

**10077 Minutes of the meeting of Wickhambrook Parish Council held on  
27<sup>th</sup> September 2007 at 7.30 p.m. in the Pavilion**

**Present**

Cllrs. J. Claydon (Chairman), P. Bevan, K. Sammons, J. Walker and J. Wilson.

Clerk R. Medley.

County Cllr. J. Midwood, Borough Cllr. D. Redhead and Police Community Police Officer B. McKenna.

One member of the public.

**1. Apologies for absence.**

Cllr. K. Merritt.

**2. Minutes of the Parish Meeting of 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2007**

These were signed as a correct record.

**3. Matters Arising (for information)**

No matters arising.

**4. Declarations of interest in agenda items**

Cllr. Sammons declared an interest in 6.2.3 and Cllr. Wilson in 6.2.5

**5. Reports from Community Police Officer, County and Borough Councillors**

Community P.C. McKenna warned about the increase in theft of garden materials such as pots and rocks. A discussion took place about parking outside the school and inconsiderate driving of one of the school coaches. It was agreed that both situations would be closely monitored.

The County Councillor explained that more time would be allowed for consultation on the second stage of the school organisation review and that discussions were taking place on the future running of Clare Country Park.

The Borough Councillor said that his responsibilities outlined at the previous meeting were continuing.

**6. Planning**

6.1 The following applications were considered on circulation.

6.1.1 SE/07/1257 Layham Place, Post Office Hill

No objection

6.1.2 SE/07/1368/9 Innisfree, Park Gates

No objection

6.2 The following applications considered by the Borough Council were noted.

6.2.1 SE/07/1031 Post Office & Stores, Thorns Corner

Granted

6.2.2 SE/07/2875 Farley Green House

Granted

6.2.3 SE/07/1037 Samples Farm, Ashfield Green

Granted

6.2.4 SE/07/1088 8, Bunters Road

Granted

6.2.5 SE/07/1199 Genesis Green Stud

Granted

6.2.6 SE/07/1257 Layham Place, Post Office Hill

Granted

**7. Clerk's Report**

7.1 Circulated Documents.

7.1.1 Grit heaps. Several sites were suggested. The Clerk offered to complete the list and decide on priorities.

7.2 Other information.

7.2.1 The Council had been offered the chance of suggesting names of streets and squares in the the Cattle Market development.

7.2.2 It was agreed that the Register of Electors poster be displayed on both notice boards.

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**8. Finance.**

- 8.1 The following payments were approved.
  - 8.1.1 001357 Suffolk Preservation Society. Training courses for Cllr. Sammons 15.00
  - 8.1.2 001358 LubbockFine. External Audit Fee 334.88
  - 8.1.3 001359 Mdsign. Internet Services – March to May 165.97
  - 8.1.4 001360 Suffolk County Council. Return of Locality Funding 2000.00
  - 8.1.5 001361 Suffolk Constabulary. Purchase of Neighbourhood Watch signs 350.00
  - 8.1.6 001362 R. Medley. Salary for August 452.45
  - 8.1.7 001363 R. Medley. Petty Cash 50.00
- 8.2 The following income was noted.
  - 8.2.1 100393 Payment for reservation of cremation plot 56.00
- 8.3 The names of Cllrs. Harrison and Sumner had been removed from the NatWest approved signaturees list and that of Cllr. Sammons had been added.

**9. Estates Committee Report.**

- 9.1 Path to playground and ‘Teen Project’. There had been no response from the MSC.
- 9.2 Repairs to Bowls/Tennis Clubs car park. An email had been received from the Chairman of the MSC Trustees Committee suggesting that the recent improvements to the entrance to the Tennis/Bowls Clubs car park may have increased the risk of injury to football players. Councillors agreed to inspect the area before the next meeting.
- 9.3 Electricity in the Chapel. The Clerk explained that the meter had been changed and this would result in the standing charge dropping from 28.95p to 23.78p. per day.
- 9.4 The Clerk was instructed to make the usual arrangements with British Legion with regard to a wreath for Remembrance Sunday.

**10. United Charities Representatives Report.**

A meeting would held in the near future.

**11. MSC Matters**

The next meeting of MSC Trustees was to be held on October 1<sup>st</sup>.

**12. Roads, hedges, verges and drains.**

The Clerk explained that the on-site meeting with representatives from the Highways department concerning flooding at Meeting and Coltsfoot Greens, etc., was to be held on 11<sup>th</sup> October at 11.00 am. Hedges and the junction at Boydon End would also be discussed. Some potholes had been filled in recently including the one at the junction of Cloak Lane and Shop Hill, but others required attention. The Clerk was instructed to send a letter to Vestey Farms asking for the roadside hedge at Willis Farm to be trimmed.

**13. Rights of Way.**

Nothing to report.

**14. Standing Orders.**

These were in circulation.

**15. Hedgerow Survey.**

The Clerk said that he hoped around 250 hedges, half the estimated final total, would be surveyed by the end of the 2007 season.

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**16. Bowls Club.**

Information had been sent to all Parish Council clerks within a five mile radius.

**17. Update of website**

Cllr. Bevan gave reasons for needing to update the website. A 'mock-up' of the new pages would be shown at future meetings. He agreed to check on any cost.

**18. 'Affordable Housing' meeting at 7.30 pm on Thursday October 25th.**

Additional publicity was needed. The Clerk agreed to look at alternatives. A flier was the preferred option.

**19. Emergency Plan.**

The circulated sample plan met with full approval. Cllr. Sammons was happy to start producing a local version. She requested help from councillors with the geography of the area.

**20. Meeting dates for 2008**

The following dates were suggested – Thursdays 10<sup>th</sup> January, 14<sup>th</sup> February, 20<sup>th</sup> March, 24<sup>th</sup> April, 27<sup>th</sup> May, 26<sup>th</sup> June, 24<sup>th</sup> July, 28<sup>th</sup> August, 25<sup>th</sup> September, 23<sup>rd</sup> October and 27<sup>th</sup> November. It was noted that 20<sup>th</sup> March was Maunday Thursday.

**Meeting closed at 9.10 p.m.**

I confirm that the above is a correct record of the meeting held on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2007.

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