

Wrabness Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 20th September 2018 in Wrabness Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present: Mr H Jones (Chairman), Mr T Harvey, Ms R Thornton, Mr M Cole, Mr F McGowan, and Mrs J Cole

In Attendance: Mrs C Greenwood (Parish Clerk) and 5 members of the public.

2633: Apologies for absence: Mr R Colley.

2634: Declaration of interests: None item 2639: Mr Trevor Harvey

2635: Public Forum:

i. A member of the public asked about issues listed in a letter composed by a number of residents regarding anti-social behaviour on the playing field and the noise created when footballs are kicked against the fence.

A member of the public contacted the police regarding anti-social behaviour on the playing field. The police informed them that it was a community matter. The member of the public asked if the Parish Council and residents could work together to resolve the problem.

Mr H. Jones responded; The items in the letter will be addressed later in the meeting under item 2639, Playing Field.

ii. A member of the public asked about the protected sand-dunes on the Foreshore and that it is not clear what area is being protected. Mr H Jones responded: Belhaven will be placing signs.

iii. A member of the public has noticed the public footpath sign towards the foreshore has been broken, Belhaven has put up a new sign but it directs you into the water. Essex County Council might remove the footpath in front of hut 6C.

Request Belhaven to address the sign and change the direction of the arrow: **Action Mr H Jones.**

iv. A member of the public mentions the noise from the playing field fence, although the noise has been reduced the noise is still a problem.

v. A member of the public asked about the monitoring/maintenance of the rubber grommets on the fence.

Mr H Jones responded: This is monitored about once a week by volunteers and the rubber grommets are tightened when needed to help reduce the pinging noise from the fence.

The public forum was closed, and the meeting opened.

2636: Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 12th July 2018: The minutes were agreed as a true record and signed.

2637: Planning Applications:

i: 18/01294/FUL: Broadfields Primrose Hill Wrabness Essex CO11 2TZ -Replacement detached dwellings and detached double garages. No objections. All Agreed.

ii: 18/01288/FUL -10 West Foreshore Wrabness Essex CO11 2BB -Replacement hut following demolition of existing hut and deck raised by 440mm. No objections, please can the Parish Council clarify the colour of the cladding. All Agreed.

2638: Matters Arising and Actions: None.

2639: Playing Field (2600):

Mr M Cole has completed a draft of a code of conduct and read it out to the Parish Council and members of the public present.

1. *Please respect the peace and privacy of neighbouring properties by refraining from unnecessary foul language or anti-social behaviour.*
2. *Please do NOT climb fences to retrieve lost balls. Retrieval is at the discretion of the property owner. If your ball is valuable, we'd suggest using an alternative.*
3. *Use of the playing field is entirely at your own risk.*
4. *Please keep the playing field clean and tidy by using the bins provided.*
5. *For safety's sake, no glass bottles are permitted.*
6. *Given the proximity to the playground, neither smoking nor drinking alcohol is permitted anywhere within the grounds.*
7. *Unlawful/antisocial activity will be reported to the police.*
8. *Please consider our neighbours by ceasing football activities after 21:00.*

Rewording of item 2 on the code of conduct, signs inside and outside of the playing field gates and 3 quotes for the signs. All Agreed. **Action: Mr M Cole.**

Mr H Jones addressed issues in a letter composed by a number of residents regarding anti-social behaviour on the playing field and the noise created when footballs are kicked against the fence.

i: Signage/Code of Conduct: A draft has been drawn up and 3 quotes for signage will be received by the next meeting.

ii: Anti-climb vandal paint: due to the hot weather this has faded, Mr H Jones will arrange for the anti-climb paint to be re-applied. **Action: Mr H Jones**

iii: Each household backing onto the playing field, have a tin of anti-climb paint to apply as needed. This would not be cost effective or practical due to the high cost of the paint.

Mr F MacGowan mention about using spikes at the top of the fencing instead of anti-climb paint, due to the high cost of the paint and frequent reapplying. Mr H Jones will look into costing of fence spikes (Anti-Climb Guard). **Action: Mr H Jones.**

iv: Netting for the Goals. At the moment the playing field has only 1 goal netting up. Adding further netting may be a health and safety issue.

