



## WRABNESS PARISH COUNCIL Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on 21st July 2021 in Wrabness Village Hall.

**Present:** Mr. R Colley (Chairperson), Mrs. L Byrne (Vice Chairperson) Mr. H Jones, Mr. F McGowan, Mrs. J Cole.

**In Attendance :** Mrs. C Greenwood (Parish Clerk), County Councillor Zoe Fairley and one member of the public.

**3043 Apologies for absence:** Ms. R Thornton

**3044: Declaration of interests:** None

**3045: Public Forum:** Mr. R Colley opened the public forum and invited comments from those present.

A: District Councillor Zoe Fairley gave a report:

Councillor Zoe Fairley thanked the Parish Council/volunteers for their continued support in the community.

Covid numbers are still low in the Tendring area but are rising. There is still a regular briefing from the NHS.

Tendring District Local Plan - with an upcoming 6-week public consultation taking place to allow members of the public to comment on recommended modifications - the local plan will hopefully be completed and in place by the end of 2021.

Highways - LHP panel meet shortly – will keep Wrabness Parish Council informed about progress on their LHP highway requests.

B: A member of the public emailed the Parish Clerk regarding an overgrown footpath running from Rectory Road to the Main Road and sought advice who to approach about clearing the path.

It was agreed the Parish Council would report the footpath issue to ECC Highways for attention: **Action Parish Clerk.**

The Public Forum was closed and meeting open

**3046: Minutes of the meeting held on:** Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2021. The minutes were agreed as a true record and signed.

**3047: Matters arising and actions.**

a: LHP request. – See item 3045 A

i: Speed Limits (3029)

ii: Parking issues: Wall Lane, Church Road, Rectory Road (3029)

iii: Footpaths on Harwich Road – uplifting pavement (3029)

iv: Replacement Village sign – Harwich Road/ Wheatsheaf Lane junction (3029)

b: Highways issues reported online: Parish Clerk gave an update.

i: Manhole cover near Red Barn corner (3029) Last report from Essex Highways on 08/04/21. Last updated by Highways 8.4.21 – inspected - still waiting action.

ii: Signage defects Harwich Road (3029). – Resubmitted on Essex Highways Track It. 16.7.21

c: Wheatsheaf Lane traffic: A site meeting has been arranged with District Councillor Zoe Fairley, County Councillor Gugliemi, Essex Highways Liaison Officer, Richard Colley and Ms Rachel Thornton next week.

**Action: Ms Rachel Thornton and Mr Richard Colley.**

d: Overflowing Poo Bins Stone Lane: Mrs L Byrne gave an update: – TDC will supply an extra poo bin for £115 plus installation £50.00. Seeking consent from the landowner and liaising with TDC. All Agreed to go ahead and order once consent and location sorted.

**Action: Mrs L Byrne.**

e: Footpaths: Footpaths actioned from last meeting - i: Footpath clearance starting at Spring Cottages. (3029)

ii: Clear footpath from Red Barn corner Wrabness Road to Butler Farm: (3040) Parish Clerk gave an update. Reported to TDC Rangers – Due to the locations of the footpaths the TDC Rangers are not able to clear the paths – advised us to report overgrown footpaths to ECC Highways:

**Action: Parish Clerk**

f: Wrabness Playing Field: Recommendations from Inspection. (3033). Mrs L Byrne gave an update: A group of volunteers will meet next month and start to action recommendations from the Wrabness Playing Field inspection report.

**Action: Mrs L Byrne.**

**3048: Vacancy on Wrabness Parish Council (3030)**

The Parish Council received one applicant for the casual vacancy from Lisa Taylor. The Clerk reported on the application and read out the guidelines for Co-opting onto the Parish Council. After a discussion Mr R Colley proposed and Mr H Jones seconded the motion to co-opt Lisa Taylor onto the Parish Council. All were agreed. **Action: Parish Clerk.**

**3049: Essex Highways Winter Salt Bag Partnership Scheme review:** The village still has a supply of salt in store and no additional salt bags needed but still want to stay in the scheme. All Agreed:

**Action: Parish Clerk.**

**3050: Tendring District Local Plan Public Consultation on Part 2 Modifications.** (See Item 3045)

The consultation period opens on Friday 16th July 2021 and will close at 5.00pm on Tuesday 31st August 2021 – a period of just over six weeks. Any comments received during this period will be forwarded to the Local Plan Inspector, who will take them into account in coming to their final recommendations on legal compliance and soundness of the Section 2 Local Plan and the modifications that will need to be made to the Plan before the District Council can proceed to its formal adoption. The documents and online response form are available at: [www.tendringdc.gov.uk/localplan/section2](http://www.tendringdc.gov.uk/localplan/section2). Paper copies will also be available at public libraries around the District and at Clacton Town Hall, during usual opening hours.

