

Wickwar Parish Council

Minutes

A meeting was held for the above Council on Wednesday 5th September 2018, at the Town Hall commencing at 7pm.

Attended:

Councillor M Summers – Chairman
Councillor S Isaac – Vice Chairman
Councillor A Carroll
Councillor G Fielding
Councillor C Maidment

Clerk:

Mrs P Trull

Apologies:

Councillor I Aldous
Councillor A Pennington

Public Time

Parishioners attending discussed the loss of the village shop. Villages local to Wickwar have a community shop. Premises is an issue in Wickwar. Wickwar Parish Council Chairman wrote to 10 local retailers asking them if they have an interest in opening a shop in Wickwar, but none were interested.

Newspapers were delivered to the Spar shop, but as that has closed, a parishioner has taken over this service. The papers are delivered to Wickwar and placed in a secure box outside the Buthay Pub. The need for a more secure box is needed and the Clerk will look into this.

Parishioner attending raised concerns over the overgrowth in the closed parish cemetery. Causing damage to the stones.

To NOTE and RECORD Declaration of Interests relevant to this meeting.

Noted

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

Minutes of the last meeting held on the 4th July 2018 were duly signed.

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

PK18/3166/F - 77 High Street Wickwar Wotton Under Edge South Gloucestershire GL12 8NP

Replacement of existing sloping roof with a pitched roof to facilitate a first-floor rear extension and erection of single storey side-rear extension.

No objection

PK18/3258/LB -The Granary Barn Tanhouse Lane Yate South Gloucestershire BS37 7QL

Erection of single storey link extension to form additional living Accommodation

No objection

PK18/3443/F - Yate Court Farm Limekiln Road Yate Bristol South

Gloucestershire

Demolition of existing garage and erection of replacement garage. Internal and external renovations to farmhouse/ utility room. Renovation works to chicken shed, cattle barn and shearing shed. Replacement and re-siting of oil tank, renovation of Turret (resubmission of PK17/5745/F)

No objection

PK18/3118/PDR - 134 Inglestone Road Wickwar Wotton Under Edge South Gloucestershire

Erection of rear conservatory to provide additional living GL12 8PJ accommodation.

No objection

3. To RECEIVE a verbal Report from the Ward Councillor

Planning enforcement re property in Turnpike Gate, enclosing open space, no enforcement to be undertaken.

Health Scrutiny Committee view of provision of Health Centres and medical care is proven to be insufficient. Population and housing increasing and the need for new Health Centre is need in this area.

Thornbury Hospital and Frenchay Hospital sites, need for social care facility, social housing and extra care housing.

Marian Gilpin was made aware of the recent house fire in Wickwar and has been giving advice and help to the occupants.

Traffic issues in Wickwar are still ongoing and cannot be properly addressed until building of houses commences and the section 106 monies can be released. However, £10,000 will be made available from October 2018. The Parish Council wish to be involved with any traffic schemes and road crossing schemes.

Raised tables will be implemented along the Sodbury Road, forcing cars to slow down.

There will be no traffic lights to the entrance of the development.

Councillor Colin Maidment raised the issues of road crossing schemes brought to the attention of South Glos Council and Ward Councillor over 12 months ago have yet to be addressed, Councillor Maidment is expressing concerns raised by Wickwar parishioners.

Bollards along the pavement was brought forward by parishioners along Sodbury Road, adjacent to the Youth Club and the Stables bed and breakfast to prevent cars from parking on the pavement. But the Parish Council has already agreed with South Glos that this area needs to be double yellow lined along with the High Street entrance to Back Lane. Monies will be made available from the section 106 monies.

Joint Spatial Plan still being considered by Central Government.

Planning Decision process from July 2018. South Glos Planning will not be consulting the individual regarding their views on planning applications. They will have to consult their parish council and ward councillor. People will not be able to have their say at site meetings or committee meetings. South Glos will now have two sub committees one for larger planning applications and one for smaller.

4. Register of correspondence received

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

- **King George V Playing Fields –**
The works previously agreed by the Council for swings installation to be undertaken by D R Howse Services has not transpired. The second-best quote was from GB Sports & Leisure. Therefore, it was agreed by the Council to instruct GB Sports & Leisure to undertake the installation of the swings as soon as possible.
To NOTE and RECEIVE Play equipment inspection - Noted
- **Youth Club – To CONSIDER and AGREE grant application Wickwar Youth Club**
Councillor S Isaac proposed a grant of £4800, seconded by Councillor C Maidment. Five Councillors voting. Three Councillors for the proposal and two abstaining from vote. Therefore, the motion was carried.
It was decided at this meeting the Parish Council would not pay for the emptying of the Youth Centre bin nor to agree to the cutting of the youth centre area grass.
- **Town Hall – To CONSIDER and AGREE essential works to be undertaken on the Town Hall Clock by experts Cumbria Clock Company - £3815.00 (plus VAT)**
Council to seek other quotes before agreeing to works
To CONSIDER Heaters for the Town Hall
Quotes sought by Chairman Mr M Summers, King Pin Electricals, Grant Electricals, and Abbey Electrics. Councillor A Carroll proposed King Pin Electricals to supply and fit heaters as quoted, seconded by Councillor G Fielding, all voted in favour therefore the motion was carried.
- **Community Centre - Next meeting 17th September 2018**

6. General Business

- **To CONSIDER High Street crossing point Issues raised with Ward Councillor M Gilpin, Luke Hall MP and Highways Officer Tracey Hamblett. Awaiting response**
As per discussion under Ward Councillor report
- **National day of commemoration on Nov 11th – Community involvement.** Parish Council to liaise with Church procession.
- **To review contacts of employment for all parish council employees.** Clerk to obtain information re contracts of employment.
- **To CONSIDER and AGREE Parish Council Risk Assessment Document –** To be considered at the Councils October meeting.
- **To CONSIDER and AGREE payment to David James & Partners for the insurance valuation of Parish Assets, Town Hall, Pavilion and Tin shed. As per instruction from PC Insurance Company Came & Co. Invoice £210.00**
Proposed payment by Councillor S Isaac, seconded by Councillor Carroll, all in favour therefore the motion has been carried.
- **To CONSIDER safe for the Town Hall –** Clerk to obtain quotes.
- **To CONSIDER and AGREE grant application for Wickwar Brownies**

Councillor A Carroll proposed the Parish Council Grants £270.00 seconded by Councillor S Isaac. Five Councillors attended three voted for and two abstained from vote. Therefore, the motion was passed.

- **To CONSIDER and AGREE grant application for Firework display Holy Trinity Church Wickwar.** To be considered at the Councils October meeting.

7. Burial Matters

To consider overgrowth to war graves

8. Finance

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

HMRC TAX NI	£308.91
WALKER FIRE UK VAT £138.16	£828.97
PETTY CASH	£50.00
HP INK VAT £1.33	£7.99
WICKWAR YOUTH CENTRE SECT 137 GRANT AID	£4800.00
MR C MARSHALL – REPAIRS PLAY EQUIPMENT	£992.28
DAVID JAMES PTNS VAT £35.00	£210.00
WICKWAR BROWNIES	£270.00
Staff costs	
P Trull Net	£1263.41
Direct Debits Standing Orders August 2018	
Water Business – Pavilion	£39.50
N Power – Pavilion	£45.39
Plus Net	£3.00
N Power – Town Hall	£18.00
Income July/August	
VAT Refund	£438.57
Merlin Housing Buthay Lease annual payment	£1000.00