

Wimbish Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on
3rd February, 2021 at 7.30 p.m.
Remote Zoom meeting

Present: Edward Browne, Philip Northern, Ray Searle, Lynne Ward-Booth, Lindy Scanlan and Mike Cargill

In attendance: Tracy Coston (Clerk), Cllr Stewart Luck

Public: 5

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Mike Young
2. **Councillors to declare pecuniary interests:** None
3. **Public Participation (15 minutes):**
Howlett End Pond: ECC has pumped out the pond and the level of the pond seems to be constant. Any work would have to be carried out in late summer. Hopefully the pond will not overflow.
Sewerage System in Debden Drive: More emails have been sent to the PC and the PC has tried to point out that the sewerage system was passed by UDC planning Department and isn't the PC's responsibility.
The PC asked for the residents of Debden Drive to send a concise letter to the PC summing up the issues and the PC will send this onto the planning department with a covering letter.
4. **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 6th January, 2021:** The previously circulated minutes were approved and sign (remotely) by the Chair.
5. **District Councillor and County Councillor Report:**
District Councillor: It is concerning that there are lots of motorbikes on the byways. A car involved in an accident at Elder Street junction a search was made and drugs were found.
6. **Matters arising**
 - a) **Footpath in Howlett End to White Hart:** Ray Searle has worked on the footpath in Howlett End and has also cut some gullies in Elder Street. Some brambles need cutting back and Mike Cargill offered to cut it back.
 - b) **Email addresses for Councillors:** All email addresses are set up.
 - c) **Letter to Mr Rayner regarding use of commonland:** The PC agreed to send a letter from the solicitors and approved the expense of £ 250.00.
 - d) **No 22 Tye Green:** PC to write to the Grounds Maintenance Team to ask them to cut the hedge around the property.
7. **Planning**
 - a) **Applications:**
UTT/20/3473/FUL East Cottage, Thaxted Road, Wimbish
Proposed change of use from garden to paddock, fencing and erection of stable block.
PC Decision: No objections

b) **Decisions:** None

8. Roads, Highways and Footpaths:

a) **Speed Limit:** Waiting for information about the 30mph through Howlett End.

b) **Signs:** The chevrons near the water tower haven't been replaced and more have been taken out. The Elder Street direction sign missing to Thaxted and the corner sign by Brookes Garage on Thaxted Road broken. All to be reported to Highways.

9. Accounts

a) **Approval of cheques:**

Payments	
Tracy Coston (February)	£ 200.03
E-ON (February)	£ 75.00
Rialtas	£ 37.20
Total	£ 312.23

10. Pavilion and Recreation Ground Maintenance:

a) **Benches at the recreation ground:** The benches will be installed as soon as the weather allows.

b) **Water at entrance to the recreation ground:** The water is still an issue and will be reported on the Highways portal.

c) **Hedge at Recreation Ground:** The hedge to be cut back when the weather allows.

d) **Hedge on the commonland overhanging by-way at Lower Green:** To be organised to be cut.

e) **Verge Cutting:** Edward Browne to investigate if the verge cutting contractor will work directly for the PC.

11. General Correspondence: None

12. Area Report: None

13. Date of the Parish Council Meeting on 3rd March, 2021 at 7.30 pm

The meeting finished at 9pm.

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Date

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