

**10185 Minutes of the meeting of Wickhambrook Parish Council held on  
20<sup>th</sup> January 2011 at 7.30 p.m. in the MSC Pavilion.**

**Present**

Cllrs. K. Sammons (Chairman), V. Mayes, K. Merritt, E. Taylor, J. Walker and J. Wilson. Borough Cllr. Redhead.

Clerk R. Medley.

Two members of the public were present (Both left at 8.25 pm, as did Cllr. Redhead)

**1. Apologies for absence.**

Apologies were received from Cllr. Claydon, County Cllr. J. Midwood and Clive Pollington

**2. Minutes of Parish Council meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2010**

The minutes were signed as a correct record. Cllrs. resolved that copies of the agenda and minutes displayed on notice boards should be printed on headed notepaper.

**3. Matters Arising (for information)**

3.1 Letters of thanks from those organisations that had received donations from the Parish Council were tabled.

3.2 A copy of the response to the Borough's questionnaire on raising car parking charges was tabled.

3.3 A copy of the response to the Parish Plan questionnaire was tabled.

**4. Declarations of interest in agenda items**

Cllr. Wilson declared an interest in 6.3.

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5. PCSO 3219 Kayla Packman reported 5 crimes in the parish over the last month. These were all thefts from vehicles or properties. She asked that any suspicious behaviour be reported and any vehicle registrations be noted. She would try to attend future meetings if invited.
- County Cllr Midwood had provided a written report giving further details of the divestment of Suffolk County Council services. These included a review of the library services including the mobile library. She also reported the planned closure of the U7102 on March 7<sup>th</sup> to improve the supply of electricity to dwellings in Attleton Green. The opportunity would be taken to explore the suspect drainage down Mole Hill.
- Borough Cllr. Redhead reported progress on forging links between St Edmundsbury and Forest Heath Borough Councils.
- Members of the public raised the possibility of a having a local warning system for flooding at Coltsfoot Bridge; there were further complaints about the most recent changes to the bus timetables, and additional comments were made about the SE/10/1401 Kelly's Meadow planning application.

**CLOSURE OF OPEN SESSION** at 8.25 pm

**6. Planning Matters**

- 6.1 Consideration of planning application SE/10/1562 Serendipity, Coltsfoot Green.  
Cllrs. resolved to object to this planning application.
- 6.2 Applications considered by the Parish Council
- 6.2.1 SE/10/1562 Three Gables, Thorns Corner Erection of 1½ storey dwelling.

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- 6.3 Applications granted/refused/withdrawn by the Borough Council.
  - 6.3.1 SE/10/1071 Grove Farm, Attleton Green Change of use of farm office to residential annexe and of chitting shed to farm office/staff facilities. Granted
- 6.4 Consideration of need to change planning guidance in Standing Orders. Cllrs. agreed that Cllr. Sammons and the Clerk make the necessary changes at the annual update.

**7. Clerk's Report**

- 7.1 Circulated Documents  
The Clerk was instructed to respond to the 'Parking problems – Boyden Close and Nunnery Green questionnaire.
- 7.2 Other matters
  - 7.2.1 Damage to village sign. The Clerk was instructed to obtain a crime incident number from the Police then inform Allianz that a claim would be made. The estimate for repairs was around £350.
  - 7.2.2 'Churches Together' was organising an event to celebrate the Royal Wedding. This would be a buffet tea held in the W.I. Hall at 4.00pm on Saturday April 30<sup>th</sup>. There would be no charge.
  - 7.2.3 Training courses. Cllrs. approved the Clerk's attendance at Planning Workshop on 9<sup>th</sup> February at SALC and New Strategic Direction meeting at West Suffolk House on 7<sup>th</sup> February 2011.

**8. Finance.**

- 8.1 The following payments were approved.

8.1.1 001635 E-On Electricity use in the Chapel	7.41
8.1.2 001636 Land Registry Registration of Village Greens	40.00
8.1.3 001637 R Medley Salary for January (plus extra for CiLCA)	704.44
8.1.4 DD TalkTalk Broadband payment for January	32.16
- 8.2 Recent income (for information)

8.2.1 Payment for interment from H.J.Paintin Ltd.	140.00
8.2.2 Payment for interment from Armstrongs Funeral Service	70.00
- 8.3 Other financial matters
  - 8.3.1 Expenditure against forecast (previously circulated)

**9. Cleaning of streets, bins and open spaces questionnaire.**

The Clerk was instructed to complete and return this questionnaire.

**10. Highway Matters**

- 10.1 Temporary closure of C681 Hawkedon Road, Stansfield. This was noted.
- 10.2 Possible clearance of ditch at Boyden Close. The Borough was considering clearing the ditch and was currently seeking quotes.
- 10.3 Street lamp 63 on the footpath between Browns Close and MSC Hall was not working. The Clerk was instructed to report the fault.
- 10.4 Cllr. Mayes asked that Stuart Field of 7, Croft Close be added to the gritting volunteers list.

**11. Reports from representatives on other village organisations.**

- 11.1 MSC Trustees meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2011. Cllr. Walker reported on the recent installation of insulation in MSC Hall and the fact the both caretakers were currently unwell. Minutes of the meeting would be circulated.

**12. Correspondence**

- 12.1 New Strategic Direction Stage 2 meeting to be held on 31<sup>st</sup> January
- 12.2 Police Priority Tasking meetings (Previously circulated)

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- 12.3 Stour Valley Community School meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> January.
- 12.4 Revised bus services operating from 4<sup>th</sup> January
- 12.5 LDF Vision Masterplan meetings in Bury and Haverhill
- 12.6 New Strategic Direction technical meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> February
- 12.7 Journal of Local Planning Information on Localism Bill (previously circulated)
- 12.8 Letter ref: Safety of Children at Plumbers Arms. Cllrs. agreed that the concerns raised should be further investigated. The Clerk would contact the relevant Highways department.
- 12.9 Matthew Hancock MP poster. Cllrs. agreed that this could be displayed on the parish notice board.

**Date of next meeting.**

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2011 in the MSC Pavilion at 7.30 pm.

**Meeting closed at 9.10 p.m.**

I confirm that the above is a correct record of the meeting held on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2011.

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