

Wickham Parish Council

GP Committee

Minutes of a meeting of the above Committee held at Wickham Centre on Wednesday 6th July 2016 at 8pm.

Present: Justin Gamblin (Chairman), Trevor Astbury, Adrian Brown, Angela Clear, Nick Guy, Tim Harper Sue Roger-Jones, Simon Wernick.

1. **To receive apologies for absence** Di Frost, Therese Evans.
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) **Cllrs Clear and Astbury will be judging the garden entries shortly.**
 - 4.2 Maintenance of Knowle Cemetery (Clerk) **Path clearing planned in the next few days.**
 - 4.3 Maintenance of Lysander Meadow (Clerk) **Meadow is looking beautiful and the orchids are in full bloom.**
 - 4.4 Planting flower beds and hanging baskets (Cllr Frost) **All planting is complete and the baskets have been installed.**
 - 4.5 Bridge Street Village Green (Clerk) **Cllr Clear raised concerns about maintenance which she considers to be inadequate. Continue to monitor. A planning application has been submitted for work to trees to the rear of St Nicholas Row to ensure trees are safe.**
 - 4.6 Village parking issues **WCC has advised that new parking ticket machines are due to be installed in The Square.**
 - 4.7 Dean Copse, update on management and proposals for interpretation board **Draft artwork circulated for approval.**
 - 4.8 Request from the Land Trust for funding assistance to set up an allotment site in Mayles Lane **It was agreed to ask the Land Trust to submit a costed project proposal for consideration.**
 - 4.9 Proposal to install three /four new benches: Wickham Square by the bus shelter (one or two), Community Centre and Lysander Meadow. Benches from Streetmaster to match existing £433 + VAT plus £20-£25 each for fixings. Excludes installation. **Agreed to recommend the installation of four benches to Full Council.**
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.** Continue to monitor.
7. **Recent correspondence/ reports from meetings attended of relevance to this committee** None.

Meeting closed 8.45pm