

Wickwar Parish Council Minutes

A meeting for the above Council was held on Wednesday 1st September 2010, at Wickwar Town Hall, commencing at 7.30pm.

Attended:

Councillor T Proffitt (Chairman)
Councillor M Summers (Vice Chairman)
Councillor R Stimpson
Councillor S Isaac
Councillor I Aldous

Apologies:

Councillor D Howard

Ward Councillor Howard Gawler did not attend this meeting.

Declarations of Interests

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

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

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

Councillor D Howard is Chairman of 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 S Isaac - **PK10/1710/RVC** – Hall End Farm, Hall End, Wickwar
Removal of condition 2 attached to appeal decision for PK06/3113/F dated 17th July 2007 to allow the use as a single residential unit. (Re-submission PK09/6085/RVC),
Councillor S Isaac is a neighbour of the owner of this property.

Public Time

Councillor Isaac wished to raise concerns over planning application PK10/2156/CA – 31A High Street Wickwar regarding the demolition of existing barn. The Parish Council will make a site visit to this property and report back at the Council's October meeting. The character of the conservation area should be maintained, and the concept of the unnecessary demolition of a building should be considered.

1. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the Council meeting held on the 7th July 2010, were signed as a fair representation of that meeting.

2. Matters Arising

Co-option Parish Councillor. Will be discussed at the Council's October meeting.

3. Planning Applications

PK10/0892/LB – 54 High Street, Wickwar

Installation of replacement windows to front elevation

No objection

PK10/1202/F – 21 Station Road, Wickwar

Erection of two storey side and rear extension to provide additional living accommodation.

No objection

PT10/1200/FMW – Wickwar Quarry Downs Road, Wickwar

Variation of condition 16 and 17 attached to planning permission N8670 to allow for the operation of the plant required for production of coated road stone only between 0330 and 2300, Monday to Friday (excluding bank holidays) and 0330 and 1800 on Saturdays and for hours outside those 60 occasions in a calendar year.

Objection

Planning Application PT10/1184/MW

Land To South Of Cromhall Quarry, Woodend Lane, Cromhall, Wotton Under Edge, South Gloucestershire, GL12 8AA

Change of use from lorry hard standing (Sui generis) to land for the composting of biodegradable green waste (Class B2) as defined in the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 (as amended).

Construction of earth bund to facilitate the provision of water run off holding tank and associated works.

(For information)

Concerns regarding operation.

PK10/1438/F – Holly House, 67 High Street, Wickwar

Replacement of existing rear dormer window with pitched roof and Juliet balcony. (Re-submissions of PK10 0140/F)

No objection

PK10/1710/RVC – Hall End Farm, Hall End, Wickwar

Removal of condition 2 attached to appeal decision for PK06/3113/F dated 17th July 2007 to allow the use as a single residential unit. (Re-submission PK09/6085/RVC)

No objection

PK10/1849/RVC – The Cottage, 43 High Street, Wickwar

Removal of condition 2 attached to planning permission PK09/0150/F regarding Sound insulation.

Objection

Planning Enforcement – Alleged breach of planning Stable Cottage, Downs Road, Wickwar

South Glos Council Planning Department has confirmed that the work being undertaken is permitted under current planning permissions

PK05/10/0568/OD

PK10/1906/F – The Charity House, 55 High Street, Wickwar

Installation of Sanyo Photovoltaic panels on south elevation of garage roof.

No objection

PK10/2007/LB – Coach House, Oxwick Farm, Wickwar Road

Repairs to walls and masonry.

No objection

PK10/2156/CA – 31A High Street Wickwar

Demolition of existing barn and out building. Erection of 1 dwelling with 2 car park spaces.

4. Report Ward Councillor

Ward Councillor H Gawler did not attend this meeting.

5. **General Business**

Castle Bridleway Group – No report at this meeting

Crossing – High Street – Lollipop person & Alexander Hosea School travel plan. – The Clerk to contact Alexander Hosea Primary School.

Signage Downs Road – No report at this meeting. Reply not received from South Glos Council.

