

WRABNESS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 12TH June 2019 in Wrabness Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present: Mr. M Cole (Chairman), Mr. R Colley (Vice Chairman), Ms. R Thornton, Mr. F McGowan, Mrs. J Cole, Mrs. L Byrne

In Attendance : Mrs. C Greenwood (Parish Clerk)

2756: Apologies for absence: Mr. H Jones

2757 Declaration of interests: I: Ms. R Thornton Rachel item - 2771 (Planning Application: 19/0367/FUL).

II: Mr. R Colley item – 2771 (Planning Application: 19/00739/FUL)

2758: Public forum:

Mr. A Davidson had received some negative comments on social media regarding the placing of soil along the verges of the northern section of Wheatsheaf Lane and wanted to explain the history and present issues with the lane. Mr. Davidson explained that when he purchased the farm 39 years ago, there were no pulling in points along Wheatsheaf Lane which have been created by increasing traffic. The pulling in points at the bottom of Wheatsheaf Lane were sold, now Mr. Davidson just owns the pulling in points at the top of the lane and has he maintained the lane for 39 years.

Four years after purchasing the farm, Mr. A. Davidson put in a drainage system with blue markers. These markers were 3 feet away from the edge of the road and are now a foot away. Mr. A Davidson has a map from when the drainage was put in and anyone is welcome to view it. Mr. A. Davidson is concerned at some point the underground main drainage is going to be damaged and the lane would need to be closed, Mr. A. Davidson would like to point out the lane is not suitable for vehicles passing each other.

2759: Minutes of the meeting held: on Wednesday 17th April 2019. The Minutes were agreed as a true record and signed.

2760: Matters Arising and Actions: None.

2761: Playing Field: i: It was agreed at the April meeting that the Parish Council would discuss a request from a resident about arranging a meeting regarding anti-social behaviour at the Playing Field. Since the Parish Council's meeting in April there has been no anti-social behaviour on the playing field reported. Mrs. L Byrne suggested we log any reported anti-social behaviour and monitor.

ii: Code of Conduct Signs will be fitted next week. **No Further Action.**

2762: Traffic Wheatsheaf Lane: i: LHP forms, photos have been submitted to Essex Highways, Assistant Liaison Officer. Councillor Carlo Guglielmi has agreed the resubmission of the scheme.

ii: A letter dated 15th May and an email sent 16th May from residents raising concerns regarding HGV's attempting to pass each other, and thus damaging verges has been passed to Essex Highways' Assistant Highway Liaison Officer.

2763: Anti-Social Behaviour Church Road, A resident reported anti-social behaviour to 101 (Police non-emergency number), 3 youths had spray painted the road, possibly smoking cannabis and driving. The resident was told to report the incident to the Council. Unhappy with the response the resident sent an email outlining their concerns to Tendring Community Policing Team and copied in our District Councillor and the Parish Council. Councillor Zoe Fairley contacted TDC's Safer Communities Manager. Outcome: Policing Team in Harwich have now dealt with the complaint and generated a report of ASB. The spray paint is still left on the road which needs urgent attention. Essex Highways will be requested to remove the paint from the road. All Agreed.

Action: Parish Clerk

2764: Fly Tipping: A resident has reported garden waste tipped behind the Station Garden. It has now been re-moved. **No Further Action**

2765: Oak Tree crown reduction: At the April meeting a resident requested if the oak tree at the playing field entrance could be cut back. The Parish Council received an email from another resident on 11.6.19 requesting the oak tree be cut back. The last crown reduction was September 2015. It was suggested the Parish Council seek advice from Tendring District Council Tree and Landscape Officer. Mrs J Cole has offered to meet with TDC's Tree and Landscape Officer. All Agreed.

Action Parish Clerk/Mrs J Cole.

2766: New Community Initiative Fund: The Parish Council applied for a yearly grant towards the cost of the maintenance of W.P.F. in March. The Local Service Fund has since been put on hold, EALC was waiting authorization from Essex County Council on the new fund guidelines. The new fund has now been relaunched; we are waiting to see if the pre-application sent in March will be pre-approved.
Action: Parish Clerk

2767: Environment Agency consultation: draft national flood and coastal erosion risk management strategy for England:

The Parish Council received an email on 28th May from the East Anglia Environment Agency's Flood Resilience Engagement Advisor regarding a new consultation on the draft national flood and coastal erosion risk management strategy for England. The Secretary of State for Defra in his climate change speech last year recognised that we need to "explore new philosophies around flood and coast management". The draft strategy begins that process. The consultation is an opportunity for organisations and individuals to put their views across on those new philosophies and the level of ambition within the draft strategy.

The draft strategy sets out a vision for "a nation ready for, and resilient to, flooding and coastal change – today, tomorrow and to the year 2100." It has three ambitions:

- Climate resilient places;
- Today's growth and infrastructure to be resilient in tomorrow's climate
- A nation of climate champions, able to adapt to flooding and coastal change through innovation

The consultation runs until 4 July and organisations and individuals are invited to respond to the consultation online. Mr R Colley has offered to complete the survey on the behalf of the Parish Council: All Agreed.

