

Wickwar Parish Council Minutes

A meeting for the above Council was held on Wednesday 1st July 2009, at the Town Hall, commencing at 7.30pm.

Attended:

Councillor T Proffitt – Chairman
Councillor M Summers – Vice Chairman
Councillor D Howard
Councillor S Isaac
Councillor R Stimpson
Councillor J Burton

Apologies:

Councillor I Aldous
Ward Councillor H Gawler

Clerk:

Mrs P Trull

Mr H Gawler South Glos District Councillor (Ladden Brook Ward) did not attend this meeting.

Declarations of Interest

Councillors D Howard, T Proffitt, and M Summers Trustees to the Wickwar Educational and General Charities.

All Parish Councillors are Trustees to the King George V Playing Fields.

Councillor D Howard is the Chairman for the Village Hall Committee.

Councillor D Howard is the Chairman for the Community Centre.

Councillor D Howard is a member of the Castle Bridleways Group.

Councillor T Proffitt is the Chairman of the Quarry Liaison Group.

Councillor D Howard is member of the Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust.

Councillor I Aldous is an allotment holder.

Councillor J Burton is a Governor at the Alexander Hosea School.

Councillor Burtons husband is an allotment holder.

Councillors D Howard, R Stimpson and T Proffitt are members of Wickwar Speed Watch.

Councillor D Howard is a member of Sustrans – Sustainable Transport.

Councillor J Burton's husband is an electrician who is working on Grey Barns, Sodbury Road, which is subject to an alleged breach of Planning Control.

Councillor S Isaac

PK09/1128/LB & PK09/1126F - Hall End Farm, Hall End Lane, Wickwar
Formation of opening in wall to facilitate the installation of wooden gate.

PK09/0854/LB – Hall End Farm, Hall End Lane, Wickwar

Rebuilding of 1.7m high stone wall with revised opening (Re-submission of PK09/0372LB

Public Time Session

Parishioners attending this meeting wished to express their opinions regarding the South Glos Council approval of the gypsy and travellers site at Hall End, Wickwar. The notice of South Glos Council's decision is available from Wickwar Parish Council or South Glos Council's web site.

1. Minutes of the last meeting

Signed by Chairman Mr T Proffitt as a fair representation of the Councils June 3rd 2009 meeting.

2. Matters Arising

Extended Footpath – Both sides of the traffic lights. Mr M Parry (South Glos Council, Highways Engineer) has contacted the Clerk to say he is still looking into the matter. The Clerk will contact Mr Parry and report back to the Council at their September meeting.

3. Planning Matters

Grey Barns – Sodbury Road – Alleged breach of planning control.

16.6.09 – Clerk e-mailed SGC. The Clerk will contact SGC Planning Enforcement and report back at the Councils September meeting.

PK09/2703/F – Home Field, Hall End, Wickwar

Change of use from agricultural to gypsy caravan hard standings, pitches, day room, access and driveway.

Objection.

PK09/0854/LB – Hall End Farm, Hall End Lane, Wickwar

Rebuilding of 1.7m high stone wall with revised opening (Re-submission of PK09/0372LB)

No objection

PK09/1143/F – Mill Stream Works, Station Road, Wickwar

Construction of canopy over doorway in south elevation. Replacement of all existing windows, installation of 3 windows in east elevation. Replacement shutter door in east elevation with glazing panels and double doors.

Objection

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No objection

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No objection

4. Report Ward Councillor

Ward Councillor Gawler did not attend this meeting.

5. General Business

Castle Bridleway Group – The Group are now affiliated to the British Horse Society, and as such are covered by an Insurance indemnity for work that may be carried out.

Youth Club – The Youth Club have supplied the Parish Council with a list of goods they need for the club. The Parish Council has decided to give the Club

a donation of £250.00 towards craft equipment and the cookery club.
Proposed by Councillor R Stimpson and seconded by Councillor J Burton.
No vote received against therefore the motion was carried.

South Glos Council – Tree Warden Scheme. The Clerk has advertised this post in the Parish Magazine, Notice Board and the Wickwar web site.
Parishioners have registered any interest. Therefore the Clerk has put herself forward for this voluntary post

Buthay Wall repair – Photo & e-mail to Councillor H Gawler The Clerk will pursue this matter and report back to the Council at their September meeting.

Standing Orders – Council review. The Parish Council has made amendments to the Standing Orders. To be reviewed at the Councils September meeting.

Alzheimer's Society – Request for donation proposed by Councillor D Howard a donation of £50.00, seconded by Councillor S Isaac. No vote received against therefore the motion was carried.

6. Items for information

- Information received from the occupants of Pound Barn. The footpath known as LWR 29, 32 and 33. The route travels through the proposed new playing fields towards Pound Barn and out on to West End Road opposite West End House. The reasons for the proposed footpath diversion will be discussed in full when a formal application is received.

7. Reports

- **Quarry Liaison Group Meeting** – Next meeting 15th July 2009
- **Frome Vale Area Forum** – Next meeting September 2009.
- **Speed Watch** – New member Mr P Wright. Speed Watch continues to slow down Traffic in Wickwar. Data to be printed in the Parish Magazine.
- **Youth Club** - Parish Council representative Mr S Isaac. The Parish Council have suggested commercial bins to be placed in the Youth Club area to replace the black and green bins. The Clerk will write to the Youth Club Services.
- **Neighbourhood Watch** – No reports other than anti social behaviour in Wickwar.
- **Stronger and Safer South Glos Meeting** – Next meeting 1st October 2009.

8. Committee Reports

- **Parish Walk** – Next walk 19th July 2009.

- **King George V Playing Fields**

Guttering – Every time the Parish pays for guttering to be installed on the pavilion roof it gets kicked off and vandalised. The Council is looking into matting to be placed beneath the roof at the front of the pavilion to prevent a mud patch from forming.

Pavilion – Work on the pavilion was agreed to be undertaken by Mr F Vettori. Some of the tiles have come loose beside the showers and need to be replaced.

Play equipment – The Annual ROSPA Report stated that the end of the slide needed to be repaired. Mr F Vettori has agreed to weld the end of the slide.

The ROSPA Report also noted that some of the tiles were loose around the roundabout, and needed to be re-glued and the gaps between the tiles needed to be filled in. The Clerk obtained a quote from Greenfields for £380.00 for this work. Proposed by Councillor S Isaac and seconded by Councillor D Howard. No vote received against therefore the motion was carried. The Clerk will contact Greenfields.

South Glos Council consultation as to the Grants obtained by Wickwar Parish Council for £40.00 for new play equipment. Tina Rainy (SGC) will contact the Council when plans are drawn up and these will be displayed.

Mr N Bennett – Payment for strimming grass - £40.00.

- **Village Hall**

No report at this meeting.

- **Community Centre**

No comment at this meeting.

9. Burial Matters

- Quote for clearing work at Wickwar Parish closed cemetery £250.00
The Clerk will contact Mr P Collins to discuss this matter.
- Wall – Cemetery Repairs
Repairs to the Cemetery wall will be undertaken by Mr F Vettori.
- Bristol Water – Inspection of Parkfield Trough
The Trough was inspected by Bristol Water and found to be in good repair and compliant with regulations. The next inspection will be in five years.

10. Accounts

Cheques signed at this meeting.

Inland Revenue – Clerks NI	£29.28
N Power – Pavilion	£161.89
Wickwar Youth Club – Donation	£250.00
Alzheimer's Society – Donation	£50.00
Mr N Bennett – Strimming Grass (KGV)	£40.00
Mrs P Trull – Virus Detection	£69.99

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on Wednesday 2nd September at the Town Hall, commencing at 7.30pm.