



WRABNESS PARISH COUNCIL Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on 17th February 2021 via Zoom at 7.30pm

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

In Attendance : Mrs. C Greenwood (Parish Clerk)

2980 Apologies for absence: None

2981: Declaration of interests: none

2982 Public forum: The public forum was closed, and meeting opened.

2983 Approval of Minutes - The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 20th January 2021 were agreed as a true record.

2984 Matters arising and actions.

a. Speed Limits: (2947, a) carried forward to next meeting:

Action Mr. M Cole

b. Parking issues: Wall Lane, Church Road, Rectory Road (2947, b) carried forward to next meeting:

Action Mr. M Cole

c. Please Pick Up After Your Dog Signs (2965). **Mrs. L Byrne gave an update:** Stickers have been put up around the parish – there are a few left. If residents know of any other places that would be suitable, please contact the Parish Clerk.

2985 Wrabness Parish Council Website (2968) As discussed at our January meeting BT, the website host for Wrabness Parish Council, is withdrawing its service on 24th May 2021.

Mr. R Colley reported on a range of options. We have enjoyed free web addresses since 2013. However, both times we move our WPC web site from a free platform we have to change our web address. Mr Colley proposed we acquire a bespoke web address which can be retained irrespective of any changes to our service provider – just like a property address or telephone number. Research shows that we could acquire an appropriate address from a provider such as wrabness-pc.co.uk for less than £10 per annum.

A range of web site providers had been examined. On balance it is considered we should continue with a free service and the HugoFox service, used by 450 parish councils, would meet our needs. The HugoFox free option will enable us to build the web site using our own web address that should look better on a laptop, tablet or smart phone than our current web site.

Recommendation: That we obtain a Wrabness Parish Council co.uk web address at modest cost that can be retained should the need arise move web platforms in future.

Recommended: That the Parish Council establishes a free Bronze account with the HugoFox parish council web service as the basis for our new web site to replace our current BT Community based web site.

All agreed. Action Mr R Colley

2986 (Wrabness Environmental Award: (2969): Last month after discussion it was proposed that Joe Seaman should be put forward for this year's Environmental Award in recognition of his contribution to improving the environment for the benefit of others in the parish by planting trees on land adjacent to Harwich Road, Wrabness.

All Agreed. Action: Ms R Thornton/Mr R Colley

2987 Wrabness Playing Field Annual Management Fee. The Playing Field is maintained by WPFA under terms of a Service Level Agreement. WPFA submitted information about expenditure incurred during 2020. It had been budgeted to increase the Parish Council management fee to £1500.00. It was agreed to pay the annual Management fee of £1,500.00

All agreed. Action Parish Clerk

2988: Planning Applications:

a: 20/01776/FUL – Newlands, Primrose Hill, Wrabness, Manningtree, Essex CO11 2TZ - Single storey rear extension, 5m depth and 3.1m height. (Please see item 10b) - No objections: All agreed. **Action: Parish Clerk**

2989: Application updates:

20/01730/FUL - Holbrook View Rectory Road Wrabness Manningtree Essex CO11 2TS: Demolition of side extension and addition of side and rear extensions to existing house. (2972 a) - Approval Full on 4.2.21

(b) 20/01776/HHPNOT | Single storey rear extension, 5m depth and 3.1m height. | Newlands, Primrose Hill Wrabness, Manningtree, Essex CO11 2TZ: INFORMATION ONLY: NO COMMENTS ARE REQUIRED. (2972 b) Application has changed and requires planning permission

2990: Notifications:

(a) National Rail works in Wrabness.

Rail embankment strengthening works will begin with vegetation clearance, carried out at Stour and Copperas Woods starting from today (Monday 8 February 2021). This initial step should conclude on Friday 2 April 2021; however, this depends on the progress made. The embankment strengthening works are scheduled to take place Monday 24 May 2021 to Monday 24 April 2022.

(b) Census 2021 (2974 a) – The official census date is Sunday 21st March 2021, but Census 2021 will be the first time that everyone will be able to complete the census online. There will be a paper based option for households without access to the internet. A census has taken place in England every ten years since 1801 (with exception of 1941) A census gathers information about our society so that appropriate services can be put in place for everyone.

The census is run by the Office for National Statistics (ONS) which operates completely independently of the government and of any private sector interests. No personal data is sold nor is it shared with any other government department. Information from census is only released after 100 years.

You will receive a letter with a unique access code and will be able to complete the census online using any device. The paper option will still be available if needed. For more information go to: <https://census.gov.uk/> or phone 01329 444972.

(c) Covid 19 current alert level: National Lockdown.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-lockdown-stay-at-home>

2991: Information Only:

Parish Council Meetings:

Public meetings are still not possible due to the pandemic. Meetings will be held virtually via Zoom as an alternative. The Parish Council will keep the matter under review in line with EALC advice. Last week EALC confirmed we can hold our Parish Annual Assembly on the 17th March via zoom. Following the Annual Assembly will be the Parish Council monthly meeting

2992: Any Other Business

Fly tipping Wall Lane: During February Mr. R Colley has reported incidents of flytipping in Wall Lane to Tendring District Council and the rubbish has been cleared.

2993: Reports:

HIGHWAYS: Manhole cover near Red Barn needs a cover. Mr H Jones as reported to Essex Highways.	MICRO GRANTS: monthly grant up to £500.00: Nothing to report.
VILLAGE HALL: Update Mr H Jones: The Village Hall is closed. The Committee are waiting for the Government update on 22.2.21	WPFA: Mrs L Byrne gave an update: Playing field open – no problems reported.
FORESHORE: Nothing to report.	STATION GARDEN: Nothing to report
PUBLIC HEALTH: Nothing to report.	NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH: Nothing to report
KIOSK: The display of plants brighten up the street scene.	TRANSPORT. Mr R Colley gave an update: The Community Transport service has been used by some Wrabness residents to get to the Covid vaccine centre.

<p>FOOTPATHS –Update Mr. H Jones: Signs have been erected on the public walking routes affected by the embankment works on the tracks leading to Strandlands. To the north of the railway bridge following on from the RSPB woodland trail new signage includes Private Land, No Public access or right of way. This has caused local comment as many residents have walked this track for decades without problems although the route does not appear on the POW map.</p> <p>Footpaths on the Harwich Road, uplifting pavement: contact Councillor Carlo Guglielmi: Carry forward to next meeting. Action Mr. M Cole</p>	<p>OPEN SPACE, Land South of Station Road: Nothing to report.</p>

2994: Accounts and monies received:

RECEIVED	AMOUNT	DISBURSEMENTS	AMOUNT	CQ
		Autoprint Vinyl Dog mess posters	£48.00	001142
		Wrabness Playing Field Committee management fee	£1,500	001143

2995: Confirmations of Account Balances:

Current Account: Balance on 20th December 2020: £5183.99

Deposit Account: Balance on 19th January 2021 - £6684.64

Date and Time of next Wrabness Parish Council meeting & Wrabness Parish Annual Assembly will be on 17th March 2021 at 7.30pm via Zoom

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Meeting Closed at 21.10pm