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**Minutes of the inquorate meeting of the Wickhambrook Parish Council Estates Committee
10th March 2009 at 7.30pm in the Pavilion**

Present

Cllrs. J. Walker (Chairman) and K Merritt.
P. Bayman and Peter and Pam Miller
R. Medley (Clerk)

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr. K. Sammons.

2. Declarations of interest in agenda items

P. Bayman declared an interest in Item 5.1.1.

3. Minutes of the meeting of 27th January 2009

These were signed as a correct record.

4. Matters arising

All matters would be covered by agenda items

5. Finance

5.1 Payments

5.1.1 As the meeting was inquorate the proposed payment for electricity use in the Chapel was postponed to the next Parish Council meeting.

5.2 Receipts

5.2.1 Tennis Club payment for 'ground rent' £10.50

6. Tree Warden' Report

No report was available.

The Tree Warden was unable to attend the recent training session (7th March at Lackford Lakes) and the Clerk had attended in her place. The collected paperwork was on circulation.

7. Cemetery

7.1 Safety Inspection. P. Bayman handed in the latest inspection report and commented on the build-up of organic matter in the gutters of the Chapel.

7.2 Headstone Safety. Copy correspondence of the request sent to Saxon Monumental to carry out the first batch of repairs was circulated.

8. Churchyard

The quarterly inspection report was circulated.

9. Playground

9.1 Inspection reports were handed in.

9.2 Recent damage to playground fence. The replacement timber sections had been moved to the Chapel for safe keeping.

9.3 Short Term repairs. The 'tidying under the slide' would be considered when the weather had improved.

9.4 Longer Term Improvements. Cllr. Taylor should have the time to consider this matter in the near future.

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10. Teen Project

- 10.1 Safety reports were handed in. A small fire and broken glass had been noted and dealt with.
- 10.2 Fixing of the Grindbox and replacement of net. The former would be considered when the weather improves. Details of a replacement net had been difficult to trace but these had now been found and an order would be placed in the near future.

11. Six Acres

- 11.1 An inspection report was handed in.
- 11.2 Possible barrier at 'Six Acres' entrance. A letter asking for guidance from Allianz Insurance was circulated.

12. Village Greens

- 12.1 Safety inspection reports were handed in.
- 12.2 Damage to Coltsfoot Lane. A problem with the drainage in this area resulting in the flow of large amounts of surface water could eventually affect Coltsfoot Green

13. Hedges

The Clerk gave an update. Several local hedges had been trimmed over the past two months.

14. Bus shelter

The MSC trustees had suggested that a combined public/bus shelter be erected at the front of the MSC Hall. This had received tentative support from the County Council Transport department, from County Councillor J. Midwood and from the Parish Council. Further details were awaited.

15. Date of next meeting

This would be held in the Pavilion on 19th May. Pam and Peter Miller offered their apologies.

Meeting closed at 8.40 p.m.

I confirm that the above is a correct record of the meeting held on 10th March 2009.

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Chairman

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