Mr Colley gave a report and circulated map extracts showing the proposed Part 2 modifications directly relating to the Wrabness area. The policy and mapping for the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty have been updated to reflect the designation last year of the Stour and southern shore. The representations made by the Parish Council back in 2017 when the draft Local Plan was last published have been accepted, these were: land immediately west of village hall to be protected against development as future public open space and the fact that the railway cutting is not public open space, but the adjacent station masters garden is. The proposed extent of the village settlement limits remains unchanged from 2017 which reflected the pre-existing planning permission granted for the Bennett Homes residential site. The adoption of the Local Plan will provide a much needed local planning policy basis for future planning applications.

The Parish Council noted its 2017 objections had been met, welcomed progress being made with the Local Plan process and decided to respond with no Objections. All agreed. **Action Mr R Colley.**

**3051: Planning Applications:**

**a:** 21/01060/FUL -Land at Broadfields Primrose Hill Wrabness Essex CO11 2TZ -Erection of dwelling to replace former blacksmiths forge. Objection: The old blacksmiths forge is a prominent asset of local historic interest which should be retained rather than demolished. The proposed dwelling relates poorly to its setting including the two new houses proposed to the north, the adjacent Stour Wood nature reserve, the adjacent AONB and would be an over development of this modest rural site. We also have highway safety concerns due the proximity to the road junction. All agreed.

**Action Parish Clerk**

**3052: Application updates:**

**a.** 21/00903/FUL - Old School Church Road Wrabness Manningtree Essex CO11 2TQ Proposed removal of existing balcony and construction of new balcony and construction of a porch. Approval Full 13<sup>th</sup> July (3035)

**b.** 21/00946/NMA - Holbrook View Rectory Road Wrabness Manningtree Essex CO11 2TS Non-Material Amendment to Planning Permission ref: 20/01730/FUL (Demolition of side extension and addition of side and rear extensions to existing house). Amendments to include proposed raising roof of side extension by 250mm to coincide with existing roof eaves level on the front elevation. And raising window cills of two windows on end elevation at first floor level to accommodate raised pitched roof: Approval Non-Material Amendment – 22<sup>nd</sup> June (3035)

**3053: Notifications:** A: Community Street Meet 17/09/2021 Outside Wrabness Community Shop, Wrabness 10am – 11am. To be included on website.

**3054: Information only**

(a) Covid 19 current: As from the 19<sup>th</sup> July 21 - Please click on link for latest Government guideline. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-response-summer-2021-roadmap/coronavirus-how-to-stay-safe-and-help-prevent-the-spread>

**3055: Any Other Busines:**

**a:** Wrabness Nature Reserve: Mr R Colley gave a report: Essex Wildlife Trust are planning a project to improve key footpaths and install an audio post – funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund. A site meeting will be held with EWT and they will be invited to contribute to the village newsletter to inform and involve the local community.

**b:** Village Notice Boards: Volunteers the clean the village notice boards. **Action: Mr R Colley, Mrs Liz Byrne, Mr Harry Jones, Mrs J Cole and Parish Clerk. Carol**

**3056: Reports:**

HIGHWAYS: Hedge over hanging on the pavement Main Road near Butlers Lane. <b>Action Mr H Jones.</b>	FOOTPATHS Obstruction along Harwich Road footpath. A van has been parking on the footpath. Mr F McGowan has politely asked the owner of the van not to block/park on the footpath. <b>Action: Mr F McGowan.</b>
WPFA: See Item 3047f	VILLAGE HALL. Covid guidelines for hirers eased in accordance with government guidelines. Stour Ladies and Gardening Club will be starting back in September.
STATION GARDEN: a. Replace sign on Bug Hotel: <b>Action Mr H Jones</b>  b. Talking Bench: It was agreed a Talking Bench will be supplied and installed by Community Rail Partnership.	TELEPHONE KIOSK. Unfortunately, plants have been stolen from the kiosk.
PUBLIC HEALTH: A defibrillator has been installed at Stone Lane caravan site.	NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH nothing to report.
TRANSPORT: Harwich Connexions introducing a Thursday morning service for Wrabness village to Manningtree and Harwich from August	FORESHORE: Beach recharge arranged by Balhaven expected to take place during the Autumn.

**3057: Accounts and monies received:**

RECEIVED	AMOUNT	DISBURSEMENTS	AMOUNT	CQ No.
		Village Hall Hire	£15.00	1155
		Parish Clerk wages 11.3.21 -14.7.21	£472.23	1156
		Annual Play Field Inspection 2021 TDC	£55.14	1157
		Autoprint Wrabness Newsletter	£89.00	1154

**3058. Confirmations of Account Balances:**

Current Account: Balance on 20<sup>th</sup> June £6042.10

Deposit Account: Balance on 20<sup>th</sup> June £6694.04

**The next Parish Council meeting will be on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2021 in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.**

Carol Greenwood, Wrabness Parish Clerk, 2 Fredricks Close, Wix, Manningtree, CO11 2AY Tele: 07985676482

Email: [Wrabness.parishclerk@gmail.com](mailto:Wrabness.parishclerk@gmail.com)

The meeting closed: 21.07