Parish Clerk has sought advice from District Councillor Zoe Fairley who has contacted Tendring District Council regarding the noise and anti-social behaviour. Councillor Zoe Fairley has asked for an informal site review of the playing fields. If the site visit hasn't been done, Parish Clerk can ask if TDC could give us advice about the netting when they carry out the informal review. **Action: Parish Clerk.**

V: Wire fencing has been ripped in several areas of the field. The Parish Council will have someone take a look. **Action: Mr H Jones.**

vi: Rubber grommets to be extended to the rest of the fencing: The grommets have been fitted to the main part of the fence, the noise has been reduced and grommets are tightened regularly, extending the grommets is unlikely to reduce the noise further.

2640: Traffic Wheatsheaf Lane (2609): Councillor Zoe Fairley has suggested a traffic survey as a possible way to properly assess safety concerns and damage to the road. An email has been sent to Councillor Carlo Guglielmi asking for his support with the traffic survey.

Councillor Carlo Guglielmi agreed on the traffic survey and has emailed Joe Hazleton ECC LHP. Waiting for an update. **Action: Parish Clerk.**

2641: Temporary Traffic Regulation Order of Black Boy Lane, Wrabness (Please click on the following link <https://roadworks.org?tm=105874977> to find details of the intended closure of Black Boy Lane, due to commence on 14th November 2018 for 3 days. The closure is required for the safety of the public and workforce while Essex County Council undertakes machine surfacing. Parish Clerk to put a poster in the village shop: **Action: Parish Clerk**

2642: Special Expenses form 2019/20 from Tendring District Council: Check to see if Wrabness Parish Council could claim special expenses for the village newsletter. **Action Parish Clerk.**

2643: Tesco Bags of Help scheme. No large projects at the moment, possibly in the future. **Action: Parish Clerk.**

2644: Tree Planting Grants from Tendring District Council: Apply for a fir tree in Station Garden: **Action: Parish Clerk.**

2645: Wrabness Community Grant Applications:

i: Wrabness W.I. They are in the very early stages of changing from W.I. to Stour ladies, which means any money left in the W.I. account will be taken by the W.I. Federation when they officially leave. They would like to apply for a community grant of £300.00 to help with set-up costs of the new group. The money would cover the start up costs of hiring the Village Hall and speakers. All agreed.

ii: Wrabness Playing Field Management Committee: Application for hire of the Village Hall on 3rd November for a jumble sale to raise money towards Playing Field. All agreed.

2646: Any other urgent Business:

i: Mr Newell, Headmaster of Wix & Wrabness Primary School has asked about good links between the school, and the Parish Council. Mr Newell has suggested a Carol Service at Wrabness Station Gardens, possible date 13th December. All Agreed. **Action Mrs J Cole.**

ii: Mrs J Cole is holding a Macmillan Coffee morning on September 28th, between 10.00 - 12.30.

2647: Reports:

<u>Footpaths:</u> i: Wall Lane Bridge, broken, hole in the bridge- ref: 2572477. Highways inspected and said no damage. Suggested sending photos of the broken bridge to Essex Highways. Action: Mr M Cole. ii; Mrs J Cole reported wire netting loose on the foot- bridge in Stour Woods. Parish Clerk to write to RSPB. Action: Parish Clerk.	<u>W.P.F. A:</u> see item 2639.
<u>Highways:</u> Nothing to report.	<u>Kiosk:</u> Suggested a large plant is put into the Kiosk. Approach Wrabness gardening club. Action: Parish Clerk
<u>Parish Plan:</u> Nothing to report.	<u>Neighbourhood Watch:</u> Dimbols Barn broken into 3 times.
<u>Station Garden</u> i:Terri from Essex & Suffolk Community Rail Partnership is sorting and paying for a plaque for Wix & Wrabness Primary School.	<u>Village Hall</u> nothing to report
<u>Foreshore:</u> <u>Nothing to report.</u>	<u>TACL/EALC</u> Nothing to report._
<u>Transport:</u> Nothing to report.	<u>Public Health:</u> Nothing to report.

2648: Accounts and monies received:

<u>RECEIVED</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
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<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>CQ</u>
Wrabness Village Hall hire 20.9.18	£ 15.00	1044
VOID		1045
W.P.F.A (Grant for hire of village hall for a fund raising jumble sale.	£15.00	1046
Stour Ladies (Grant for setting up a new Community group.)	£300.00	1047

2649: Confirmations of Account Balances:

Current Account 19th August: £2455.21

Deposit Account: 19th August: £6555.75

The meeting closed at 9.02pm

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Thursday, October 18th, 2018 in the Village Hall at 7.30pm

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