

Wingfield Parish Council Meeting Minutes

[7/16]

Friday, 9th December 2016 at Wingfield Barns

	Action
<p>Subject: Scheduled Parish Council Meeting</p>	
<p>Present: Councillors – Michael Allmey, Michael Harvey, Lee Smith Tony Jolly, Guy Mathias & David Jenvey</p>	
<p>Absentees – Sarah Young sent her apologies</p>	
<p>Residents – Five</p>	
<p>District Councillor – Elizabeth Gibson Harries sent her apologies</p>	
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<p>Declaration of interest – none</p>	
<p>Minutes of previous meeting – these were signed, proposed by MH and seconded by AJ</p>	
<p>Clerk's Report</p>	
<p>Wingfield Green Scrub Removal</p>	
<p>Removal of the scrub needs to take place before the end of February before the next season. The proposal to employ G Hunt to do the work was agreed, proposed by AJ seconded by LS.</p>	Clerk to action
<p>Mr Lyndon Stanford questioned the proposed work and was given leave to contact Suffolk Wildlife Trust and get back to the Council by Jan 7th.</p>	
<p>Crime in Wingfield</p>	
<p>A serious incident took place in Vicarage Road when a 14 year old drove a car into the recently erected public bench and destroyed it. The police had been informed and also given details of recent thefts from outbuildings reported by a resident.</p>	Clerk to update Council
<p>It was agreed to make residents aware of this spate of burglaries and inform the Police/Council of any suspicious behaviour.</p>	
<p>This measure was proposed by LS & seconded by GM.</p>	Clerk to action
<p>Flower Beds</p>	
<p>These have now been constructed and await installation</p>	Clerk to inform Community Committee
<p>Highways</p>	
<p>A report from SCC Highways Department was presented and its impact on Wingfield discussed. It was agreed to maintain pressure on the Dept to ensure all potholes are filled.</p>	Clerk to liaise with SCC
<p>The road work materials left by Essex Water remain on the Green.</p>	Clerk to arrange removal
<p>Broadband</p>	
<p>Vicarage Rd/Castle Crescent will be supplied with an upgraded service in 2017/18, according to BT/Openreach. The Council agreed to continue with its efforts to get a superfast broadband service for the whole of the village.</p>	Clerk to pursue
<p>Cheques</p>	
<p>The cheques: 518 (Clerks Q3 fee - £437.59); 519 (HMRC -£91.00) & 520 (Wingfield Barns hire - £30) were proposed by LS a & seconded by AJ</p>	
<p>The meeting closed at 8.55pm</p>	
<p>The next meeting will take place on Friday, February 10th, 2017 at W. Barns</p>	
<p>Signed:</p>	
<p style="text-align: right;">Chairman</p>	

EGH reported:

MSDC will merge with Babergh DC in May 2017 and move its HQ to Endeavour House, Ipswich.. However, MSDC will remain sovereign and maintain a presence in Needham Market.

Devolution plans to merge Suffolk CC with Norfolk CC are floundering and unlikely to take place.

The ambulance service in the region is being overhauled. Calls to the service are more likely to be answered by first responders then ambulance if required. A status report on this change should be available for the next meeting

Jane Storey has been appointed to answer all broadband enquiries at SCC

Roads

It was agreed that a letter be written to Guy MacGregor at SCC re: the state of village roads (including passing places) and the poor quality of repairs that have taken place. Copy to EGH

Wingfield Green Scrub Clearance

The quote from Barry Day and budget analysis of funds to pay for it was presented. Alternative quotes were requested.

Tree planting on Wingfield Green

Two suggestions were raised. A wood to commemorate J. Leper and further development of Jubilee Wood.

Cheques

Cheques 514 (Waveney Tree Surgeons - £600), 515 (Clerk fees -£148.32) & 516 (HMRC- £91) were proposed by LS and seconded by MH

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The next PC meeting is scheduled for December 2nd, 2016. It will be held at Wingfield Barns (Studio 4) and start at 7.30pm

Signed

Dated