

## 13/1 WICKHAM BISHOPS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes	
Item	Subject
13/69	<p><b>In the chair</b> Cllr MacGregor.  <b>Present;</b> Cllrs Bass, Bates, Johnson, Mickelsen, Pink, Sayers and Wardrop.  <b>Acting Clerk</b> Mr Letch  <b>Apologies for absence</b> Wendy Jacob</p> <p><b>30 members of the public</b></p>
13/70	<p><b>Declaration of interests and compliance with the ethical framework.</b></p> <p>Cllr Sayers. Lemontree cottage.</p>
13/71	<p><b>Approval of Minutes.</b>            To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2013            13/47 Jacob – environment, Johnson – Transport</p> <p>Resolved. To accept the minutes as a true record of the meeting of 2<sup>nd</sup> July with the above correction.</p>
13/72	<p><b>Police report</b></p> <p>PC Lea Keene reported that there have been four incidents; theft from one stop shop, vehicle interference in station road and two incidents of a personal nature that did not impact on the community. There have been no reports of antisocial behaviour. The community speedwatch is up and running.</p>
13/73	<p><b>Public speaking.</b></p> <p>The owners of Lemon Tree Cottage – extension on lemon tree cottage. Spoke in support of their extension and their Neighbour spoke, concerned about the proximity and size of extension and may cause rights of access over his land. Requesting that the council carries out a site visit prior to make a decision.</p> <p>Prior to the meeting several letters of comment had been received. The council heard representation from the members of the public about the proposed development in Snows Corner, some of which reinforced the points made in writing.</p> <p>In summary , points made were;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• District Council has concerns about the ability of the infrastructure and Highways have concerns about the volume of traffic.</li> <li>• There is no need for the houses.</li> <li>• Expressed concern that a project of this size come into being without sufficient notice, and how the site was considered?</li> <li>• What other sites have been considered and why were they discounted?</li> <li>• Village design statement states that 98% of residents valued the rural nature of the village and favoured the development of brownfield sites.</li> <li>• Residents were informed that the proposal was the better option, giving rise to a fear that a worse plan would be implemented if the current one was not adopted.</li> <li>• The infrastructure cannot cope and water management remains an issue without these additional homes.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The social housing is not necessarily appropriate for the village, and there is no need to incorporate it into significant development which goes against the District Council's guidelines.</li> <li>• There has already been a lot of development, predominantly of larger housing and this way of redressing the imbalance.</li> <li>• There has not been sufficient consultation and a lack of organisation. The council was not sufficiently open about the development, and has not taken the views of the residents into consideration.</li> </ul>
<p><b>13/74</b></p>	<p><b>Planning,</b> To note the weekly decision lists.</p> <p>To note the decisions made at the planning meeting on Friday 23rd August 2013.</p> <p>FUL/MAL/13/00693 Bouncers, Wickham Hall Lane W/Bishops Variation of condition 2 of approved application FUL/MAL/10/00788. <span style="float: right;">Referred back to MDC</span></p> <p>HOUSE/MAL/13/00682 Lemon Tree Cottage 9 Handleys Lane W/B Proposed front and rear single storey extensions and alterations.</p> <p>Planning committee returned a split decision. 5 in favour, 1 against 1 abstention. <span style="float: right;">Approved.</span></p> <p>FUL/MAL/13/00738 Greenlands Maypole Rd Wickham, Bishops Construction of new dwelling (following demolition of previous dwelling.) <span style="float: right;">Approved.</span></p> <p>OUT/MAL/13/00710 PP-02798333 Land south of 2 Kelvedon Rd W/B Residential development of 4 detached dwellings.</p> <p>Referred back to full council with a recommendation for refusal. Unanimous</p> <p>HOUSE/MAL/13/0-0779 Gun farm Maypole Rd Wickham Bishops Single storey extension to side of property. <span style="float: right;">Approved.</span></p>
<p><b>13/75</b></p>	<p><b>Village homes for village people</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">attached report</a> which covers most of the points raised by the meeting. The planning committee is recommending continuing with the project, but taking into consideration the points raised by the residents. <span style="float: right;">Resolved.</span></p> <p>The council will continue carried with one abstention. Cllr Bass abstained.</p>
<p><b>13/76</b></p>	<p><b>Chairman's report</b></p> <p>Good councillors guide recommends that meetings should last no longer than 2 hours Thanks to those who organised and attended the picnic Dog Bins restored (see item 13/89)</p>

