

**Wreningham Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 17th May 2009
Margaret Preston Room, Wreningham Village Hall**

Present:

Sheldon Durant
Donald Whiterod
Michael Hill
Barry Jarvis
Anne Riches
Justin Grady

In Attendance:

Chrissie Baldwin – Clerk
4 Members of the public
Claire Stevens

131. Apologies

Graham Crummet

132. Declaration of interest

None

133. Open Forum

Linda Craig formally requested speed limits in the entire village, She is concerned that some areas seem to have the national speed limit only (i.e. Penny Green) and this is not in her view acceptable. Where there are speed limits she is concerned that these are not being adhered to. She expressed concern over the speed of cars throughout Wreningham and the possibility of restricting access in the village.

Mr Ward said he has seen 4 series accidents since Christmas where he lives (corner of Mill lane and B1113, and he asked the parish council to do something about it.

The council agreed to go back to Hollie Fisher – Wreningham Police Community Support Officer and ask how or where we can get information and support, At the very least those present wanted to see a system of a temporary speed restriction as a matter of urgency for the inset of the sewage scheme.

The council also agreed to contact Mike Alfrey, to have a site meeting to talk about the traffic on B1113 and parking outside of Travis Perkins which is still causing problems with Lorries parking up on the highway and blocking the roadway

Linda asked if the parish council were going to contribute to the church car park. The council assured Linda that once the church had acquired the land it will be put on a future agenda for discussion by the parish council

A member of the public was concerned about the buses which do not seem to running to the timetable. The council suggested that they contacted the Norfolk County Council bus information service for help and advice.

Action
1. Chrissie to contact Mike Alfrey regarding the B1113 and speeding cars

2. Chrissie to contact Mike Alfrey regarding the speed limits within the village
3. Chrissie to contact Hollie Fisher regarding the speeding cars

134. Minutes of meeting 17th March and matters arising

Action	Responsibility of	Action	Progress
	B/fwd	To empty bins Doing remedial work to the goal posts	The bins are being emptied however the work under the goal posts is still outstanding To b/fwd
	Hollie Fisher	To continue to liaise with Mr Burbage over the illegal parking in and around the school	Ongoing Verge by the post box is still in poor condition Chrissie to chase progress with Highways
	Chrissie	Mardle information to residents from Sarah Hill	Done
	Sheldon/Barry	Fencing posts around young person's play area	The broken/rotten posts need to come down, Sheldon and Barry volunteered to do this Thursday 7.00pm
	Graham	To progress remedial work to the playing field	Graham has purchased and replaced the ends of the youth shelter Sheldon has done some remedial work to the area
	For Agenda	To put the church car park as an agenda item in the future once the land has been secured for purchase.	To b/fwd
	Chrissie	To contact Christine Minns re: Fuel trust representative	Christine Minns advised that there are 2 reps from Parish Council on the fuel trust and that we could invite either one or Christine to find about the fuel trust and what it does.
	Chrissie	To progress funding for the children's play area	In progress
Open Forum	Chrissie	To ask Anglian water to send letter to all residents not just those within scheme	Done
	Chrissie/Barry	To put agenda on notice board and website	Done
138 Highways	Chrissie/Sheldon	To contact NCC re Blacksmiths lane	Public meeting to be held on the 23 rd June 2009 at Ashwellthorpe village hall Sheldon said that he would attend

The minutes were signed as a true and accurate record. Proposed by Donald and seconded by Anne.

135. District Council Report

Claire advised the council that David from the Bird in Hand, has asked for building of 2 houses on the plot of land that currently has planning permission for some motel style rooms. He does not want the permission to lapse and it is looking likely that they may not renew it again. The council discussed the tentative proposal, however, did not make any proposals. They agreed that they would discuss the planning application when it was forthcoming.

David has asked people to approach him to ask him questions relating to his housing proposal.

136. Playing field

Funding in progress for young play area. This is being held up by the long term absence of the funding officer.

Tree in NE corner of playing field does need taking down Sheldon to look at the tree and get someone to assess and report back at the next meeting.

Action

- 1. Sheldon to report back at next meeting regarding the tree in the NE corner of the playing field**
- 2. Chrissie to continue to progress the funding bid for the children's play area.**

137. Highways

Donald had nothing to report

It was generally discussed that the state of the roads may be worse following the work for the sewage scheme. This will be ongoing and will need to be brought forward as the work progresses.

