bin Stickers, New Homes Bonus, Funding for Flood Scheme, Cemetery Rules, 20 MPH

Speed Limit, Manor Road Repairs

18. Date of the next meeting confirmed as 9th May which will also be the Annual / Statutory meeting

Meeting Closed at 9.20

Signed.....

Date.....

Chairman

**Notes of the Public Question Time**

No members of the public were present