



Wickham Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the above Council held at Wickham Centre on Monday 17th January 2011 at 7.15pm.

Present: Angela Clear (Chairman), Trevor Astbury, Mike Bennett, Mike Carter, Marie du Boulay, Justin Gamblin, Thérèse Evans, Jenny Hollis, Colin Roke.

HCC Cllr Freddie Allgood, five members of the public, Parish Clerk Nicki Oliver.

- 1. To receive apologies for absence** Sue Roger-Jones, Di Frost.
- 2. To receive declarations of interest regarding agenda items** **Angela Clear declared an interest in agenda item 4.4.3 as a District Councillor.** Thérèse Evans declared an interest in agenda item 4.4.3 as a District Councillor, Cllr Evans is a member of WCC's Planning Development Control Committee and voted on the planning application for the Hyde affordable housing scheme.
- 3. To adjourn meeting to allow participation by members of the public**

Cllr Mike Carter explained the latest position regarding the proposed North Fareham Strategic Development Area (SDA). Fareham Borough Council (FBC) is pushing ahead with master planning and local objections are being ignored.

In response to a request that WCC responds to the Core Strategy, Cllr Thérèse Evans advised that the WCC Head of Strategic Planning has stated that he does not believe the Core Strategy is unsound so WCC will not be responding.

The Leader of FBC has offered to speak to Wickham and Knowle residents about the SDA in emails to local objectors.

WCC has liaised with officers at FBC and presentations to Wickham and Knowle are being arranged.

David Wallington, who is co-ordinating various groups that are opposing the SDA, strongly urged the Parish Council to take up invitations from the FBC Leader to speak to local people.

It was agreed the Parish Council should respond to Fareham Borough Council's Core Strategy consultation by 31st January. The response will need to demonstrate that the Core Strategy is 'unsound'. Action Clerk.

It was also agreed to circulate a flyer to all households outlining the proposals for the SDA and asking for responses to be sent to Fareham Borough Council together with an invitation to sign the e-petition on Fareham's website. Action Mike Carter.

Resident Mike Hollis requested that drains be cleared properly. The Chairman advised that HCC is planning to clear drains during the next fortnight.

Resident Doug Copeland reported that the phone box in The Square is in urgent need of repairs and cleaning. Mr Copeland also hoped that the Council objected to the Hyde Housing scheme as no building should take place without the necessary infrastructure improvements. The Chairman noted the comments.

3.1 To receive Safer Neighbourhood concerns from the community No report this month.

3.2 Report from County Councillor including update on report into possible action on Winchester Road in response to many complaints about speeding lorries Report circulated prior to meeting.

Cllr Allgood advised that he requested a traffic count and speed measurement on Winchester Road.

This has shown that the average number of vehicles going south in one day is 7595 and the average number going north in the same 24 hours is 7439.

The mean speed of vehicles travelling north is between 24 and 34 mph while the mean speed of vehicles travelling south is the same. Approximately 85 percent of the vehicles observed the speed limit of 30 mph.

Of those vehicles speeding over the legal limit, 17 were clocked over 41 mph and these were all between midnight and 6 am or between 7pm and midnight. Most of the excessive speed was between 30 and 35 mph.

Cllr Allgood will be meeting the transport officers shortly to discuss some measures than can be taken on this road.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Allgood for the update.

Members thanked Cllr Allgood for the new grit bins which have proved very useful.

3.3 Reports from District Councillors Cllr Evans reported that the Government grant to WCC has been significantly reduced.

The new building at Knowle is almost complete; the new adult football pitch will need to be re-laid as the soil used is contaminated with glass and other building waste.

Permission has been granted for the Hyde affordable housing scheme, Cllr Evans is pursuing an extension to the 30mph speed limit to the north of Mill Lane.

Rural parking charges are currently being considered for The Square the first half hour will remain free, 40p for one hour, 80p for two and £1 for three hours.

LDF aspirations have been adopted including a requirement for new developments to include 40% affordable houses of which 70% to be social rented.

Cllr Clear reported that she had secured improvements to the public conveniences: flushing mechanisms to the WC pans to be replaced with photoelectric operated flushers avoiding the need for hand contact and the installation of deodorisers and improvements to enhance the lighting.

