

# Wendens Ambo Parish Council

## Draft Minutes of Parish Council Meeting 4th November, 2019

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

Present: Chair Gail Gibbs, Cllr Trevor Back, Cllr Kathryn Butterworth, Cllr Clive Glazebrook, Cllr Alan Lovett, Cllr Simon Rowley and Cllr Sam Slota-Newson

In Attendance: District Cllr Neil Gregory, 4 members of the public, and the clerk.

<b>11/19/01</b>	<b>Chair`s Welcome</b> Chair Gail Gibbs welcomed everyone to the meeting.
<b>11/19/02</b>	<b>Apologies For Absence</b> Apologies for absence were received and noted from District Cllr Richard Pavitt.
<b>11/19/03</b>	<b>Declarations Of Interests</b> None.
<b>11/19/04</b>	<b>Public Participation</b> Two representatives from Wendens Ambo Mini Rugby Football Club detailed their regular training at JFAN and games played at Carver Barracks, and explained that they are keen to remember their roots, and so host an annual fun day for their members in December on The Wick. 2019 is their 25th Anniversary and this year`s fun day is planned for Saturday 7th December. Permission has been granted for vehicles to park at the cricket ground and also at The Bell PH, and parking marshals will be used to ensure there are no parking related issues. The Council noted the presence of several rabbit holes on The Wick and requested a copy of WAMRFC`s public liability insurance certificate to be sent to the clerk prior to the fun day taking place. A member of the public noted their submission of a grant application to the Council.
<b>11/19/05</b>	<b>County Councillor`s Report</b> None.
<b>11/19/06</b>	<b>District Councillor`s Report</b> District Cllr Neil Gregory updated the meeting regarding; i. Stansted Airport planning application - The judicial review hearing brought by Stop Stansted Expansion will be held next week, it is highly likely that the S106 fund will be revisited in great detail, and it is hoped that the application will be resolved by Christmas. ii. The Inspectors response to the Local Plan is three weeks overdue, possibly due to the Inspectors having to rewrite a significant amount due to the South Cambridgeshire District Council`s approval of the Wellcome Genome application which includes 1500 new dwellings, a vast increase in the research space and a new research park. iii. District Cllrs Richard Pavitt and Neil Gregory met with the District Chief Inspector and Deputy Fire and Police Officer, who confirmed that new officers are being recruited, will complete training in April 2020 and some of whom will be allocated to address rural crime. The new CI is engaged with local concerns, promises to focus on speeding and to be more robust across the district. The clerk asked District Cllr Neil Gregory to investigate with UDC`s Planning Department, the sporadic availability of documents on the UDC planning website.
<b>11/19/07</b>	<b>Previous Minutes</b> Councillors agreed the minutes of the October Parish Council meeting as a true and accurate record of proceedings and Chair Gail Gibbs signed the minutes.
<b>11/19/08</b>	<b>Clerk`s Report</b> The clerk reported; i. Signage within the Conservation Area on Church Path would require planning permission. ii. The Panel Meeting to decide CIF grants has been delayed again, this time from 25/10 to 15/11. iii. An application for £468 has been submitted to ECC Micro-Grant to fund the professional clean of the playground safety matting. iv. The application to add Cllrs Slota-Newson and Glazebrook as signatories is completed and awaits signatures before submission.

