

Wimbish Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on
4th October, 2017 at 7.30 p.m.
in the Pavilion, Tye Green, Wimbish

Present: Mike Young, Edward Browne, Ian Porter, Lynne Ward-Booth and Phil Northern.

In attendance: Tracy Coston (Clerk)

Public: 1 and David Corke

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Lindy Scanlan
Mark Westbrooke has resigned from the PC.
2. **Councillors to declare pecuniary interests:** None
3. **Public Participation (15 minutes): Julia Bayliss and Nigel**
Elder Street: There are concerns about the speed of traffic increasing and increasing volume of traffic. Very dangerous when school children are crossing the road to catch the bus. The road needs to have improved signage and the VAS hasn't been working for over a year. Traffic from Carver Barracks is very fast. The residents have considered parking a car on the road to try and slow the traffic down and would like the pavement extended along Elder Street and better access to the shop.
The PC discussed the issues and said it was an issue over the whole Parish and the PC said there was lack of support from ECC and the PC had reported the VAS signs not working over a year ago and have been informed that the funding isn't available to maintain the signs. The residents said that they were willing to take part in speedwatch.
The PC will contact the Barracks (Commanding Officer) about speed of traffic leaving the Barracks.
The PC will contact UDC about wheelie bin stickers.
Clerk will ask ECC when the last data count of traffic with speed strips was carried out.
Buses: Meeting next week with ECC about the bus service. The DART service has added some extra routes, but complaints have been received about how it works.
4. **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 6th September, 2017:** The previously circulated minutes were approved and signed by the Chair.
5. **District Councillor and County Councillor Report:** Not present.
6. **Matters arising**
 - a) **Commonland:** The Open Spaces Society has given the information that there is not a 10 year ruling and there may be a 20/30 year contest but it had to be uncontested. Mike Young will explore the byelaws again.
 - b) **Website:** The website will be kept up to date by the Clerk.
 - c) **No Parking sign for Commonland at Wimbish Primary School:** Edward Browne has ordered the sign.
 - d) **Grasscuttings being dumped at recreation ground:** Every house in Tye Green will be sent a letter asking them not to dump grasscuttings on the recreation ground and details of the UDC green bin scheme will be enclosed.

7. Planning

a) Applications:

UTT/17/2649/FUL Home Pasture Stud, Top Road

Remove condition 8 (Agricultural Occupancy) from UTT/13/0209/FUL granted under appeal reference APP/C1570/A/13/2201820

PC Decision:

The Parish Council can see no reason for removing the agricultural restriction on the approved development. In the Appeal Decision dated 14 March 2014 the Inspector noted that a rural worker needed to live onsite to deal with emergencies and for the essential care of the animals. It was also noted that there would be a continuing need for the stud farm business to be subsidised by income from other sources such as the applicant's income as an author, artist and publisher. Our understanding is that financial difficulties are not a reason for removing the restriction. UDCs policy H13 details the only reasons for removing an agricultural occupancy condition and these have not been met.

b) Decisions: None

c) **Enforcement issues:** All issues are being dealt with by UDC Enforcement.

8. Roads, Highways and Footpaths

a) **Elder Street signage / B184 signage:** Chaser email to be sent next month

b) **VAS signs:** The signs still haven't been mended.

c) **Barriers at Lower Green:** Key still to be found.

d) **Speeding traffic in Parish:** Covered in public participation.

9. Accounts

a) Approval of cheques:

Payments	
Tracy Coston (October) (D/P)	£ 201.03
PKF Littlejohn Auditors	£ 276.00
Sarah Diggons (D/P)	£ 103.92
BH Grounds Maintenance	£ 3,438.35
Total Payments	£ 4,019.30

b) **Completion of 2016/17 audit:** The audit has been completed.

10. Pavilion and Recreation Ground Maintenance:

a) **Installation of Adult gym equipment:** The equipment has been installed and hopefully there will be no further issues.

b) **Community Project Grant Scheme 2017/18 – sign for play equipment:** Edward Browne will use the details from the play equipment for the sign.

c) **Play equipment inspection report:** Edward Browne and Phil Northern to discuss the work required.

d) **Dog bag holder for recreation ground:** Clerk to purchase a dog dispenser and bags.

e) **Window to be mended at pavilion:** The window will be mended at the pavilion.

f) **Barrier at Recreation Ground:** The barrier is in the process of being made.

11. General Correspondence: All emailed

12. Area Report:

a) Community Orchard: A resident has asked about creating a Community Orchard. Clerk to pass on details to Mike Young about the Balsham Community Orchard.

13. Date of the Parish Council meeting on 1st November, 2017 at The Pavilion at 7.30 pm.

The meeting ended at 8.50 pm

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