

**Wimbish Parish Council**  
**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on**  
**4<sup>th</sup> April , 2018 at 7.30 p.m.**  
**in the Pavilion, Tye Green, Wimbish**

**Present:** Mike Young, Edward Browne, Ray Searle, Ian Porter, Phil Northern

**In attendance:** Tracy Coston (Clerk)

**Public:** 0

**1. Apologies for Absence:**

**2. Councillors to declare pecuniary interests:**

UTT/18/0419/FUL Wimbish Hall Farm, Maple Lane: Mike Young declared an interest.

**3. Public Participation (15 minutes):** None

**4. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2018:** The minutes of the meeting were signed by the Chairman.

**5. District Councillor and County Councillor Report:**

**District Councillor:** Not present.

**County Councillor:** Report sent.

**6. Matters arising**

**a) Commonland:** The minutes have been looked through and further investigation is going to be carried out and a letter drafted.

**b) No Parking sign for Commonland at Wimbish Primary School:** An email has been sent to the Headteacher of Wimbish School.

**c) TPO's:** The Councillors were asked to report any trees that were worthy of a TPO in the Parish.

**d) UDC Rangers:** The rangers have been asked to cut back the brambles and tree next to the bus stop and the sign opposite the White Hart near the Howlett End.

**e) Litter pick:** The litter pick was very successful and 51 bags of rubbish were collected. Elder Street and Maple Lane had a large amount of rubbish.

**7. Planning**

**a) Applications:**

(Mike Young declared an interest and didn't take part in the discussion)

**UTT/18/0419/FUL Wimbish Hall Farm, Maple Lane**

Section 73A Retrospective application for the change of use of farm storage yard to commercial storage area.

**PC Decisions:** The PC will raise concerns about the health risk from the smell of creosote and the risk of pollution into the river from the run off.

**UTT/18/0569/FUL Myco Garden Centre, Elder Street**

Section 73A Retrospective application for change of use from office/storage to part take away for hot drinks, pre-prepared sandwiches, cakes etc. and part retail

**PC Decisions:** No objections

**UTT/18/0589/FUL Adjacent to 1 Malletts Cottage**

Conversion of existing workshop into a 2 bedroom house

**PC Decisions:** No objections

**Stansted Airport Planning Application:** The PC agreed that comments should be made by individual residents.

**b) Decisions:** None

**c) Enforcement issues:** UDC is investigating activities at Wimbish Hall Farm.

**8. Roads, Highways and Footpaths**

**a) VAS signs:** 3 signs are working and 2 are still not working. The sign near Pepples Lane and by the school is not working. Clerk to chase up with ECC.

**b) Verges:** The verges in Lower Green have been cut up by the dustcart lorry. Photos will be sent to UDC. The verge opposite the water tower has been damaged.

The dirt and rubbish from cleaning out the ditch has been left on the verge in Elder Street.

**9. Accounts**

**a) Approval of cheques:**

<b>Receipts</b>	
UDC Community Grant	£ 547.00
EALC Transparency Fund	£ 927.92
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>£ 1,474.42</b>
<b>Payments</b>	
Tracy Coston (April) including £ 458.92 Transparency fund	£ 566.52
Tracy Coston (Litterpick)	£ 95.00
E-On (D/D)	£ 11.00
HMRC	£ 150.57
Community Action Suffolk (Pavilion Insurance)	£ 225.48
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>£ 1,038.57</b>

**b) Transparency Fund:** The Clerk applied for a grant from EALC for a new laptop and hours worked on the website to maintain the website in link with the new transparency regulations.

**10. Pavilion and Recreation Ground Maintenance:**

**a) Community Project Grant Scheme 2017/18 – sign for play equipment:** The sign has been ordered.

**b) Barrier at Recreation Ground:** The posts have been installed and waiting for the barrier to be completed.

**c) Pavilion insurance – 5 year term:** The PC agreed a 5 year term.

**11. General Correspondence:**

- a) The PC received a thank you letter from Uttlesford Citizens Advice for the donation.
- b) School transport: A FOI request has been made to ECC to find out where the boundary is at Carver Barracks.
- c) Council tax base: A request for information has been made to UDC to see why the tax base has decreased for Wimbish as the number of houses has increased. The houses on the Mushroom Farm are not on Wimbish's electoral role.
- d) Data Protection: The Clerk has attended a Data Protection course at EALC.

**12. Area Report:**

- a) **Best front garden:** The PC will look into organising a competition for the best front garden in the Parish. Liz Bicknell will be asked to judge.

**13. Date of the Annual Parish meeting followed by the Annual Parish Council meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2018 at The Pavilion at 7.30 pm.**

The meeting ended at 9.00 pm

Signed .....

Dated .....