

Wrabness Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 22nd November 2018 in Wrabness Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present: Mr H Jones (Chairman), Mr R Colley, Mr T Harvey, Ms R Thornton, Mr F McGowan.

In Attendance: Mrs C Greenwood (Parish Clerk) and 0 members of the public.

2664: Apologies for absence: Mrs J Cole & Mr M Cole.

2665: Declaration of interests: None

2666: Public Forum:

The public forum was closed, and the meeting opened.

2667: Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 18th October 2018: The minutes were agreed as a true record and signed.

2668: Matters Arising and Actions:

i:Traffic Wheatsheaf Lane (2654): Traffic Survey to properly assess safety concerns and damage to the road.

Our District Councillor emailed Highway Liaison Officer for an update on the survey that was requested in the summer by Councillor Gugliemi. The Liaison Officer was unable to find any record of the request. An LHP form has been sent for the Parish Council to fill in and forward to our District Councillor who will approve and send onto the Highways Liaison Office. It was agreed to send in further photos and other evidence with the form. All Agreed

Action: Ms R Thornton/Parish Clerk.

ii:Playing Field (2639):

Signage/Code of Conduct: The Parish Clerk requested 3 quotes only received 2. All agreed to go with quote 1 (E Sign Media). It was agreed to defer going ahead with the quote until next meeting so the Parish Council could discuss wording on the signs.

Action: Parish Clerk.

Anti-climb vandal paint: The anti-climb paint has been reapplied.

Netting for the Goals/Informal Site Review

The Parish Council sought advice in the summer from District Councillor Zoe Fairley who contacted TDC regarding anti-social behaviour and noise and asking for a informal site review. This was then passed onto a Planning Officer from TDC who then passed it onto Anti-Social Behaviour Team.

At the beginning of November the request was passed onto Leadership Support & Community Team who emailed the Parish Clerk saying they are not able to help. The conclusion from TDC was that noise is to be expected around playing fields. This is the same response the Parish Council received from TDC when reported the complaint two years ago.

Regarding the netting the Parish Clerk query was passed onto Head of Sport & Leisure, waiting for a response.

Clerk.

Action: Parish

2669: Planning Application: 18/00678, 18 Dwellings, Station Road (2654)

The Parish Council sent the following letter to Tendring District Planning Officer on the 7th November outlining the Parish Councils concerns of the recent developments of the 18 dwellings.

The Parish Council has reviewed this; deferred application and requests the following additional comments are taken into account in the determination of the application:

A Village Green would be good feature next to the Village Hall. The Parish Council has long campaigned through the planning process for the allocation of a 0.2 hectare Village Green to address an acknowledged shortfall of public open space at Wrabness. The submitted details are unsatisfactory as a proposed surface water drainage infiltration basin is shown sited on the 0.2 hectare Village Green. This drainage feature compromises the recreational potential of the modest Village Green area, which is currently flat as you will have seen at your site visit. This drainage basin is also unwelcome sited so close to the Village Hall. The surface water drainage arrangements to serve the 18 home development should be so designed to avoid encroachment onto the 0.2 hectare Village Green.

Three years ago the Parish Council was informed in writing that the landowner was planning the development of the 18 homes and if successful would like to offer the proposed 0.2 hectare Village Green to the Parish as a gift. The Parish Council is shocked to recently discover that a subsequent Section 106 Agreement between the landowner and the District Council provides for the Village Green to remain under the control of a management company. This outcome is not what was offered or expected. For the avoidance of any doubt the Parish Council would like the opportunity to have and manage the new Village Green next to the Village Hall for the benefit of all. It is requested that this matter be vigorously pursued by the District Council and the landowner as the two parties to the Agreement who have this matter jointly in their gift.

The Application is due to go to the Planning committee on the 11th December, representatives from the Parish Council will be attending.

2670; 2019/2020: Budget Committee Report: Mr R Colley explained the outcome of the Budget Committee meeting and presented the proposed budget for 2019/2020

The actual spend for next year is proposed to be £7855.00, which will be offset with some reserves.

The Budget was proposed as a stand still budget. The precept for 2019/2020 will be subject to the necessary adjustments for council tax benefit recipients in the Parish still to be received from Tendring District Council.

It was proposed that the Parish Council accept the 2019/2020 budgets.

All Agreed.

2671: Wrabness Council Budget for 2019/2020 and precept requirement. It was agreed to carry this over until next meeting when Tendring District Council figures should be available.

2672: Public Inquiry into the proposed closure of the Wheatsheaf Level Crossing.(2657) In July 2017 the Parish Council made representations to the Department of Transport objecting to the Network Rail proposal to close the Wheatsheaf pedestrian level crossing, as this will diminish the utility of the public footpath network in Wrabness.

