

Wendens Ambo Parish Council

Minutes of Meeting 5th March, 2018

Wendens Ambo Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, Royston Road, Wendens Ambo, Essex, CB11 4JX at 8pm.

Present: Chairman Isobel Grant, Cllr Andrew Farrimond, Cllr Jim Grant, Cllr Alan Lovett, Cllr Guy Morrogh, Cllr Jo Slota-Newson and Cllr Ann Wade.

In Attendance: District Cllr Robert Chambers, 3 members of the Public and the clerk.

03/18/01	Chairman 's Welcome Chairman Isobel Grant welcomed those present to the meeting.
03/18/02	Apologies For Absence Apologies for absence were received and accepted from County Cllr John Moran.
03/18/03	Declarations Of Interests No declarations.
03/18/04	Public Participation A member of the public asked when planning decision notifications would be heard. The clerk confirmed that they are included within the clerk's report.
03/18/05	County Councillor's Report Not present.
03/18/06	District Councillor's Report District Cllr Chambers confirmed that the draft Local Plan is on track for making Regulation 19 in June.
03/18/07	Previous Minutes Councillors agreed the minutes of the February Parish Council meeting as a true and accurate record of proceedings and Chairman Isobel Grant signed the minutes.
03/18/08	Clerk's Report i. Unfortunately only one quote has been received relating to the retarmacing of the path across The Wick and the entrance to The Wick. It was resolved that the clerk would investigate further quotations for approval at the April PC meeting. ii. MP Kemi Badenoch responded to the clerk's email requesting assistance in resolving the Highways issues, suggesting booking an appointment at a Highways Surgery to speak directly with Cllr Grundy as the Cabinet Member responsible for Highways. iii.UDC legal team have not responded to requests for an update on the transfer of the Green Triangle or confirmed when the council will receive the related draft papers. District Cllr Chambers agreed to pursue this matter. iv. Thanks to Cllr Grant for ordering and replacing the litter bin at the bus stop. v. Following agreement by councillors on the suitability of the replacement gate, TEG are booked to install the new gate 06/03/18. vi. The following planning decisions were noted; UTT/17/3635/FUL - Rear of 2 and 4 Station Road, Wendens Ambo. Erection of a one and a half storey two bedroomed dwelling and associated parking - Approved with conditions. UTT/17/3298/FUL - St Mary The Virgin Church, Church Street. Erection of 3 below ground floodlight units and reinstallation of lighting to lamp post in front of entrance porch - Approved with conditions. UTT/17/3598/FUL - River View, Mill Lane Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of one detached bungalow with garage - Approved with conditions. UTT/18/0021/HHF - The Rookery, Rookery Lane Garden room - Approved with conditions. The clerk confirmed that she has not received decision notifications from UDC since July 2017 (but has for another council) and has asked UDC to rectify this issue. Having been initially told that they do not send decision notification to clerks the planning department stated that the issue had arisen as the clerk isn't registered and that monthly comments submitted by the clerk on behalf of the council have been registered as from a neighbour despite the clerk correctly filling in the online form council stating she is the clerk. The clerk does however receive

	planning applications and other documents from UDC. District Cllr Chambers agreed to ensure that the decision notifications are reinstated and it was agreed that Chairman Grant would email planning to ensure the matter is resolved.
03/18/09	Financial Report The clerk presented a statement and review of accounts and cheques for payment; 749 - Mr J Grant - shovels - £14.07 750 - Village Hall Hire - Jan/Feb - £20.00 751 - Mr J Grant - litter bin - £70.19 752 - Clerk's salary Feb 2018 - £282.07 753 - Clerk's expenses Feb 2018 - £80.94 which were approved for payment.
03/18/10	Planning UTT/17/3558/HHF - 21 Station Road, Wendens Ambo. Dropped kerb. It was agreed that the Parish Council has no objections to this application. It was agreed that the clerk would email Planning to query why no planning application was required for the dropped kerb that has appeared at the plot which was the garden of 2 and 4 Station Road.
03/18/11	Village Works i. It was agreed that Cllr Grant would request volunteers for a test group of 10-15 residents to measure and analyse broadband speed in the parish. ii. Chairman Grant confirmed that the hall is available on Saturday 17th March 2-4pm for set up for the Village Gathering and also 10.45am-11.30am prior to the meeting on Sunday 18th March. Chairman Grant agreed to email attendees and organise snacks and Cllr Farrimond will organise drinks. iii. It was agreed that the new grit bin on Rookery Lane will be located back from the road, by the end of the white fence. It was agreed that Cllr Grant would order the bin and thanks were extended to Satham for being so accommodating and helpful. iv. The Litter Pick is advertised for a 10.30am meet at the Village Hall on 10/03/18. v. Chairman Grant confirmed that unfortunately the Youth club has closed due to lack of support. District Cllr Chambers agreed to clarify with the UDC legal team about conditions attached to grants previously given and advise about the assets of the club. vi. It was agreed that protection for the new notice board will be resolved once the weather has improved. vii. It was agreed that the council would not currently install a notice board on Rookery Lane.
03/18/12	Highways The council were disappointed by the response received from Cllr Grundy and responded reiterating their concerns regarding the unsafe road conditions in the parish, provided a full overview of the issues and detailed several changes that Essex Highways should make to improve standards within highway maintenance. To date the response has been a nine page inspection report covering Royston Road 02/03/2017-02/03/2018.
03/18/13	General Data Protection Regulations It was agreed that actions would be required to comply with the GDPR when it comes into effect in May, but until further clarity and guidance is given no decisions could be made.
03/18/14	Matters to be raised for next meeting. Graffiti on the viaduct. Discontinuation of the mobile library. Telephone box renovations. Byway closure - request for clarity of process.
02/18/15	Public Participation Congratulations to Wendens Ambo Pre-School on their recent outstanding rating by Ofsted. Chairman Grant requested that thanks be extended to all who distributed the village questionnaire alongside the Parish News. It was agreed to hold an Extra-Ordinary General Meeting on Monday 12th March at 8pm to agree a response to the planning applications from Stansted Airport Limited - UTT/18/0460/FUL - Airfield works comprising two new taxiway links to the existing runway (a Rapid Access Taxiway and a Rapid Exit Taxiway), six additional remote aircraft stands (adjacent Yankee taxiway); and three additional aircraft stands (extension of the Echo Apron) to enable combined airfield operations of 274,000 aircraft movements and a throughput of 43 million terminal passengers, in a 12-month calendar period.
	Meeting closed at 21.45

The date of the next Parish Council Meeting is 9th April, 2018 at 8pm in Wendens Ambo Village Hall. The draft minutes of the meetings are posted and displayed in the Church Porch, The Fighting Cocks and The Bell. Members of the public and press are welcome to attend any Parish Council meeting.