

WANGFORD WITH HENHAM PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Date of Meeting: 10th October 2017

Present: Chairman Cllr A Smith, Cllrs Jackson, Hayes, Farrands, S Smith, Shepherd, Miller, Ives & Carter
In attendance: Mrs J Brown, Clerk & 2 members of the public.

1 Opening—The meeting was declared open at 8pm.

2 Declarations of Interest – Cllr Hayes Item 10 – The Messenger.

3 Receipt and Acceptance of Apologies for Absence Cllr Shepherd & D Cllr Cackett – Holidays proposed
Cllr A Smith af

PUBLIC FORUM: To include reports from County/District Councillors.

C Cllr Goldson has another meeting and may not be able to attend and asked Cllr Hayes to tell the meeting that a consultation is to be opened re the increase in size of Wangford Quarry, Hill Road. Mr Daniels of Cemex is to speak at next month's meeting and plans to hire the hall for a public meeting.

4 Acceptance of the Minutes of the meeting held on 12th September 2017

The minutes have been circulated - Cllr Hayes proposed acceptance, 2nd Cllr Smith, 1 abstention 8 in favour. Signed by the Chairman.

5 Matters arising from the minutes

Bins for the laybys on the A12. – Cllr S Smith has received a quote from Broxap for 4 x large red plastic bins and fixings £1,206.00 inc vat with a logo, one along the lines of 'sponsored by Latitude Festival' would be appropriate, he proposed to accept this quote and arrange for someone to fix the bins, 2nd Cllr Farrands aif.

Request for reduction of speed limit on A145 – No progress.

Adult fitness equipment – This type of equipment is extremely expensive, approx. £10,000.00 per item and high maintenance. The Cllrs are not convinced that the outlay would justify the amount of use it would get but will keep the item on the agenda.

Amount of hits for the PC on the website. Mr Tassinari who runs Wangfordweb sent through a report which appears to show 11 quick views in September.

6 Reports

a Crime Report – July 1 x Bicycle theft, Church Close – investigation complete, no suspect identified. 1 x asb, Norfolk Road. August 1 x Other theft, Church Close - Under investigation.

b Allotments & Garages - Most of the rents have been collected, the clerk is to chase up the rest, there are several vacant allotment plots which will be advertised in the Southwold Gazette once all the tenants have paid. The concrete garage bases and allotment numbers will done over the autumn and winter.

c Play equipment inspection report. There are only medium risk faults highlighted by the report – cleaning matting and steps and repairs to the bench etc, Cllr A Smith will organise this work.

d Emergency Plan – No progress

e VAS – The sign is back near the Farm Shop.

f Any other Councillor reports. Cllr Hayes said that the footpath along the A12 up to the Old School has been nearly cleared, Cllr A Smith has written to Mr Rouse to thank him for the work done so far – it is much appreciated.

7 Finance

a) Accounts awaiting payment –	Net	VAT	Total
J Brown, Clerk's Pay & expenses			296.18
R Tassinari, Website			33.00
J Spurdens – Rodent control Oct, Nov & Dec			50.00
Total cheques 3			£379.18

Cllr Farrands proposed acceptance of these accounts, seconded Cllr Jackson, aif

b Accounts already paid - None

c Receipts - HMRC Vat reclaimed £334.68

d Bank Statement Figures- 26th September 2017 C A : £8,015.83 BSA- £14,209.52

e Internet Banking – The Clerk has written to Barclays to complain again at the lack of progress

f Presentation of Bank Reconciliation

g Presentation of Precept Budget – to be discussed at a later meeting.

8.20 The meeting was closed for Cllr Goldson to make his report: He is now on WDC’s Planning Committee which he feels is important with all the proposed new developments to take place in the Waveney area he apologised that as these meetings clash with WPC’s he will not be able to make many appearances here, but reassured the PC that they should get in touch with him with any problems or questions as before. Mark Kerridge has been promoted so all complaints on Highways should be reported through SCC’s website.

8.23 Meeting reopened.

8 Correspondence

E Partridge – request for a dog friendly area near the allotments. All the grassed land around the Community Centre is designated as either allotments or as a play area, where dogs are banned by Public Space Protection Order.
Halesworth Town Council – request for financial help towards maintaining the 1 hour free parking in the town centre. To be discussed at November’s meeting.

9 Planning –

a Applications Rec’d

DC/17/4213/TC9 Trees at Pips Cottage. There was insufficient information on the application form to make an informed comment , and also some question over the ownership of the land on which T2 stands. The Clerk to inform WDC Planning.

b Decisions Rec’d

DC/17/3040/FUL Mr Mrs King 23 Church St. Extension to rear of garage and replace roof. GRANTED 3 conditions

10 Any other business

Support for The Messenger – Cllr Hayes reported that the parish magazine may have to be made smaller – 4 pages instead of 12 due to a lack of advertising revenue which previously paid for the cost of printing. Money saving/making ideas were suggested – Change printers, lower the cost of advertising which is much higher than other publications with a smaller readership, and charging customers. Cllr Hayes will put these ideas to Mrs Taylor.

11 Close There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 8.56 pm.

Signed.....Chairman

Date: 14th November 2017