

Wickham Parish Council

GP Committee

Minutes of a meeting of the above Committee held at Wickham Centre on Wednesday 4th May 2016 at 7.20pm.

Present: Justin Gamblin (Chairman), Trevor Astbury, Angela Clear, Nick Guy, Simon Wernick.

Parish Clerk Nicki Oliver.

1. **To receive apologies for absence** Adrian Brown, Therese Evans, Di Frost, Tim Harper, Sue Roger-Jones, Jon Taylor.
2. **To receive declarations of interest on agenda items** None.
3. **To adjourn meeting to allow participation by members of the public** Not required.
4. **To receive update on current committee projects:**
 - 4.1 Best Garden competition (Cllr Evans) **Gardens entered to be visited in June.**
 - 4.2 Maintenance of Knowle Cemetery (Clerk) **Fence repairs required to the entrance. Action Clerk.**
 - 4.3 Maintenance of Lysander Meadow (Clerk) **Nothing to report.**
 - 4.4 Planting flower beds and hanging baskets (Cllr Frost) **Summer planting will begin in early June.**
 - 4.5 Bridge Street Village Green (Clerk) **The bluebells and primroses are looking good, additional planting may be needed in the longer term.**
 - 4.6 Village parking issues **WCC has advised that a consultation for yellow lines in various village locations will be forwarded shortly.**
 - 4.7 Dean Copse, update on management and proposals for interpretation board **Following the completion of the tree survey some dangerous trees need to be removed. These have been marked and an order placed for the work. The interpretation board is progressing well.**
 - 4.8 Review village signage **Agreed to remove from future agendas as no proposals have been made.**
 - 4.9 Village recycling facilities, site proposals for recycling banks **Glass recycling banks have been installed in Station Close car park, remove from future agendas.**
 - 4.10 2016/17 GP new projects
 - a. Refresh the Parish Plan **It was agreed that the existing Parish Plan can be archived. The Parish Council has a robust strategy that is reviewed annually and can include any aspirations and project proposals that come forward.**
 - b. Refurbish notice boards **Three of four notice boards have been refurbished.**

5. **To identify any unmanaged risks within this committee's remit** None.
6. **Review effectiveness of communication, development of links with other community organisations and support for local democracy through making information more widely available** There was some discussion about the role of the committee and how it can support other organisations such as the Town Team that are looking to organise events. This is likely to involve approving applications for funding assistance.
7. **Recent correspondence/ reports from meetings attended of relevance to this committee** None.

Meeting closed 8pm