3.4 Questions from members of the public None.

3.5 Chairman's announcements The Chairman reported the sad death of Derek Dismore a former employee of the Council. The funeral is due to be held at 12 noon on 19th January.

4. Meeting resumed to consider the following agenda items:

4.1 To approve the minutes of the Full Council meeting held 15th November 2010
Minutes approved and signed.

4.2 General Purposes Committee report (Cllr Gamblin) **The next meeting is due to be held on 24th January. Cllr Bennett circulated a draft Emergency Plan, some amendments were suggested prior to its adoption.**

4.3 Lighting / Highways Representative report (Chairman) **Bridge St will be closed on 26th January to allow loose bricks to be removed from the bridge. Repairs will follow.**

4.4 Planning Committee report (Cllr Hollis)

4.4.1 To receive minutes of meeting held 13th December 2010 **Minutes received.**

4.4.2 To receive update on WCC's grant of permission of Hyde Housing scheme for 20 affordable houses permission granted without payment of £88K infrastructure contributions (Chairman) **The Chairman spoke against granting permission for the scheme until full contributions were forthcoming at WCC's PDC Committee on 6th January. The Committee considered the need for housing outweighed the need for recreation and road improvements. Cllr Evans advised that WCC's Head of Estates was consulted on the proposed reduction in contributions. Cllr Evans voted for the scheme, she believes funding would have been lost without an early start and that delays could also affect the viability of the new surgery.**

It was agreed to write to WCC with the Parish Council's concerns about building without investing in the village's infrastructure. Assurance that 20 local applicants will secure housing as result of the development also be sought from WCC.

Members discussed the impact of the decision on the Council's support for a further affordable scheme to extend Gwynn Way. It was agreed that support would be withdrawn unless written confirmation was provided that full contributions would be made.

4.4.3 Proposed vote of no confidence in WCC in view of the above decision (Cllr Bennett) **It was agreed to withdraw the vote of no confidence. The Parish Council will write to WCC to object to the lack of communication over the issue.**

4.5 Recreation Committee report **No report this month.**

4.6 Water Meadows Trust report. **No report this month.**

4.7 Knowle Committee (Chairman) **The new building is nearly finished and the lease to KCBA is progressing.**

4.8 Finance Committee report: (Chairman)

4.8.1 To receive minutes of meeting held 13th December 2010 **Minutes received.**

4.8.2 Proposal to make a grant of £1000 to Home Start **Resolved.**

4.8.3 Proposal to make a grant of £630 to Wickham Society to fund a flag pole for Armed Forces Day **Resolved.**

4.8.4 Proposal to make a grant of £750 to KCBA to fund legal fees in respect of the lease for the new community building **Resolved.**

4.8.5 Proposal to make a precept request of £108,413. This would represent an annual payment of £61 for a Band D property, an increase of £4 or 7%. **Resolved.**

4.9 Projects reporting to Full Council

4.9.1 Village Design Statement (Cllr Carter) **Ongoing.**

4.9.2 Parish Plan / Master Plan for village (Clerk)

4.9.2.1 To receive results of Planning Responsibly consultation **Received.**

4.9.2.2 To receive report from Planning Responsibly meeting held 14th December **Received.**

Meeting to be arranged to review the draft Parish Plan

4.9.3 Sports development plan / Mill Lane planning (Cllr Roger-Jones) **Refer to next meeting.**

4.9.4 Monitoring Fareham LDF / North Fareham SDA (Cllr Carter) **See report in public session.**

4.9.5 Monitoring WCC LDF (Cllr Clear / Cllr Evans) **Update included in WCC Councillor's report.**

4.9.6 Delivery of new Scout HQ (Cllr Clear) **The Scouts are nearly ready to sign the lease and keen to start on site soon.**

4.10 Reports from representatives of outside organisations including:

4.10.1 Wickham Community Association

4.10.2 Wickham Youth Club

4.10.3 Safer Neighbourhood Panel

4.10.4 Passenger Transport Group

No reports this month.