On 25 October 2018 a one day enquiry took place in Colchester on Wrabness' level crossing, Mr R Colley gave evidence on the behalf of the Parish Council against the closure of the level crossing.

The issue was not safety related, rather the issue of reducing public access points to the line. The enquiry will run through until next year before a report is submitted and decision is made.

2673: Increase in Train Noise: A resident has reported increase in train noise. Last complaint reported 2016/2017 and was due to a ballast cleaning train. The work was completed June 2017. It was suggested to report the problem and ask any reason for the increase in noise. All agreed

Action: Parish Clerk.

2674: Crime Survey from Tendring Community Safety Partnership (TCSP): Parish Councils have been asked to promote the following survey to residents. The survey will look at the following issues: -

- i: How safe do residents feel day/night,
- ii: Has their perception changed over the past year
- iii: Have they or a family member been a victim of crime
- iv: What do they feel is the main source of crime in Tendring.

To take part visit https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/foc_2018.

The survey will close at 11:30pm on 31st December 2018.

2675: Local Highways Panel: EALC have asked Councils to nominate a representative as soon as possible, as the Highway Panels meet in December, a representative has already been nominated for our area.

2676: Wrabness Environmental Award: Councillors will be asked to come up with ideas for next meeting to present the award at Wrabness Parish Annual Assembly in March.

2677: Planning Application update:

i: 18/01699/FUL - The Priory, Harwich Road, Wrabness : Erection of 4 bedroom detached dwellings with garages: Amendment to existing access road with provision of turning head. (Still waiting on a decision)

ii: 18/01529/FUL -Sunnyside Black Boy Lane Wrabness Manningtree Essex CO11 2TW: Proposal to build a modest side extension, a garden / music room and to provide secure storage for musical instruments.

Approval Full - decided 9.11.18

2678: New Planning Applications:

i: 18/01809/FUL | Replacement dwellings and detached double garages. | Broadfields Primrose Hill. Wrabness Essex CO11 2TZ: closing date for comments 28th November. No Objection. All Agreed.

2679: Any other urgent Business:

i. Two new Planning Applications this week.

18/01818/FUL: Oakfield Wood Burial Ground Ash Street Wrabness Essex CO11 2TQ -Proposed detached ceremony hall and warden's accommodation and change of use of land from agricultural use to the burial ground.

18/01901/FUL - Ness House Ash Street Wrabness Manningtree Essex CO11 2TG -Demolition of fire-damaged dwelling and erection of a replacement dwelling (revised application following 18/00636/FUL).

Arrange Extra Parish Council meeting too discuss applications once the Clerk has received hard copies.

ii; As from January 2019 Parish Council meetings will change back to Wednesdays.

2680: Reports:

<u>Footpaths</u> : Nothing to report.	<u>W.P.F. A:</u> i. AGM was held on 3rd ~December ii. Jumble sale £429.00 raised.
<u>Highways</u> Black Boy lane resurfacing completed.	<u>Kiosk</u> : The Gardening Club suggested seasonal themes such as a winter/Christmas tree followed by a planter with spring bulbs, tomatoes in Summer etc. The Gardening Club have another committee meeting next week when more committee members will be present so they propose that they will discuss it again and possibly come up with other suggestions.
<u>Foreshore</u> : Nothing to Report.	<u>Neighbourhood Watch</u> : Nothing to report.
<u>Station Garden</u> i. <u>Wix & Wrabness</u> School children singing Christmas Carol's 13th December 5.00 - 5.30 pm	<u>Village Hall</u> nothing to report.
<u>Foreshore</u> : Nothing to report.	<u>TACL/EALC</u> Nothing to report.
<u>Transport</u> : Nothing to report.	<u>Public Health</u> : Nothing to report.

2681: Accounts and monies received:

RECEIVED	AMOUNT

DISBURSEMENTS	AMOUNT	CQ
Wrabness Village Hall hire 22.11.18	£ 15.00	1051
Julia Prigg (Grant; contribution towards water bill for watering Station garden)	£20.00	1050
Wrabness Community Shop (Hire room	£30.00	1052
Wrabness Parish Clerk wages (3.7.18 - 12.11.18)	£450.36	1053
Wrabness Community Newsletter. (printing)	£70	1054

2682: Confirmations of Account Balances:

Current Account: Balance on 10th October £5277.21.

Deposit Account: Balance on 28th October £6557.00.

The meeting closed at 9.36pm

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Wednesday 2nd January 2019 in Wrabness Village Hall at 7.30pm

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