13/77	<p><b>Clerk's report</b> None</p>
13/78	<p><b>District Council report.</b> To receive reports from District Councillor Bass.</p> <p>LDP consultation published at last month and the council should make representation, as should the individual councillors and residents. Change in legislation allow the district to keep more of the business rates, and this is inspiring the DC to find those that are not paying their rates.</p> <p>MDC Still working with the Maldon Hospital but delays are building as consultation continues.</p> <p>MDC Senior management is being restructured in the face of a finance deficit caused by reduction in the central government funding.</p>
13/79	<p><b>Neighbourhood Watch Report</b></p> <p>There was an attempted break in at a property on School Road and the resident could not get in touch with the Neighbourhood watch Co-Ordinator and the found the Maldon Police Number was not correct.</p> <p>The clerk was instructed to write to the Maldon Police asking that the contact details are kept up to date.</p>
13/80	<p><b>EALC report – any urgent information</b></p> <p>EALC have been given notice to quit, and new premises have been found in Dunmow. Eric Pickles will open the building.</p> <p>26<sup>th</sup> September EALC Conference at 2.30 followed by the AGM both at Foakes hall.</p>
13/81	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>There was no correspondence that was not already covered in other agenda items. However it was noticed that correspondence from MDC was not coming through properly. The Clerk to circulate an email to MDC to advise them of the correct address and email.</p>
13/82	<p><b>Finance</b></p> <p>To receive a report on receipts and payments to be made and to approve cheques for payment.</p> <p>Resolved to accept the report as presented. Proposed Cllr Mickelsen, Seconded Cllr Wardrop.</p>
13/83	<p><b>Railway viaduct update</b></p> <p>Cllr Johnson has researched the wording of the sign and found most of the content and some drawings of the sign. Interest is being shown in incorporating the site into district wide walks.</p>
13/84	<p><b>Speed watch update.</b></p> <p>19 sessions have been held and 132 drivers have been measured exceeding the limit. New volunteers have been recruited and checks have started following a short break. 46 vehicles exceeding the limit were clocked in one hour with some vehicles travelling at 47 m.p.h. Checks are planned for Beacon Hill at seven in the morning and five in the evening. Success depends on the number of volunteers available to carry out the checks. A proposal to purchase our own speed gun will be dicussed at the next meeting.</p>

<b>13/ 85</b>	<b>Salt bag partnership</b> Address for delivery provided. Delivery expected in September, when a decision about distribution will be required.
<b>13/86</b>	<b>Honours board update.</b> <b>Carry forward.</b>
<b>13/87</b>	<b>Recruitment of permanent clerk</b> Resolved, Kyra Claeys to be appointed as clerk and RFO. Proposed Cllr MacGregor, seconded Cllr Wardrop.
<b>13/88</b>	<b>Committee reports: -</b>  BHSA, Environment/street cleaning, Public Rights of Way, Amenities, Highways, Transport Emergency Planning, Parish Plan, Crime Reduction, Finance Committee, Website – progress on PC user addresses
<b>13/89</b>	<b>General village news and matters for information.</b>  Street cleaning and the environment - the new dog bin has been erected in Back Lane and the one in Grange Road has been repaired but the council am still waiting for the bin to be repaired in Handleys Lane.  BHSA - further work is to be undertaken on the Handley's Lane culvert which has caused flooding to the footpath. There is a quiz night on 18th October and I was asked if the Parish Council would do a table? The date for the Christmas Fayre is Saturday 30th November.  Data Protection/ Information Storage – Adopted protocols need to be considered regarding the retention and storage of information.  W H Brown – using Wickham Bishops village sign to promote the use of their service to sell homes in the area. Clerk to write to the agent informing them they are not allowed to use the sign.
<b>13/90</b>	<b>Date of next meeting</b> October 1 <sup>st</sup> 2013
<b>13/91</b>	<b>Close of meeting</b>