

**10182 Minutes of the meeting of Wickhambrook Parish Council held on
16th December 2010 at 7.30 p.m. in the MSC Hall.**

Present

Cllrs. J. Claydon (Chairman), V. Mayes, K. Merritt, K. Sammons, E. Taylor, J. Walker and J. Wilson.
Borough Cllr. Redhead.

Clerk R. Medley.

Twenty members of the public were present (Everyone, apart from Parish Council members, left at 8.45 pm)

1. Apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from County Cllr. J. Midwood and Clive Pollington

2. Minutes of Parish Council meeting on 25th November 2010

The minutes were signed as a correct record.

3. Matters Arising (for information)

3.1 Item 3.3.2 of previous minutes – indemnity cover. The Clerk gave details of recent contact with Aon Insurance.

4. Declarations of interest in agenda items

Cllr. Sammons declared an interest in 8.1.5.

OPEN SESSION

5. 5.1 Planning Application SE/10/1401; the expansion of Kelly's Meadow. All relevant paperwork was on display from 6.00pm.

Members of the public were encouraged to comment on the planning application. John Pettingale of the Steering Group outlined the latest developments. Mike Kemp asked that a recent letter suggesting that the Steering Group had access to precept monies be refuted.

5.2 Report from Borough Cllr. Redhead.

Cllr. Redhead commented on his attendance at the recent Police Forum and questioned the prioritising of such meetings.

CLOSURE OF OPEN SESSION at 8.45 pm

6. Planning Matters

6.1 Consideration of planning application SE/10/1401 Expansion of Kelly's Meadow.

Cllrs. agreed to object to the application on the following grounds –

Safety aspects of the proposed exit/entrance, the effect of hedge removal on landscape and ecological reports, overdevelopment of site, whether a need has been justified, previous comments by Planning Department staff on suggested affordable housing sites, the downgrading of Wickhambrook from Key Service Centre to Local Service Centre and the belief that the needs of the Goodey family was not the prior consideration of these proposals.

6.2 Applications considered by the Parish Council

6.2.1 SE/10/1265/6 Poplars, Meeting Green Single storey rear extension

6.2.2 SE/10/1298 Treetops, Ladys Green Single storey side extension

6.2.3 SE/10/1413 10, Wickham House Bungalows Replacement dwelling and studio

6.2.4 SE/10/1444 Gardners Cottage, Giffords Lane Erection of garage and store

6.3 Applications granted/refused/withdrawn by the Borough Council.

6.3.1 SE/10/1265/6 Poplars, Meeting Green (see above) Granted

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7. Clerk's Report

7.1 Circulated Documents

No further comments were needed on circulated documents

7.2 Other matters

7.2.1 CiLCA qualification.

Cllrs. agreed to postpone the consideration of further progress towards Quality Council Status until after the May elections.

Cllrs. resolved that the Clerk be paid for an extra 30 hours for the time spent on achieving the qualification and an additional increment be awarded.

8. Finance.

8.1 The following payments were approved.

8.1.1	001621	Workwise. Sign for Teen Project	173.90
8.1.2	001622	Suffolk County Council Cutting of recreation ground	1471.10
8.1.3	001623	Saxon Monumental Craft Repair of headstones	528.75
8.1.4	001624	P.S.Colvill Computer repair	110.00
8.1.5	001625	Rainbird Partnership Printer cartridges	69.57
8.1.6	001626	Anglian Water Bowls Club use	87.93
8.1.7	001627	R. Medley Salary for December	424.30
8.1.8	001628	Risbygate Solicitors Proof of identity	20.00
8.1.9	001629	Donation to Newstalk	50.00
8.1.10	001630	Donation to Suffolk Accident Rescue Service	50.00
8.1.11	001631	Donation to Suffolk Family Carers	50.00
8.1.12	001632	Donation to Marie Curie Cancer Care	35.00
8.1.13	001633	Donation to East Anglian Children's Hospices	35.00
8.1.14	001634	Donation to village HistoryRecorder	30.00
8.1.15	DD	TalkTalk Broadband payment for December	17.33

8.2 No income was received.

8.3 Other financial matters

8.3.1 Indemnity Insurance. Cllrs. agreed to delay the increase in cover until renewal of the annual premium.

9. Estates meeting of 7th December (Draft minutes had been previously circulated)

9.1 Headstone repairs in the Cemetery. A separate summary giving details of progress and costs had been circulated.

10. Parish Plan.

10.1 Update on progress. Cllr. Mayes explained that the grant application was almost ready. The Steering Group was hoping to co-opt a few more members and asked if the Parish Plan could have a section on the website. Cllrs. approved this request. The recently issued Localism Bill had emphasized the importance of community involvement.

10.2 Parish Plan questionnaire. Suggestions for questions included future of the Bowls Green, ideas for the Play Area, transport improvements, the identification of the most vulnerable, perception of Crime, parking outside the School and how to boost community spirit. The questionnaire would be circulated again.

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11. Report from United Charities.

Donations were about to be made to the Scouts and the village Youth Club.

12. Correspondence

12.1 Waiting restrictions in Boyden Close/Nunnery Green. Cllrs. raised the difficulty of enforcement. The matter would be carried over to the next meeting.

12.2 Car Parking charges in Bury St Edmunds. Cllrs. were not in favour and instructed the Clerk to respond accordingly.

12.3 Precept referendum letter (circulated 3.12) No additional comments were made

12.4 Journal of Planning (previously circulated) No additional comments.

12.5 Digital switchover (circulated 3.12) No additional comments

12.6 Rural News (circulated 2.12) No additional comments

13. Progress on registration of village greens

Proof of identity had been arranged by the Clerk. A letter confirming employment was being organised.

Date of next meeting.

Thursday 20th January 2011 in the MSC Pavilion at 7.30 pm.

Meeting closed at 9.35 p.m.

I confirm that the above is a correct record of the meeting held on Thursday 16th December 2010.

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