	<p>v. An extension has been requested and granted until 08/11 for planning application UTT/19/2498/FUL.</p> <p>vi. The Green Waste Weekend Skip Service will cost £2739 for a weekly one hour service April-December 2020.</p> <p>vii. Quotes requested from Mercer Tree Services, Tisserand English Gardens and Treetops. Further quotes to be requested from Hardy Landscapes and Falcon Tree Specialists.</p>
<b>11/19/09</b>	<p><b>Financial Report</b></p> <p>i. The purchase of the memorial plaque at £118.75 was agreed.</p> <p>ii. It was resolved that the Parish Council would not financially support the request for funding from Home Start Essex.</p> <p>iii. The clerk presented a statement and review of accounts and cheques for payment;</p> <p>854 - The Play Inspection Company Ltd - £95.94</p> <p>855 - England Signs - memorial plaque - £118.75</p> <p>856 - Clerk`s salary October 2019 - £313.72</p> <p>857 - Clerk`s expenses October 2019 - £54.57</p> <p>DD - eSlip Ltd - monthly payroll November 2019 - £17.96</p> <p>858 - Hardy Landscapes Ltd - grass cutting October 2019 - £142.80</p> <p>859 - Village Hall Hire - Sept/Oct 2019 - £30.00</p> <p>These were agreed for payment.</p>
<b>11/19/10</b>	<p><b>Planning</b></p> <p>The following comments were agreed for return to Uttlesford District Council;</p> <p>i. UTT/19/2498/FUL - Land South Of The Mill, Royston Road, Wendens Ambo Erection of a block of 8 no. residential units together with associated infrastructure, works and landscaping. <u>The Parish Council agreed to object to this application on the following grounds and requested that District Cllr Gregory calls the application in to Committee:</u></p> <p><u>a. Height - The three storeys are over-bearing, not in keeping with the local area and would overlook neighbouring properties and detrimentally impact the views of and from the Grade 1 listed St Mary`s Church, community cricket pitch and create an unnecessarily urban skyline in a rural setting. ( In contravention of ULP Policy GEN2 a,b,h and i.)</u></p> <p><u>b. Access - There is no pedestrian access to the dwellings, visibility at the entrance/exit to the site is restricted and dangerous for vehicles, exacerbated by the narrow bridge and the high volume of commuters accessing Audley End Station. It would also appear that insufficient parking spaces have been provided to comply with Vehicle Parking Standards. (In contravention of ULP Policy Gen 1a,b,c and d, and ULP Policy GEN 8.)</u></p> <p><u>c. Sewerage - There is a lack of clarity regarding the location of the klargester and the adequacy of the system.</u></p> <p>The following planning decisions were noted;</p> <p>ii. UTT/19/1869/HHF - 33 Station Road, Wendens Ambo Vehicle crossing and hardstanding - <u>Approved with conditions.</u></p> <p>iii. UTT/19/1870/HHF - 35 Station Road, Wendens Ambo Vehicle crossing and hardstanding - <u>Approved with conditions.</u></p>
<b>11/19/11</b>	<p><b>The Wick</b></p> <p>i. It was agreed that the clerk would request further quotations to cut back foliage and trim the trees and hedge on The Wick, for consideration at the December meeting.</p> <p>ii. It was agreed that Cllr Slota-Newson would confirm and circulate the qualification and certification of his contact, before his services are engaged.</p>
<b>11/19/12</b>	<p><b>The Green Triangle</b></p> <p>Cllr Slota-Newson detailed the quotes to maintain the established tree on the green triangle, plant 4-6 small fruit trees and wildflowers and successional bulbs around the trees, allowing for a mown path to the bench. The Clerk noted that a Micro-Grant from ECC is not available to the Parish Council as they have applied for work on The Wick and only one application can be made per financial year. it was agreed that Cllr Slota-Newson would proceed as the works are budgeted expense.</p>
<b>11/19/13</b>	<p><b>Projector</b></p> <p>It was agreed that Cllr Butterworth would continue to provide large printed copies of planning</p>

	applications where necessary, at a cost of £2/A1 sheet.
<b>11/19/14</b>	<b>Wendens Ambo Mini Rugby Christmas Event</b> The Council noted the event on 7th December 2019 and wish WAMRFC every success with their Fun Day.
<b>11/19/15</b>	<b>Green Waste Weekend Skip Service</b> Following consideration of suitable sites and reports from other areas, it was agreed that the Council would not sign up for UDC's Green Waste Weekend Skip Service.
<b>11/19/16</b>	<b>Matters to be raised for next meeting.</b> i. Budget ii. Precept. iii. Grant Application received.
<b>11/19/17</b>	<b>Public Participation</b> The Public raised the following items; i. The feasibility of hiring a Vehicle Activated Sign to trial it. ii. The use of the play park reserves to purchase new equipment.
	<b>Meeting closed at 21.34</b>

The date of the next Parish Council Meeting will be held on 2nd December, 2019 at 8pm in Wendens Ambo Village Hall. The draft minutes of the meetings are posted on [www.wendensambo.org.uk](http://www.wendensambo.org.uk) and displayed in the village notice board, in the Church Porch, The Fighting Cocks and The Bell. Members of the public and press are welcome to attend any Parish Council meeting.