

Wickham Parish Council

GP Committee

Minutes of a meeting of the above Committee held at Wickham Community Centre on Monday 15th June at 7.45pm.

Present: Justin Gamblin (Chairman), Trevor Asbury, Angela Clear, Mike Carter, Thérèse Evans, Jenny Hollis

Parish Councillors: Colin Roke, Michael Sadler-Forster, Parish Clerk Nicki Oliver

1. **To appoint a chairman for the ensuing year** Justin Gamblin elected.
2. **To appoint a vice-chairman** Thérèse Evans elected.
3. **To receive apologies for absence** Mike Bennett.
4. **To receive declarations of interest on agenda items** Angela Clear and Thérèse Evans declared personal interests in agenda item 6.3 as District Councillors, as the issue has been discussed at Council. Jenny Hollis declared an interest in agenda item 6.1.1 as a resident of Buddens Road where lines are proposed.
5. **To adjourn meeting to allow participation by members of the public** Michael Sadler -Forster suggested that the sewage and drainage issues be added to this committee's agenda. It was agreed to ask Southern Water for an update on their proposed improvement works.

6. Agenda

6.1 To receive update on current committee projects:

6.1.1 Yellow lines to village roads (Cllr Clear/Clerk) **WCC has advised that the legal advert will be in the Hampshire Chronicle this week, there is a six week period when objections can be made. If more than 10 are received the work will be delayed further.**

6.1.2 Map of parish (Clerk) **A draft map was circulated for approval, some minor amendments to be made.**

6.1.3 Review of parking permit system in The Square (Cllr Clear) **No further news.**

6.1.4 Best Garden competition 2009 (Cllr Evans) **Entries have now closed and the judging to be arranged.**

6.2 To consider supporting the following new project proposals:

6.2.1 Refurbishment of railway bridges (Cllr Bennett) **Refer to next meeting.**

6.2.2 Chesapeake Mill turbine as tourist attraction (Cllr Bennett) **Refer to next meeting.**

6.2.3 Re-landscaping open space either side of Bridge Street junction with A32 including bridge embankments. (Chairman/Clerk) **The Chairman and Clerk have met with two landscape architects to view the space and discuss ideas. It was agreed to propose to Full Council that a budget of £500 be made available to employ Vicki Jordan to prepare two or three outline ideas for further discussion.**

6.2.4 To monitor HCC's proposed PFI street lighting scheme and review whether the PC should join. (Chairman/Clerk) **No further news.**

6.2.5 To consider proposals for additional seats in the village. **It was agreed the seat opposite the Old House Hotel should be replaced. Clerk to obtain quotes.**

6.2.6 Footpath and rights of way review. **Refer to next meeting.**

6.2.7 Speed warning signs for Winchester Road, notes circulated prior to meeting. **It was agreed to research the cost of more substantial permanent signs. The HCC information on temporary traffic warning signs to be circulated to all members.**

6.3 To consider correspondence from WCC David Boardman dated 22nd May regarding request for funding for the public conveniences and draft WCC paper dated June 2009, on district provision. **It was agreed to propose to Full Council that WCC be asked to justify the principle of charging parishes for facilities that benefit the district and also to note that Wickham has a much lower tax base than the other parishes affected, the proportional charge per household would be higher for Wickham residents.**

7. **To identify any unmanaged risks within this committee's remit.** Continue to monitor.
8. **Review effectiveness of communication, development of links with other community organisations and support for local democracy through making information more widely available.** Continue to monitor.
9. **Recent correspondence/ reports from meetings attended of relevance to this committee.** None.

Meeting closed 9.08pm