

**Wreningham Parish Council**  
**Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 16 December 2009**  
**Margaret Preston Room, Wreningham Village Hall**

**Present:**

Sheldon Durant  
Barry Jarvis  
Graham Crummit  
Donald Whiterod  
Anne Riches

**In Attendance:**

Chrissie Baldwin – Clerk  
3 Members of public

**192. Apologies**

Justin Grady  
Michael Hill  
Claire Stevens

**193. Declaration of interest**

None

**194. Open Forum**

No separate items

Minutes of the last meeting were proposed by Donald and seconded by Graham.  
Matters arising, all matters arising were dealt with as part of the meeting.

**195. District councillor's report**

In Claire's absence Chrissie reported that Claire had checked with South Norfolk District Council and you can have a group of interested parties as a sub committee to look at planning applications their views would be brought to the parish council and the councillors are then responsible for making comments to the district council. (They can take into consideration the points raised by the sub committee, however, if the councillors vote differently they do not have to present the sub committee points on a consultation document).

Chrissie to contact Geoff when planning consultations are sent. Geoff to chair the sub committee. Ian Dobson asked if he should be part of the sub committee in his role as tree warden all councillors agreed this would be a good idea.

Action

Chrissie to contact Geoff with planning consultations

**196. Parish Plan**

No report as Michael had given his apologies to the meeting

**197. Sewage project**

Following the notice in the mardle, chrissie reported she had had a disappointing result asking for residents to identify areas around the village that need remedial work done. Only one resident had responded and that was his own car parking spot, so that it would not be in the remit. Sheldon proposed that from the next council meeting (January) the council could do a critical path analysis relating to the areas identified in and around the village. This to be presented to Barhale and Sarah Hill by the end of January. All councillors agreed.

Chrissie reported that some residents had been very pleased with the contractors, even saying that it was quieter. Linda Craig has emailed Chrissie asking that we thank Barhale for their consideration from residents. Sheldon asked that Chrissie read this letter in full at the next parish council meeting.

#### Action

Following January meeting plan to be presented to Barhale/Sarah Hill  
Chrissie to b/fwd L Craigs letter to the January meeting

### 198. Playing field

Chrissie reported that the turfing to the playing field has finally been done – hurrah. Barry reported that as previously agreed he and Mark Francis would be happy to do the levelling work around the field. Barry to progress

Sheldon reported that there is a problem with rabbits on the field. A discussion followed regarding how and who could do some rabbit clearance work. Chrissie to find out who may be able to do this. It was suggested that ferreting maybe the best course of action.

### Neighbouring funding

Chrissie reported that we have managed to secure 1k for the funding

We have 1 year to use this money or it will be withdrawn.

There was some discussion over the possibility of Anglian water doing some community work because of the general upheaval in the village. This has not been verified and it may not happen however, all councillors asked Chrissie to pursue this if possible and that if this is the case they could do some fencing for the childrens area to help with the funding shortfall that we now have.

### H&S assessment

Chrissie reported that SNDC have missed us off of the assessments that were due in October. Chrissie has contacted our insurer Came and Company to see if this affects our policy. They confirmed that this would not invalidate our policy, however good practice dictates that it is done before the next round in October 2010. They recommended a company that may do the work Digley assoc. Chrissie has contacted them regarding assessment and they would be cheaper than South Norfolk, however, advised Chrissie that if works on the playing field were imminent to contact them again after the work has been completed.

#### Actions

Barry to level the ground on playing field (with Mark Francis)

Chrissie to find out who may be able to do some rabbit clearance on the playing field  
Chrissie to find out if Anglian water are going to do some community work in the village  
Chrissie to contact Digley assoc once works are done to playing field for inspection

### **199. Highways**

Donald reported that other than Barhale on the roads in and around Wreningham, there is nothing else to report.

### **200. Planning applications**

Planning application

Brookside, Silfield Street.

Mr and Mrs Brown

All councillors agreed, however comments made that the roof line is different on 2 of the drawings.

Harvey Builders (Harvey corner, Hethel road)

Chrissie reminded councillors that the Tree preservation order exists on this land. General comments from councillors were as follows:

Shame to lose the character of the corner as it was the old clay lump blacksmith shop why is this being lost?

2 properties on the site would seem much more appropriate on the site the 3rd building is too close to the preserved tree. Tree warden is concerned that this will have detrimental damage to the preserved tree roots.

The Hethel road junction is altered in the drawings to its current layout.

All councillors voted to refuse this application based on the comments above.

Glebe land

All councillors agreed that Chrissie is to write to King Developments to arrange a meeting about the development.

Chrissie reported that she is trying to contact Natural England - Helen Ward, for her advice on the great crested newt habitat.

Chrissie to contact Stuart Pontin to clarify the sites ponds and trees, which are at different location on both drawings:

Landscape design 191107

May 07 drawing 1541/08A

Chrissie to write to King developments to arrange a meeting re: development on Glebe land  
Chrissie to contact Natural England  
Chrissie to try and clarify the differences with South Norfolk District Council on the plans for the Glebe land

### **201. Environmental issues – Justin**

Telephone Kiosk

Barry reported that there had been some hits on web for the keeping and disposing of the telephone kiosk and currently the view of the residents is equal. Chrissie reported that she is still looking into whether it is possible to move it to the reading room site.

If moved Graham asked if it could then be used as a noticeboard.

Action

Chrissie to continue to progress the moving of the telephone kiosk

Barry to report at the next meeting the hits to the yes's and No's for the the keeping of the kiosk

## 202. School

Chrissie reported the success of the recent Church Ofsted which follows an Ofsted in a church school. The school was given a good with outstanding features. As in the main Ofsted report pupil behaviour was highlighted as an outstanding feature of the school.

The school will be closed tomorrow due to a gas leak. They hope to reopen the school as soon as possible.

## 203. Village Hall

Anne asked if we have had a copy of the annual finance report, following the agm. Sheldon asked that Michael bring these to a future meeting.

Action

Michael to bring the finance report from the village hall to a future parish council meeting

## 204. Fuel trust

Chrissie reported that she has invited through Christine, either Ivan Howlett or Christine Minns to the next parish council meeting in January to explain how the fuel trust works.

## 205. Finance

There were no receipts and payments for December.

Precept

Chrissie circulated the forecast for the 2010/11 year.

Donald proposed a 1k rise

Graham proposed put it up by inflation this year which is 2.5%

Sheldon proposes reasonable costs of £315 increase

It was agreed by all councillors present to raise the precept to £xx for 2010/11 year

Graham proposed and Anne seconded.

**206. Correspondence** to be brought forward to the next meeting.

## 207. AOB

Sheldon asked for a copy of the Blacksmiths email so that he can respond to views of residents.

Chrissie reported in Claire's absence that following on from the November meeting, Claire has found that for the church to ask the parish council to progress the planning process is a legal progress. Graham proposed that if it is legal then it is worth supporting the church in their

support with Christine Minns acting for us. All councillors agreed and asked Chrissie to write to Christine Minns.

Meeting closed 10.15pm