

Wimbish Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on
1st September, 2021 at 7.30 p.m.
Wimbish Village Hall

Present: Edward Browne, Lynne Ward-Booth, Mike Young

In attendance: Tracy Coston (Clerk), Cllr Stewart Luck, Cllr Foley (apologies for lateness)

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1. **Apologies for Absence:** Lindy Scanlan, Mike Cargill and Philip Northern.
2. **Councillors to declare pecuniary interests:** Lynne Ward-Booth and Mike Young declared an interest in the planning application at Wimbish Hall.
3. **Public Participation (15 minutes):** Brian Lindsell (Member of Debden PC) is interested in the speed limit reduction and working with issues with by-ways.
4. **Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 7th September, 2021:** The previously circulated minutes were approved and signed by the Chair.

5. District Councillor and County Councillor Report:

District Councillor:

Speed watch groups in Debden and Wimbish could work together and hopefully the police would visit to spend time with the groups.

Rural Crime is still an issue in the Parish.

There is a commentative plaque served on the airfield opposite Debden Barns. The farmer looks after the plaque and the family would like the PC's to take on the maintenance.

The Clerk asked Cllr Luck who owns the plaque, own insures it and what is the history of the installation on the side of the highway. Cllr Luck will find out and report back.

Debden Drive – Sewage issues are still unresolved. Environmental Agency hasn't given approval.

There are lots of delays with planning applications at UDC.

County Councillor: The County Councillor has 20 Parishes and is working way around the Parish Councils.

Communication with ECC needs improvement. Urgent issues to be reported to Cllr Foley to report to ECC directly.

Cllr Foley has been asked if the 40mph speed limit can be extended past Brooklands Garage, which is possible, and Cllr Foley would support it. The PC would also support it and complete a UDC Highways panel form.

The extension of the speed limit in Howlett End is imminent for a date and an update will be received from Rissa Long.

UDC are match funding by £200,000 to make the funds £ 400,000 for Highways.

It has been confirmed that health care will be at Addenbrooke's.

By-ways at Lower Green closures wrong and ECC made from green lane into a hard road and the track is now useless and lots of ruts.

Cllr Foley was asked to look at the by-ways.

The PC thanks Cllr Foley for attending the PC meeting.

Speedwatch Report: Deryck Johnson.

Throughout lockdown no Speedwatch took place and then on a limited basis and extra rules. Speedwatch takes place once a month, but there are only 3 volunteers and 3 people are required per session for all information to be taken. Last time 8 offenders and only recorded 6 offenders. All travelling between 47-51 mph.

The police joined for the session but no-one was booked from Thaxted direction.

1:50 is travelling more than 45mph.

A buffer zone is needed beyond Brooklands Garage and there have been 5 fatalities.

Deryck Johnson was thanked for his report and work organising speed watch.

6. Matters arising

a) Letter to Mr Rayner regarding use of commonland: The solicitor is away until 3rd September, 2021.

b) PC Email accounts: Clerk to speak to Judith Bonser about the email accounts.

7. Planning

a) Applications:

UTT/21/2472/FUL Wimbish Hall Farm, Maple Lane

Change of use of grazing paddocks into a glamping site

PC Decision: No objections

b) Decisions

UTT/21/2064/HHF Bromfields, Thaxted Road

UDC *approved* the S73A retrospective application for the erection of a timber framed summerhouse in garden.

UTT/21/2024/HHF 1 Tye Green,

UDC *approved* the proposed part two storey, part single storey rear extension and front dormer window

c) Solar Farm application: Richard Hayes (CPRE representative for Uttlesford) has emailed to ask the PC has been asked if they would donate £ 50.00 towards a leaflet about solar farms. 136 acres which is 3.5 % of the arable land in Wimbish. Vote: 3 for 1 against.

8. Roads, Highways and Footpaths:

a) Speed Limit Howlett End: Discussed in County Councillor report.

b) Signs around the Parish: Any missing signs to be reported to the Clerk who will report to Highways.

9. Accounts

a) Approval of cheques:

Payments	
Tracy Coston (August)	£ 200.03
E-ON (August)	£ 75.00
Zoom	£ 14.39
100 Parishes	£ 10.00
B H Grounds Maintenance	£ 594.00
Wicksteed Leisure	£ 229.15
Outdoor Jack (Footpaths)	£ 1,092.48
Tracy Coston (September)	£ 200.03
E-On (September)	£ 75.00
CPRE leaflet for Solar Farms	£ 50.00
Total	£ 2,540.08

10. Pavilion and Recreation Ground Maintenance:

a) Condition of the play equipment: Aerial runway to be mended by Ray Searle and Edward Browne.

b) New swing seats: The seats have been received and will be installed. Cllr Foley help to fund the seats.

c) Extension to car park quotes: Quotes to be organised.

d) Bracket on bench: Clerk to organise for another bracket to be put on the seat on the recreation ground.

e) Defibrillator: The Clerk checked the defibrillator and it requires a new battery and pads as the date is expiring.

f) Goals: The goals that have been left in the grass need to be removed.

g) Flail mower left hand and back: Clerk to ask David Lowe to cut the hedge around the recreation ground and down the driveway.

11. General Correspondence:

a) By-Law discussion: Mike Young will look at the by-laws as local parishes cannot help with information.

12. Area Report:

a) UDC Biodiversity map: The PC were reminded to plot onto the map.

13. Date of the next Parish Council Meeting 6th October, 2021 7.30 pm

The meeting finished at 9.40 pm.

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