Action: Mr R Colley

<https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/fcrm/national-strategy-public/> Contact: 0203 02 57484
extension: 57484

2768: Salt Bag Partnership 2019/20 season: After some discussion it was decided the Parish Council wanted to stay in the Essex Highway Winter salt scheme but do not require any more salt. All agreed. **Action: Parish Clerk.**

2770: Wrabness Community Grant Application: i Wrabfest have requested a Community Grant for hire of the Village Hall to have an open day to make decorations for this year's Wrabfest. Agree in principle subject to sufficient information being received. All agreed. **Action: Parish Clerk**

2771: Planning Applications:

i: 19/00739/FUL – Ness House, Ash Street, Wrabness – Erection of a three-bay cart lodge with log store. Application withdrawn on 5th June 2019. The proposal was considered too large and close to the side boundary and in conjunction with the new house would urbanise that part of the street scene. Those voting opposed the application.

ii: 19/00695/FUL – Briarfield, Butlers Lane, Wrabness – Proposed replacement from conservatory, single storey front & side extension also replacement of roof tiles. The Parish Council are concerned about the size of the extension on the boundary: Neutral – All Agreed.

iii: 19/00697/FUL – Freshfields, Ash Street, Wrabness – Proposed alterations to existing windows & doors, insertion of Velux Cabrio balconies to rear elevation, alterations to external areas. No objections or comments: All Agreed.

iv; 19/00518/FUL – Steeple Ash Street, Wrabness. – Proposed demolition of existing 3-bedroom dwelling and erection of 3-bedroom dwelling. Replacement doors to garage block. Amended plans – no objections all agreed. No objections or comments. All agreed.

v: 19/0367/FUL: The Priory Harwich Road Wrabness Manningtree Essex CO11 2UG - Proposed 4 no. four-bed detached dwellings with garages, amendment to existing access road plus provision of turning head has been refused by Tendring District Council. The Parish Council has been notified that an appeal has been lodged to the Secretary of State against the refusal of the application. The Parish Council objection to the application will be taken into account in the determination of this appeal. The position was noted: All Agreed.

2772: Accounts year ending 2018/2019:

Year-end accounts were approved, signed and are ready to be sent to the external auditors. The Parish Council expressed their thanks to Mr. C Orlopp (internal auditor) for preparing the accounts which is done on a voluntary basis.

2773: Review of Parish Council insurance:

Community Action Suffolk have recently reviewed the Business Services at CAS Ltd Parish Council Insurance Scheme. They have developed a brand-new policy – Parish Protect - to meet the changing needs of the modern Parish Council. The new policy will be underwritten by Royal and Sun Alliance Insurance Group. The Parish will continue to deal with CAS who have produced the insurance renewal for Wrabness Parish Council on the new Parish Protect policy. The Parish Council agreed to take up the offer of a new Long-Term Parish Protect Policy, 3 years, underwriter Royal and Sun Alliance Group. All Agreed: **Action: Parish Clerk.**

2774: Review Reports:

Mr. M Cole: Highways.

Mr. R Colley: Transport.

Mr. H Jones: Neighborhood Watch, Foreshore, Village Hall

Ms. R Thornton: Public Health

Mr. F McGowan: Footpaths.

Mrs. J Cole: Kiosk, Station Garden.

Mrs. L Byrne: W.P.F.A.

2775: ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

i: Pat Smith PCSO sent an email to Parish Councils in his area introducing herself. Pat Smith is a Police Community Support Officer based in our new Community Policing Team at Harwich Police Station. The team was set up on the 2nd of April this year and consists of a Sergeant, 3 PC's and two PCSO's. PC Steph Triscott and Pat Smith are responsible for the Mistley, Manningtree and Lawford areas as well as others.

ii: LHP meeting: On Monday 24th June, Councillor Zoe Fairley has the opportunity to have a meeting with Tom English ECC Highways to discuss highway issues within our area.

2776: REPORTS

<p>HIGHWAYS Mr M Cole, Ms R Thornton and Mr F McGowan met with Councillor Zoe Fairley, Councillor Carlo Guglielmi, Mr and Mrs Jarratt at Butlers Lane. Councillor Fairley and Councillor Guglielmi agreed the chevron sign and warning triangle sign needs replacing. Mr M Cole suggested solid white lines along the road.</p> <p>The footpath along Harwich Road by the Council Houses needs attention. Action: Mr M Cole</p>	<p>FOOTPATHS: Nothing to report.</p>
<p>VILLAGE HALL: Nothing to Report.</p>	<p>W.P.F.A Nothing to report</p>
<p>FORESHORE/LIASION: Mr. R Colley represented the Parish Council at Balhaven AGM which included an update about proposed foreshore works to tackle coast erosion. The planning application for a foreshore</p>	<p>STATION GARDEN. Nothing to report.</p>

protection scheme has been granted. Balhaven are reviewing camping on their land.	
PUBLIC HEALTH: Arrangements for refresher course. - Mr. R Colley contacted Harwich First Responders and they have agreed to do a defibrillator training course at the Village Hall and Mr Colley will arrange the date. Ms. R Thornton will arrange volunteers to help with the arrangements on the day. Action: Ms. R Thornton	NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH: Nothing to report
KIOSK: Mrs. Jane Cole has steps for the Kiosk, just needs plant donations.	TRANSPORT: Miss R Thornton asked if a public bus could be rerouted into the village as the bus stop on Harwich Road is too far for some elderly residents to walk too. Parish Clerk to contact First Bus. Action: Parish Clerk.

2777; ACCOUNTS AND MONIES RECEIVED:

RECEIVED	AMOUNT
Wrabness Newsletter account balance closure.	£178.18

DISBURSEMENTS	AMOUNT	CQ
Wrabness Village Hall Hire 8.5.19 & 12.6.19	£30.00	1106
Defibrillation Pads (St Johns) Reimburse Mr. R Colley	£118.00	1107
Wrabness Newsletter reimburse printing F. Caslake.	£60.50	1105

2778: Confirmations of Account Balances:

Current Account: Balance on: 19th May 2019, £5115.79

Deposit Account: Balance on: 19th May 2019 £6591.52

The meeting closed: 9.35pm

The next Wrabness Parish Council Meeting:

Wednesday 24th July 2019 in Wrabness Village Hall at 7.30pm.

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