

## Wickhamford Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting, 13<sup>th</sup> November 2013 No. 11/13

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Present J. Newbury, Chairman, Councillors G. Curtiss, D. Heeks, J. Poulter  
M. Smith, Clerk & B. Parmenter, District Councillor

1. Apologies

T. Waller, V. Chairman

2. Declarations of Interest

None

3. The meeting was adjourned for the Public Question Time.

4. The Minutes of the meeting held on the 11<sup>th</sup> September require amending and will be signed at the January meeting.

5. Matters arising from the previous meeting

Send letter to Highways re the hedge surrounding the Post Box in Manor Road

6. District/County Councillors Report.

The District Councillor discussed the proposed plans for the Dogs Trust & the Cats Protection League. The Parish Council explained the issues we had regarding answers from the case officer who also agreed to extend the date for submission of our comments, neither of which was met?

He also confirmed that the planning application for the Sandys Arms had been withdrawn.

DC urged the Chairman to contact WDC re the Community Asset Register. He also confirmed that the road surface issue in Manor Road had now been resolved.

A Councillor raised the subject of Japanese Knotweed at the Wickhamford/Broadway border. County Councillor L. Eyre to be informed.

7. Police Officers Report.

A report from the PC stated that there had been 1 assault, 1 theft from a dwelling and 1 burglary (non dwelling) which is being investigated.

He also stated that householders should be aware of door to door collectors. Please ensure they hold a valid permit

## 8. Cemetery / Cemetery Sign

It was agreed to place signs requesting rubbish to be placed in the bins provided.

A letter had been received requesting if stone chippings can be placed on two graves in place of turf. As this is against our Cemetery rules a response will be sent

## 9. Grass Cutting

No further cuts would be required until March

## 10. Footpath Parking

At the last Pact meeting the local PC said he would "knock on doors" regarding this issue.

## 11. Country &amp; Western

A verbal request from a member of the Wickhamford Sports Club to hold a Country & Western event in 2014 was received. It was agreed that any request for events should be sent to the Parish Council in writing. Clerk to email the Club Chairman requesting this.

## 12. Newsletter

It was agreed that the Clerk should start to produce a bi monthly newsletter.

## 13. Playing Field Update

The Chairman stated that at the last meeting with WDC it was agreed that the leases between WDC and Wickhamford Parish Council & Wickhamford Sports Club and Wickhamford Parish Council would be produced by WDC. They also said they will write a letter for the Parish Council to distribute to the owners of the properties in Drysdale Close regarding the access on to the Playing Field from their gardens. At this point a Councillor said he had already informed the residents and produced a list of addresses.

The next meeting should be for the draft copies

## 14. No Parking Signs

It was agreed to purchase 3 signs to be placed on the "green space" on Pitchers Hill

## 15. Dog Poo

Deferred to next meeting

## 16. Plans for W/13/02245/CU, Deelish Willersey Road (No comments)

17. Finance.

Balance sheets made available for Councillors.

It was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by a Councillor to request a precept of £10,000 for the 2014/2015 financial year. The vote was unanimous

A motion to accept the authorisation of the Chairman, J. Newbury & the Clerk, M. Smith to sign the leases between Wychavon District Council & Wickhamford Parish Council and Wickhamford Sports Club & Wickhamford Parish Council in respect of Wickhamford Playing Field was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Councillor G. Curtiss. The vote was unanimous

Cheques signed,

Wickhamford Memorial Hall, Hall Hire

Smart Cut, Grasscutting for May, June & September

M. Parkinson, VAS Changeover

P. Parfitt, Lengthsman for September & October

Receipts,

WCC, Lengthsman Reimbursement £200.35

WDC, Precept £4,999.00

WDC, New Homes Bonus £5,373.00

M. Grinnel, Interment of Ashes £85.00

G. Wilcox, Memorial £30.00

## 16. Items for the next Agenda

Listing of Sandys Arms

Paddock View Paddock

17. Date of the next meeting confirmed as 8<sup>th</sup> January 2014

Meeting Closed at 8.00

Signed.....

Date.....

Chairman

Notes of the Public Question Time