138. Planning

Planning notifications read out

Chrissie stated that the way in which we view plans does not work particularly well and can often mean that we are late in submitting our views or not able to submit them at all. She proposed setting up a small subcommittee to view the plans in between parish council meetings. The councillors felt that they would all like to be involved and asked that they were all invited. If they want to comment and cannot make the sub meeting they could look online and comment to Chrissie to be included in the other comments. Anne Proposed, Michael seconded.

Action

Chrissie to contact all councillors to meet to discuss plans as they arise.

139. Environmental issues**Sewage scheme**

It was generally felt the meeting for Anglian water could have been handled better. Residents did not get out of the meeting what they wanted. The meeting was much later than originally agreed (January) and this was not helpful to the residents as it gave no time for further information to be sought before the start of the project

Michael reported that Christine has agreed to put the plans on view in the Margaret Preston room for residents to access. Also, regular updates will be put on the village website.

Michael to ask the village hall to allow residents to park at the village hall if they are finding access to their property during the day difficult.

Recycling scheme – SNDC

South Norfolk has approached Chrissie regarding a recycling scheme at the village hall. This is in response to Claire Stevens, District councillor, who has many requests for such a scheme in her area. The facilities could include such facilities as clothing, shoes, books, CD's and paper as well as glass. The councillors discussed the merits of such a scheme, however it could not be run alongside the current glass recycling scheme, and they were reluctant to change the current arrangements.

140. School update

The school is about to embark on some building work to the kitchen to make it a usable working space for the children to cook in. A planning application will be coming shortly. Some repairs are to be made to the school hall floor and this will happen in the summer holidays. The older children are enjoying using the village playing field at lunch time as it is a much bigger space in which to play football. (This is always supervised by at least one member of staff).

141. Village Hall Update

Recently the village hall have had an energy survey done, their current contract is up for renewal. They are pursuing green funding, and are going for solar panels and a wind turbine for which they are seeking funding.

They hope to sell some electricity back to the grid

Sheldon would like to know what the annual energy bill is for the village hall, Councillors were concerned that the land is rented to the village hall committee and they should be consulting the parish council about the use of the land for such a scheme. There were general concerns about such a scheme.

142. Parish plan

The next meeting will be on 7th June to get together a first draft. Michael hopes to bring it to the July meeting

Michael has been enquiring about print cost which is going to be in the region of £1600. This will include a water colour, with monuments on the front and back.

The parish plan committee hope to distribute to the village by the end of August.

Action

1. Michael to bring the first draft to the July parish council meeting

143. Finance

The receipts and payments summary was circulated at the annual meeting as the end of year accounts. There being no payments in the New Year, Chrissie has not prepared further receipts and payments report

Payments

Company	Description	Cost	Proposed	Seconded
Ncaptc	Subscription	£116.54	Anne	Donald
Mazars	Fees for audit	£161	Anne	Donald
Chrissie Baldwin	Clerks Expenses	£21.80	Michael	Barry
Audit commission	Fees	£138.00	Barry	Michael
Came & Company	Insurance – agreed 3 year programme	£873.33	Michael	Anne

It should be noted that the parish council were able to achieve good value for money for parish insurance which with the current provider would have cost the council £1081.50. This is a saving of £207.17

Chrissie asked the councillors to agree a new parish laptop for use by the clerk, this has been agreed in principal for some time. A new laptop will cost £439. Chrissie tabled a quote from Dell with requirements. She had previously put the quote to Barry for him to look at in detail. Proposed Barry seconded Anne.

144. Correspondence

Equality and human rights – in correspondence file

Freedom of information DVD. We have completed a model publication scheme (brought to the March meeting for approval) and DVD is in correspondence file.

Campaign to protect rural England, clean up Norfolk campaign – councillors voted no action required.

South Norfolk community pub of the year, this information has also gone on the notice board on the reading room site. Councillors agreed no further action required.

Consultation for Gypsy consultation document – in correspondence file

145. AOB

Ashwellthorpe parish council have approached Chrissie to ask that we try to get the B1113 speed limit reduced to 40mph. They are pursuing their “bit”. Chrissie explained that we have been trying to do this with little success in the past. All councillors agreed that it is always a good thing to try and do and that we will contact highways once again.

Action

1. Chrissie to contact Mike Alfrey regarding reducing the speed limit to 40 mph

Meeting closed at 10.25 (Late due to the annual meeting which was held prior to the usual bi monthly meeting)