



WIX PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on Monday 25th April 2022 at 7.30 pm

Present: Cllr Guy Nelson (chair), Cllr Gary Bowers (Vice-chair), Cllr Bob Jemmett, Cllr Matt Jones, Cllr Kerry Mitchell

22/045 **Apologies for Absence**

Cllr Bob Stephens, Cllr Kathy Saich

22/046 **To receive members' declaration of interests in items on the agenda**

Councillors to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests, other pecuniary interests, and non-pecuniary interests not already declared.

G. Nelson – expenses

22/047 **Minutes.**

The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting dated 21st March 2022 were accepted as a correct and duly signed by the chair.

22/048 **Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda and other matters that are of mutual interest**

District Councillor Report- Tendring District Councillor Mike Bush

Members Jubilee Grant. Cllr Bush asked that the pc submit their members grant Jubilee paperwork to him for processing.

TDC Community Fund. The final paperwork is to be released in the next two weeks.

Gt Oakley Community Initiative. Looking to change the image and focus of the group to (Gt, LT Oakley and Wix) *GLOW supporting our communities*. They are looking for ambassadors from Wix, for GLOW. Anyone interested can contact Cllr Bush directly, or via the clerk.

VE Sunday- 8th May

COVID Stats- these are going down

TDC Colchester Borders preliminary consultation closes today.

County Councillor Report- available on the website

22/049 **Clerks Report**

The clerk reported that TDC are unable to offer a service whereby they check tree (this is in relation to the tree with some damage on the playing field. Cllr Jones suggested his brother may be able to attend site and give an unbiased assessment of the work required.

Turnpike Mile Stone. The PC have been supplied with a booklet on the milestone project, and will ask the representative to attend the Annual Parish Meeting. A decision on whether to fund or not will be made at the June meeting.

Corbeau rally will consider funding a new defibrillator. Clerk to produce a costed proposal

Gipping- junk dumped at the other end- Clerk to chase for response.

Finance

22/050 Payments

- a) To agree the £150 donation for the raffle first prize at Wix Fayre
Proposed: Cllr Bowers,
Seconded: Cllr Cllr Jemmett
Agreed by all (excl Cllr Mitchell)

- b) To receive monthly finance update and approve payments **(appx 1)
Proposed: Cllr Bowers
Seconded: Cllr Jemmett
Agreed by all

22/051 Planning

None

22/00593/FULHH came in late. This will be discussed at the next meeting

22/052 Jubilee Celebrations

- a) Update- Cllr Mitchell gave an update on the Jubilee plans.
Cllr Mitchell, Robin Rowley, Gill Isbell, Anne Button, Cllr Stephens, Cllr Jemmett, Cllr Saich.
Afternoon Tea 2.30-5pm
Advertise as a jubilee picnic, with cream tea. Marquees will be up. **Thursday evening, lighting the beacon.** Beacon has been checked and is in good and safe condition. The village hall will be required from 8.30pm on the Thursday. Refreshments will be served from the VH at the Beacon lighting. **Jubilee tart. Arial photograph** (drone). **Display of Wix over the last 70 years. Best decorated house in the village.** Anne has done a flyer from Coast to Coast. Ray has agreed to be compere. **Stone painting-school.**
A full program of events will be published shortly.

- b) To approve a budget of £50, for the winner of 'best dressed house' competition (full details to be confirmed) Amazon vouchers.

Proposed: Cllr Mitchell
Seconded: Cllr Nelson
Agreed by all

- c) To discuss the possibility, and agree where appropriate, the painting of the telephone box red, white and blue (and to seek volunteers)- Following a discussion if was agreed to seek a quote to get it refurbished.

- d) To receive a proposal to purchase a memorial seat for the playing field with a budget of £1,000. See link for an example. Additional £200 budget for groundworks

<https://www.memorialbenches.co.uk/collections/teak/products/queens-platinum-jubilee-commemorative-bench-kenilworth-6ft-in-fsc-certified-teak-wood?variant=39816672018513>

Proposed: Cllr Nelson
Seconded: Cllr Jones
Agreed by all

It was agreed to try and secure funding from the development next to the church for this.

22/053 To discuss and agree plans for the 2022 Annual Parish Meeting

The APM will be held on Monday 30th., with discussion topics including Solar Application, The Milestone, and recreation equipment. Refreshments will be served

22/054 Litter Pick

To agree a date, arrangements and budget if required for a spring litter pick
The litter pick will be held on 28th May. Equipment to be provided by TDC, or kindly loaned by Gt Oakley

22/055 Solar Panel for container

To discuss and resolve to purchase a solar panel for the container

Following a discussion, it was resolved to purchase a solar panel (and battery) with a budget of £150.

Proposed: Cllr Nelson

Seconded: Cllr Bowers

Agreed by all

22/056 Crime Report

Report form PCSO Pat Smith (appx 3**)

Break-in at Anglian Timber woodyard. Vehicles stolen (recovered on the A14)

22/057 Correspondence.

Chris Swinburne- cctv Bowl Road to deter/catch flytippers. The pc is looking at this

22/058 Reports, updates and matters of continuing reference.

- **Highways- Clerk.** No update
- **TDALC- Cllr Mitchell.** - Nothing of particular note
- **Village Hall-** new lights in the small hall
- **Recreation area**

Steve Wood has resigned from the 'small area' grass cutting. The pc will need to consider whether they want to do this in house, or hire someone to do this.

22/059 Items to be added to next/future Agenda.

Gym area lighting

MUGA surfacing.

Phone box refurbishment

dog litter wall plate

Will Wix PC host a fireworks display for 2022? Budget and date to be agreed. Proposed budget as last display plus 20%

22/060 Items of interest and note.

Next meeting- Monday 16th May 2022- Annual Meeting of the Parish Council

Annual Parish Meeting- 30th May 2022

Meeting closed 9pm