

Wickwar Parish Council

Minutes

A meeting was held for the above Council on Wednesday 5th April 2017, at the Town Hall commencing at 7.00pm.

Attended:

- Councillor M Summers (Chairman)
- Councillor M Cowley (Vice Chairman)
- Councillor I Aldous
- Councillor A Carroll
- Councillor A Pennington
- Councillor G Fielding

Apologies:

- Councillor S Isaac

Clerk:

- Mrs P Trull

Ward Councillor M Lewis attended this meeting.

Declarations of Interest at this meeting

None

Public Time

Parishioners attending this meeting complained about the lack of information received from Virgin Media concerning the recent works in the Village, Mr D Kelly (Virgin Media representative) attended this meeting and promised to address issues raised. Such as poor workmanship, blocked drains and damage to pavements. Parishioners also raised the issue of letters received to allow access onto private land, Mr Kelly said these letters should not have been sent out. If you have received one please contact Mr Kelly and not to sign anything for the time being. David.Kelly@virginmedia.co.uk Mobile: 07736 300783.

Noted signage for the diversions was noted as ambiguous, and not clear as to where the diversion is sending drivers.

The Lack of response and information to parishioners and the Parish Council from Virgin Media and South Glos Council is typical. From South Glos Council and Ward Councillor. Who both believe they are doing a good job?

1. To AGREE whether the Draft Minutes of the last meeting should be signed as a record of the last meeting

The Minutes of the last meeting held on the 1st March 2017 were signed by the Chairman and agreed by the Council.

2. Planning – for the Council to DISCUSS and AGREE their response to the following planning applications

PK17/0495/O - Rose Cottage 1 Horwood Lane Wickwar Wotton Under Edge South Gloucestershire
Erection of 1no detached dwelling (outline) with access to be determined: all other matters reserved.

Objection

PK17/0930/F - Hall End Lane Wickwar Wotton Under Edge South Gloucestershire GL12 8PD
Change of use from Agricultural Land (Sui Generis) to Recreational Land (Class D2) as defined in Town and Country (Use Classes) Order 1987 (as amended)

Objection

PK17/1173/O - Leechpool Dairy Farm Tanhouse Lane Yate Bristol South Gloucestershire
Description: Erection of 3no. dwellings (Outline) with all matters reserved.

No objection

3. To receive a verbal report from Ward Councillor

Regional Mayor election on the 4th May 2017. There are 6 candidates to choose from. Make your first and second choice on the ballot form.

4. Register of correspondence received

Noted

5. To RECEIVE verbal Reports from Councillors who are Trustees or committee members of the organisations listed below:

- King George V Playing Fields
Tenders sought for grass cutting. Advertised in the Parish News, Notice Board, Web site and Gazette, due date 31st March 2017. Tenders received, and noted.
Councillor I Aldous proposed Dave Howse tender for acceptance, seconded by Councillor M Cowley. All Councillors in favour therefore the motion was carried.
Football Club application to erect a Wickwar Wanderers sign on the Pavilion. No reply from Club.
- To NOTE Clerk and Councillor A Carroll booked on Playground management course (GPFA) 27th April 2017. Noted
- To NOTE and RECEIVE Play equipment inspection - Noted
- Community Centre – Parish News – Centre in need of a new booking secretary and new membership for the committee.
- Town Hall – Town Hall upper meeting room new decoration. Tenders received. Councillor Ian Aldous proposed Mr T Gardner undertake the works, seconded by Councillor A Carroll, six Councillors voted, two Councillors abstained from voting. Therefore, the motion was carried.
- Youth Club -No report

6. General Business

- To CONSIDER and AGREE ALCA subscription 2017/2018 - £350.67 – Proposed to accept subscription Councillor A Carroll, seconded by Councillor A Pennington all in favour therefore the motion was carried.
- To NOTE and CONSIDER representation from Goodman Nash re Town Hall rating. Mr Omar Khan, Client Account Manager attended this meeting to explain to the

Parish Council on obtaining a rebate for rates paid on the Town Hall. The Clerk will make enquiries.

- Parish Council to consider Grant application. Resilient Energy Generating solutions for people & planet is being considered for a grant for the Parish – Councillor Fielding. Noted.
- Kayleigh Bagley- Virgin Media Community Liaison Officer – Re High Street Closure 10th April 2017 for approx. 4 days. Dealt with in the Public Time session.
- To CONSIDER and AGREE grant application from Sharpness Life Boat Station. Grant application proposed by Councillor Cowley for £200 seconded by Councillor A Carroll. Counter proposal by Councillor G Fielding for £150 no second. Therefore, the motion was carried for £200. All in favour.
- To CONSIDER - Town Hall Lottery Fund application update. – Councillor G Fielding. Noted
- TO CONSIDER and AGREE dates for the Annual Parish Meeting and Annual meeting of the Parish Council. Date agreed Thursday 18th May 2017.
- To CONSIDER Parish Council marketing. Undertaken by Councillor Fielding. Noted.

7. Burial Matters

Note area in closed cemetery marked out for wild flowers.

8. Finance

To NOTE the Wickwar PC Expenditure Table and then DECIDE whether the Following Cheques should be signed:

HMRC – PC NI	£97.19
P Trull HP INK (VAT £1.33)	£7.99
P Trull – HMRC end of year tax to date	£40.00
P Trull ALCA Information Governance Course	£60.00
ALCA Subscription 2017/2018	£350.67
Walker Fire UK Town Hall (VAT £28.79)	£172.74
South Glos Council – waste and dog bins (VAT £52.71)	£316.26
Severn Area Rescue Association Sect 137 grant	£200.00

Staff costs April 2017 (Clerk pay date 20th March 2017) £1466.91

Direct Debits Standing Orders March 2017

BT Parish Council Phone Account (VAT £15.42)	£92.54
Town Hall N Power	£15.00
Plus net	£24.60

Income March 2017

None

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on Wednesday 3rd May 2017 at the Town Hall commencing at 7pm