Street Lighting Wickwar – The Clerk to contact SGC regarding Wickwar considering a trial/experimental period.

6. **Items for Information**

Register of correspondence received

7. **Reports**

- **Quarry Liaison meeting** – Next meeting 30th October 2010
Complaints made to Cemex and SGC Environmental Officer Mr N Higgs, regarding obnoxious smells coming from the quarry have now been resolved.
- **Frome Vale Area Forum** – Meeting September 10.
- **Speed Watch** – No report at this meeting.
- **Neighbourhood Watch** - Information and support from Police for Neighbourhood Watch is not forthcoming.
- **Stronger and Safer South Glos meeting** - Next meeting 13th October 2010, Rangeworthy Parish Hall.
- **Parish Walk** – Next walk Sunday 19th September 2010.
- **King George V Playing Fields.**
 - Pavilion electric meter
Phone call received from Caroline Marley, on the 27th July, explaining the old meter had a switch jammed and was only taking readings at the lower rate 24/7. She assumes the new meter is working at the correct rates and has asked the Clerk to photograph the readings on the meter and send them on via e-mail. The Clerks has asked Caroline to address all issues in the letter sent to Npower and reply to them in writing or e-mail.
 - Shutters – PC receiving quotes for new shutters
 - Play builder Sign Template – awaiting reply from SGC
 - Plans – Pavilion – Planning Officer 9th July 2010 – Awaiting reply from Planning Officer Marie Bath.
 - Maintenance KGV – to be discussed at the Council's October meeting.
 - Date of the official opening of the play area. – As yet not agreed.
 - Headlands – Importance of keeping the headlands as a grassed natural area for wild flowers.- Councillor D Howard to contact SGC Environmental Officer/
 - Installation of swings – 26th July 2010
 - Security doors – Pavilion quote – Awaiting quote.
 - Lagging – pavilion roof
 - Request for use of pavilion by WPFA on 18th September.

- Security KGC – Due to problems with vandalism over the summer months. Police have been informed and have kept up a presence over the summer holidays. Alcohol seized by the police from underage drinkers. Clerk reported on the Parish clearing up the mess left behind by revellers.
- **Village Hall Committee** – No report at this meeting.
- **Community Centre** - No report at this meeting
- **Town Hall** – No report at this meeting

8. Burial Matters

IRO – Mr Leonard G G Webb Plot 387

IRO – Mrs Mona J Laker – Plot 388

IRO – Mrs Carole Sutton – Plot 390

IRO – Robert & Phyllis Maxwell – Cremation plot 14A

Burial Board Fees – Increased by 10% with effect from January 2011.

9. Accounts

Mazars Audit announcement of Audit completion placed on parish notice board for parishioners to view and receive copies of the accounts should they so wish, 16.8.10 for the period of 14 working days along with the signed copy of the Annual Return for the year ending March 2010.

Mr C Baker - (Cheque Payable to 'The PCC of Wickwar') £30 for sorting out laptop and getting it back to original settings.

Monthly Accounts.

Cheques signed at this Meeting

N Power Pavilion – Paid by Clerk	£143.08
Wessex Water – KGV – Pavilion	£141.50
Wessex Water - Parkfield Trough	£17.50
Wessex Water – Town Hall	£40.16
Cumbria Clock Company	£152.75
Mazars – Audit fees	£334.88
A Carroll – Cemetery & closed cemetery grass cutting July/August	£300.00
South Glos Council – Dog Bins X 2	£119.15
Mr P Collins – Grass cut KGV June/July/August 2010	4 cuts @ £60
	£240.00
The PCC of Wickwar	£30.00
Inland Revenue – Clerks NI September 10	£33.58

Standing Orders/Direct Debits (September 2010)

Clerks Salary August	£736.36
Clerks Salary September	£738.36
Clock winders salary (quarterly)	£125.00
N Power – Town Hall	£13.00
Telewest - Broadband August	£25.30
Telewest - Broadband September	£25.30

SGC – Council Tax Town Hall –August/September 10 (May – October) £51.00

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on Wednesday 6th October 2010, at the Town Hall, commencing at 7.30pm.