

Wendens Ambo Parish Council

Draft Minutes of Parish Council Meeting 1st October, 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 and Cllr Jo Slota-Newson .

In Attendance: 2 members of the public and the clerk.

10/18/01	Chairman 's Welcome Chairman Isobel Grant welcomed those present to the meeting.
10/18/02	Apologies For Absence Apologies for absence were received and accepted from County Cllr John Moran, District Cllrs Julie Redfern and Robert Chambers and Cllr Ann Wade.
10/18/03	Declarations Of Interests None.
10/18/04	Public Participation None.
10/18/05	County Councillor`s Report In County Cllr Moran`s absence Chairman Grant detailed County Cllr Moran`s request for three low value Highway requests. Chairman Grant went on to detail the following recent issues; i. Damage to Duck Street made by the heavy equipment used to repair Rookery Lane. ii. Deposits of tar on Duck Street dropped by the machinery used to repair Rookery Lane. iii. White lines have been missed out at the junction of the crossing to London Road. iv. Drayton Hill currently has no centre line, although work is still scheduled. v. The white line continues over a pile of horse manure on Royston Road. vi. The junction of Royston Road and Bear Walden Business park requires improved road markings and signage. There are no "slow" signs by the bridge and the roundabout to Station Approach requires repainting. vii. Complaints have been received regarding transport to schools. ECC state that there needs to be safe walking route for transport to schools, however it is not believed that ECC have ever walked the routes. It was agreed that Chair Grant would write to ECC requesting confirmation and requesting a copy of any consolidating report. A letter has been despatched to ECC pointing out that the walking routes are not safe and there is a meeting of local parents on Wednesday to discuss the matter further.
10/18/06	District Councillor`s Report In the absence of a District Councillor, Chairman Grant informed the meeting that the Local Plan requires amendment due to issues highlighted by the Inspector. There is a query regarding the West of Braintree proposed development. If this is not approved, the UDC adjoining development will not proceed.
10/18/07	Previous Minutes Councillors agreed the minutes of the September Parish Council meetings as true and accurate records of proceedings and Chairman Isobel Grant signed the minutes.
10/18/08	Clerk`s Report i. No response has been received relating to the requests for detailed breakdown of costs to fund a PCSO. Information obtained elsewhere details the cost as £36,000 p/a, which after match funding from UDC and division by number of electorate works out as a cost of £6.51 p/a per electorate. ii. Quotations for the hedge cutting and tree pruning on Drayton Hill should arrive this week. iii. UTT/18/1972/FUL - confirmation received from UDC that condition 9 does not need discharging, only noting. It was agreed that the clerk would request clarification as to if the plan proceeds, why is it not required to adhere to Requirement M4(2) of Building Regulations 2010 Approved Document M, volume 1 2015.

10/18/09	<p>Financial Report</p> <p>i. It was agreed that the Council would renew membership of the Rural Community Council of Essex at a cost of £44 + VAT.</p> <p>iii. The clerk presented a statement and review of accounts and cheques for payment;</p> <p>787 - RCCE - Annual membership - £52.80.</p> <p>788 - Wendens Ambo Village Hall - hall hire July 18 - £20.00.</p> <p>789 - Hardy Landscapes Ltd - grass cutting August 18 - £276.00</p> <p>790 - Mrs I Grant - 20`s plenty signage - £47.01.</p> <p>791 - Mrs A Lindsell - clerk`s salary Sept 18 - £306.55.</p> <p>792 - Mrs A Lindsell - clerk`s expenses Sept 18 - £68.57.</p> <p>These were agreed for payment.</p>
10/18/10	<p>Planning</p> <p>i. UTT/18/2572/OP- Chaumiere, Nats Lane, Wendens Ambo Outline application, with all matters reserved except for access, for the erection of 1 no. dwelling and garage with associated access and parking, and demolition of existing garage. <u>No Objections.</u></p> <p>ii. UTT/18/2352/DOC - Draytons Hill Cottage Royston Road Wendens Ambo Application to discharge Condition 2 (External finishes - samples/photos) and 3 (Landscaping works) attached to UTT/17/2572/FUL dated 24/11/2017. <u>No comment as already discharged.</u> The council noted the following planning decisions;</p> <p>iii. UTT/17/3764/TPO -APP/TPO/C1570/6663: St Marys Church, Wendens Ambo <u>Part allowed and part dismissed</u> - The reduction in the crown of Tree T13 to 9m is now permitted, remains of the appeal are dismissed.</p> <p>iv. UTT/18/1972/FUL - Land To The West Of Royston Road Wendens Ambo Removal of condition 9 (The dwelling hereby permitted must be built in accordance with Requirement M4(2) (Accessible and adaptable dwellings) of the Building Regulations 2010 Approved Document M, Volume 1 2015 edition) from planning permission UTT/17/2572/FUL for the erection of 1 no. dwelling - <u>Withdrawn.</u></p>
09/18/11	<p>Village Works</p> <p>i. Cllr Grant confirmed his request to Open Reach to examine the wiring in Cabinet 2 and rewire, BT have confirmed that this is the issue, however Open Reach insist that end users contact their supplier with issues and are more interested in trying to sell products.</p> <p>ii. Cllr Morrogh agreed to lend Cllr Farrimond a divider rod to help determine the source of the power for the light on Church Path.</p> <p>iii. Chair Grant confirmed that the Youth Club assets are not yet resolved, although a cheque for £947.57 is anticipated.</p> <p>iv. A member of the public detailed speedwatch equipment possibly available to purchase and agreed to enquire further.</p> <p>v. It was agreed to finalise the Village Questionnaire results at the November meeting.</p> <p>vi. Cllr Lovett agreed to trim the tree branches overhanging on The Wick.</p> <p>vii. Four "20`s plenty" signs have been installed at The Wick, Rookery Lane and Duck Street junctions and between the level crossing and London Road.</p> <p>viii. Chair Grant reminded the council of the Litter Pick on 13th October, all welcome.</p> <p>ix. It was Cllr Grant would contact local electricians for advice and investigate whether the cabinet could be muted by removing the speaker or if the cabinet can be removed for repair.</p> <p>x. It was agreed that the two foot local grown oak would be a suitable replacement memorial tree for Ron Cain and that it would be planted in a different spot to encourage growth.</p> <p>xi. The results of the UDC Community Awards are not yet available.</p> <p>xii. It was agreed to purchase the 101mm diameter bollard, to be painted yellow and installed at the same site, including removal of the damaged bollard at a cost of £361.94 + VAT.</p> <p>xiii. It was resolved that the clerk would proceed with the work on the hedges on The Wick once the quotation is received, if the price remains the same as previous work.</p> <p>xiv. It was resolved that the clerk would proceed with the pruning of the trees on the corner of Drayton Hill once the quotation is received, if under £100.</p> <p>xv. Chair Grant confirmed that four plaques have been removed from The Wick for cleaning. The Elsie Pledger plaque is missing and it was agreed that Chair Grant would discuss this with Sue Watson.</p>