4.11 Christmas Light Switch On – report on event (Chairman)

The Christmas Light Switch On was well attended, and thanks go to Buzz, Manager of the Kings Head, and his team for converting part of the pub into Santa's Grotto for the evening, and for providing presents for the children. Also thanks to the fireman and the fire engine provided for Santa's arrival. Donations towards the cost of the event were gratefully received from Driftaway and Lou Oram. Thanks also to Fiona Knight and her choir for entertaining visitors.

4.12 Reports on other recent meetings attended by Councillors/Clerk

9th December WCC Budget options presentation / meeting with parish chairmen (Chairman) notes circulated to all councillors.

4th January Wickham Tennis Club Steering Group (Clerk) minutes circulated to all councillors.

5. Recent correspondence

Possible twinning opportunity with Hector NY (Cllr Bennett) **Refer to next meeting.**

6. Accounts for payment It was resolved to accounts shown on pages 6 and 7.

7. Questions and comments from Councillors

Boxing Day event to be included on February agenda (Cllr Bennett)

Meeting closed 10pm

Signed

Date

December 2010

	Chq no	Recipient	Amount	Notes *reimburse Clerk
1	2176	Chris Hoare	£800.00	On account payment for Christmas lights installation
2	2177	Stuart Scott	£48.00	Cut hedge in Tanfield Park
3	2178	Viking	£20.50	Postage
4	2178	Viking	£44.28	Stationery
5	2179	RG Warwick	£7.19	Fixings for Christmas lights
6	2180	Southern Electric	£21.70	Electricity for pavilion
7	2181	British Gas	£78.66	Gas for pavilion
8	2182	Wickham Community Asn	£80.11	Room hire
9	2183	Cannon	£699.13	Play area safety checks
10	2184	Revenue and Customs	£1,155.72	Employer and employee tax and NI
11	2185	Paul Collins £180.00 £200.00 £200.00 £300.00 £300.00 £180.00	£1,360.00	November Village cleaning Play area maintenance Verge/flowerbed maintenance Rec ground maintenance Additional grass cutting as precepted Clearing leaves around the village and Bridge St before Remembrance parade
12	2186	Print Cartridge Direct	£5.99	*Ink for printer
13	2186	Macro	£12.33	*Paper for meeting 14th Dec
14	2186	Nicki Oliver	£1,106.78	*November salary
15	2186	Home as office	£36.50	*Clerk's expenses November
16	2186	Telephone and internet	£31.50	*Clerk's expenses November
17	2187	HCC	£383.60	Employee and employers pension conts
		Total	£5,891.99	
		Water Meadows		
1	265	Paul Collins	£160.00	Maintenance November
		Total	£160.00	

January 2011

	Chq no	Recipient	Amount	Notes *reimburse Clerk
1	2188	Chris Hoare	£980.00	Christmas lights installation (funded through general reserve)
2	2189	Stevens & Bolton	£963.50	Legal fees Scout lease
3	2189	Stevens & Bolton	£370.13	Legal fees Knowle building and land
4	2190	Cannon	£399.50	Play area safety checks
5	2191	Hants & IOW LTA	£100.00	Places to Play registration agreed by Rec Committee
6	2192	Information Commissioner	£35.00	Data protection registration
7	2193	WCC	£195.00	Dog bin emptying July - September
8	2194	Wickham Community Association	£82.38	Room hire
9	2195	Paul Collins £180.00 £200.00 £200.00 £300.00 £300.00 £30.00 £260.00	£1,470.00	December Village cleaning Play area maintenance Verge/flowerbed maintenance Rec ground maintenance Additional grass cutting as precepted Temporary repair to Bridge St steps Clear bus stops and pavements of leaves & take to tip
10	2196	Nicki Oliver	£1,106.78	*December salary
11	2196	Home as office	£36.50	*Clerk's expenses December
12	2196	Telephone and internet	£31.50	*Clerk's expenses December
13	2196	Clerk's travelling exp	£17.69	*WCC PDC Committee 6th January
14	2197	HCC	£383.60	Employee and employers pension conts
		Total	£6,171.58	
		Water Meadows		
1	266	Paul Collins	£160.00	Maintenance December
2	266		£200.00	Clear fires from Water Meadows and remove broken glass from triangular piece of land
		Total	£360.00	