

Wickham Parish Council

GP Committee

Minutes of a meeting of the above Committee held at Wickham Centre on Monday 12th July at 7.44pm.

Present: Justin Gamblin (Chairman), Thérèse Evans (Vice-Chairman), Trevor Astbury, Marie du Boulay, Mike Bennett, Angela Clear

Parish Councillors Sue Roger Jones and Di Frost, Parish Clerk Nicki Oliver

1. **To elect a chairman for the ensuing year** Justin Gamblin elected.
2. **To elect a vice-chairman if required** Thérèse Evans elected.
3. **To receive apologies for absence** Jenny Hollis.
4. **To receive declarations of interest on agenda items** None.
5. **To adjourn meeting to allow participation by members of the public** Not required.
6. **Agenda**

6.1 To receive update on current committee projects:

6.1.1 Yellow lines to village roads (Cllr Clear/Clerk) **Review to be carried out later in the year.**

6.1.2 Map of parish (Clerk) **Two maps have been installed, map for The Square to be completed. Map for Knowle to be installed when new building completed.**

6.1.3 Review of parking permit system in The Square (Cllr Clear) **Residents have received letters from Winchester City Council outlining the new scheme.**

6.1.4 Best Garden competition (Cllr Evans) **Judging has been arranged.**

6.1.5 Maintenance of Knowle Cemetery **A working party from Knowle has visited but was not clear on work to carry out. It was agreed councillors should meet on site and agree a way forward.**

6.1.6 Development of land adjoining recreation ground gifted for a cemetery, update on agreed proposals for gate and land management. Agree way forward for the site including arrangements for public access. **It was agreed to recommend to Full Council that informal paths be created and the land be opened to the public on a trial basis.**

6.1.7 Monitoring Southern Water's plans for improvement to Wickham's drainage system – Riverside Mews in particular **Nothing further to report.**

6.1.8 Flower beds and hanging baskets, to agree a way forward **It was agreed to ask whether any residents would be interested in taking on the flower beds with a view to creating a themed co-ordinated display for the village. Action Clerk.**

6.1.9 Speed warning signs, update on installation **The sign continues to disappoint with the batteries unable to cope with the high number of triggers it receives. Cllr Allgood has offered to pursue permanent signs.**

6.1.10 Notice board for Community Centre grounds, update on installation **Order placed, installation awaited.**

6.1.11 Chesapeake Mill turbine as tourist attraction (Cllr Bennett) **The Environment Agency has responded positively to the proposal with a number of conditions, some more research to be carried out.**

6.1.12 Re-landscaping open space either side of Bridge Street junction with A32 including bridge embankments –agree next steps. (Chairman/Clerk) **HCC has offered to survey the area and produce some outline plans for consideration. There are a number of possible grants to research.**

6.2 To consider supporting the following new project proposals:

6.2.1 Clear weed trees, shrubs and brambles Manor Close/A334 verge **HCC Highways Engineers and WCC Arboriculturalists agree that the damage caused by the trees is not sufficient to justify any work. Agreed to remove from future agendas.**

6.2.2 Emergency planning, update on draft plan (Cllr Bennett) **Progressing well, refer to next meeting.**

6.2.3 Footpath and rights of way review (Cllr Bennett) **Ongoing, refer to next meeting.**

6.3 To consider draft proposals for a Complaints Procedure and make recommendation to Full Council (Quality Status requirement) **Agreed to recommend to Full Council for adoption.**

6.4 To consider draft proposals for a Community Engagement Strategy and make recommendation to Full Council (Quality Status requirement) **Agreed to recommend to Full Council for adoption.**

6.5 To consider draft proposals for a Training Strategy and make recommendation to Full Council (Quality Status requirement) **Agreed to recommend to Full Council for adoption.**

6.6 To receive draft revised Standing Orders for consideration at the October meeting (New standing orders published incorporating latest legislation and good practice) **Draft circulated for consideration at next meeting.**

7.To identify any unmanaged risks within this committee's remit None.

8.Review effectiveness of communication, development of links with other community organisations and support for local democracy through making information more widely available Continue to monitor.

9. Recent correspondence/ reports from meetings attended of relevance to this committee None.

Meeting closed 9pm