	<p>xvi. Chair Grant resolved to again contact UDC regarding the still unemptied litter bin near the Fighting Cocks.</p> <p>xvii. The Local Election Date for 2019 has been confirmed as 2nd May.</p>
10/18/12	<p>The Green Triangle</p> <p>i. It was agreed that Cllr Slota-Newson would organise a team to co-ordinate the general maintenance of the Green Triangle, including trimming of the tree, removal of the two iron posts and replacement of the bench. Cllr Farrimond agreed to enquire at the station whether the Council could have a notice board at the station and it was suggested that a map of the village highlighting walks and historical buildings could replace the current dilapidated notice board.</p> <p>ii. Chair Grant confirmed that the transfer of land is nearly complete.</p>
10/18/13	<p>Parish Council Meeting Dates 2019</p> <p>The Parish Council meeting dates for 2019 were agreed as; 7th January, 4th February, 4th March, 18th March (Annual Parish Meeting), 8th April, 13th May (Annual Parish Council Meeting), 10th June, 8th July, 2nd September, 7th October, 4th November, 2nd December.</p>
10/18/14	<p>Commemoration of the Centenary of the End of WW1</p> <p>Cllr Farrimond confirmed the proposed events to mark the commemoration of the centenary of the end of WWI;</p> <p>i. Concert in the Church - Saturday 10th November.</p> <p>ii. Enhanced Church Service - Sunday 11th November 10.30am.</p> <p>iii. Village event in the Village Hall after the Church Service - details not yet confirmed.</p> <p>It was agreed that the Parish Council would contribute £100 towards costs for the function in the Village Hall and that Cllr Farrimond would apply for £100 from Stansted Airport Community Trust.</p> <p>Cllr Grant agreed to forward his electronic copy of the 2014 commemoration to Cllr Farrimond.</p>
10/18/15	<p>Boxing Day Treasure Hunt</p> <p>A £75 budget was agreed for the Boxing Day Treasure Hunt. It was noted that a volunteer is required to take over the running of this event.</p>
10/18/16	<p>Local Highways Panel</p> <p>It was agreed that the following items would be submitted for consideration by the Local Highways Panel;</p> <p>i. Introduction of a 30mph speed limit from London Road, through the level crossing and throughout Rookery Lane, particularly as the new smooth surface of Rookery Lane will encourage drivers to drive faster.</p> <p>ii. Request for a safety survey to be carried out at the junction of London/Cambridge Road and Station Road.</p> <p>iii. Patching works on Station Road are wasted money and is already breaking up, this road needs properly resurfacing.</p> <p>iv. Winter closure of Byway 10 Clanver End to Newport - this byway is badly damaged during the winter months by 4x4s and motor bikes, making it impassable and dangerous for walkers, cyclists and runners.</p>
10/18/17	<p>Funding for Village Police Community Support Officer</p> <p>It was agreed that this matter could not be considered without further details.</p>
10/18/18	<p>Matters to be raised for next meeting.</p> <p>i. Policing Issues - Suggestion to invite new Police Community Officers to attend PC meetings.</p> <p>ii. Subsidy for Village magazine.</p> <p>iii. Grit bin installation.</p>
10/18/19	<p>Public Participation</p> <p>None</p>
	<p>Meeting closed at 21.55</p>

The date of the next Parish Council Meeting is 5th November, 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.