



WIX PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on Monday 22nd June 2026 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall for the purpose of transacting the following business:

In attendance: Cllr Guy Nelson (chair), Cllr Bob Jemmett, Cllr Gill Isbell, Cllr Pudie Linnell
Clerk- Emma Cansdale
Members of Public: 5

- 26/058 **Apologies for Absence**
Cllr Kathy Saich, Cllr Bob Stephens, Cllr Liza Sinclair
- 26/059 **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. **None**
- 26/060 **The minutes dated 14th May 2026 were accepted as a correct record and duly signed by the chair.**
- 26/061 **Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda and other matters that are of mutual interest**

Mark DeRoy- Mr. DeRoy suggested the pc invite the new Highways portfolio holder to a meeting.

Resident: Public footpath next to Belmont is overgrown. PL to investigate.

Resident: Hedge overgrown on the corner opposite the pub

District Councillor Report- Cllr Mike Bush gave a report on the following key points:
Abbey Bottom Farm application withdrawn.

Local Plan Draft. The government has increased housing number allocations, so the existing Plan is currently exposed for speculative development, until autumn 2027.

TDC are implementing early bin collections during the heat wave.

Tarchon Interconnector- there is a consultation event in the village hall on 9th July.

Local Government Reform. This is potentially undergoing judicial review following the change in Cabinet at Essex County Council.

TDC elections likely to be postponed until 2028

County Councillor Report- available on the website

- 26/062 **Clerks Report**
The clerk reported that the Internal Audit has been completed, and the AGAR and accounts will be signed off this evening..
Wix PC have taken on RCCE membership, for both Parish Council and Village Hall elements.
- 26/063 **Finance Payments**
a) To receive monthly finance update and approve payments **(appx 1)
- Proposed; Cllr Nelson**
Sec. Cllr Linnell
Agreed by all.
- 26/064 **Accounts, Internal Audit report and Annual Governance and Accountability Return.**
1) To review and to consider the findings of the review of the effectiveness of internal control.
2) To resolve to approve the Annual Governance Statement
3) To consider and resolve to approve the Accounting Statements and be signed off by the Chair.
4) To receive the internal audit report
5) To resolve to approve the accounts ending 31st March 2026, and to be signed off by the chair
- Following a review of all documents and a discussion, the resolutions stated above were agreed.
Proposed: Cllr Nelson
Seconded: Cllr Isbell
Agreed by all.
- 26/065 **Planning**
To review and submit comment of the following applications:
Application no: 26/00213/FUL
Proposal: Planning Application - Change of use of the land for the stationing of 6 static homes and 4 touring caravans for Gypsy / Traveller occupation. Associated hard and soft landscaping and ecological enhancements.
Location: Swallowsfield Field Colchester Road Wix Manningtree
- Cllr Stephens supplied a comprehensive objection to the development. Additional key points were raised during the meeting (below), which the clerk will include in the final objection submission.
- Protected material zone in the area. Plot doesn't fall in the 5 acres, but the sewage treatment plan, may encroach.
 - Residents raised concerns regarding the number of permanent and temporary properties. Access concerns.
 - Design and access statement doesn't really exist, with any detail.
 - 60mph speed limit. Site splay not big enough for the existing speed restrictions.
 - Land is not level, this will result in the neighbours being overlooked.
- Comment: Objection- for full objection see the Wix PC website/TDC planning portal*
Proposed: Bob Jemmett
Seconded: Cllr Isbell
Agreed by all
- 26/066 **Insurance renewal**
To resolve to renew with Clear Councils (year 2 in 3 year agreement) Renewal amount £902.18
- Proposed: Cllr Nelson**
Seconded: Cllr Linnell
Agreed by all

- 26/067 **Quiet Garden- Call for help!**
The council would like to carry out some work on the quiet garden at the rear of the playing field. Any volunteers to help with digging, weeding, and planting would be very welcome.
- 26/068 **Crime Report**
- 25/069 **Correspondence.**
Request for permission to set up a bouncy castle on the field to the rear of the hall (hall hired for a party) on 27th July
- Proposed: Cllr Nelson**
 Seconded: Cllr Isbell
 Agreed by all
- Thank you from Wix Wafflers for financial support with the trip to Southwold
- 26/070 **Reports, updates and matters of continuing reference.**
- **Highways- Clerk.**
 - **TDALC- Cllr Stephens**
 - **Village Hall- awaiting invoice for electrical work.**
 - **Pond**
- 26/071 **Items to be added to next/future Agenda/ matters of continuing reference.**
Tree survey, new noticeboards, store door,
Telephone box- July agenda. Hedge on Clacton Road,
- 26/072 **Items of interest and note.**
Next Council Meeting Tuesday 28th July 2026, 7.30pm TBC

Meeting closed: 20:50

Please note there is a new website and contact email address

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