

WIXAMS PARISH COUNCIL

Councillors, I hereby summon you to attend the Meeting of WIXAMS PARISH COUNCIL on Monday, 20th September 2021 commencing at 7.30pm at **Wixams Retirement Village Main Hall** to consider the following items of business.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WELCOME!

Robbin Brough, Clerk to the Council
15th September 2021

AGENDA

1 **Apologies for Absence**

2 **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda**

3 **Public Open Session** [Standing Orders will now be suspended at the discretion of the Chairman]

- Members of the public
- Presentation from Present Made who are sharing a vision for Thickthorn Farm, a new development in Houghton Conquest parish adjacent to the south edge of Wixams Village 3.

During the Public Open Session: Members of the public should note that the council is only allowed to take decisions on topics that are publicised on the agenda; items not on the agenda can be carried forward for a response at a later date. Any questions not presented to the council far enough in advance of the meeting may be noted and responded to at a later time.

After the Public Open Session: Members of the public are asked to respect the fact that this is a meeting to conduct council business and interruptions during the remainder of the meeting are not permitted.

4 **Coooption**

To agree whether to coopt to fill the Casual Vacancy. Two candidates wish to be considered.

5 **To confirm the minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 16th August 2021**

6 **Clerk's report on actions**

1. **New Speed Indication Device for Village 2:** Barratt Homes have refused permission for two sites in Village 2 requested for a column for a new Speed Indication Device. BBC Highways have approved the third site on Southern Cross (Village 2 end). Clerk needs to know whether to proceed with just the one site.
2. **Crossing attendant:** Working with BBC to make a plan for recruitment – chasing has not resulted in the required information yet, partly due to annual leave for the borough contacts.
3. **Youth Group:** One parishioner has shown interest in running a group.
4. **More benches:** Cllr Ali wished to put forward a location for a new bench, but no other suggestions have been received from the public.

7 **Correspondence (requiring council attention):**

- *Parishioner emailed again opposing parking restrictions being added to Green Lane unless an alternative parking area is created. Shared with councillors.*
- *Parishioner emailed again requesting assistance with the cancelling of a school transport service to Wootton Upper School and Kimberly College. Cllr Coombes has already contacted BBC Education department and Wootton Upper School to resolve and is escalating to our MP. WPC has no direct powers or responsibilities for Education/Transport.*
- *Emailed received with an objection to 21/02147/FUL 18 Swan Road. Email shared with councillors.*
- *Parishioner emailed requesting more consideration be given for the disabled when designing playgrounds. Email to be shared with councillors – Clerk is checking with BBC Planning if this level of detail is included in plan that the parish council can comment on.*

8 **To receive the Crime Statistics report**

Crime report issued to council prior to the meeting.

9 **Green Lane parking restrictions (Near Eagle Mews)**

To consider the proposal from BBC Highways for double yellow lines on Green Lane in the area of Ladybird Way and Eagle Mews) to resolve the traffic bottleneck on Green Lane caused by parked vehicles on the S-bend.

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10 Brooklands Avenue & Green Lane parking restrictions

To consider the proposal from BBC Highways for double yellow lines on Brooklands Avenue (between School Lane and Bittern Lane) and on Green Lane (between Brooklands Avenue and Dove Lane).

11 Bedford Road (WRV) HGV parking restrictions

To consider an amended proposal from BBC Highways to resolve the issue of HGVs parking overnight outside the Wixams Retirement Village (WPC £600, Tim Hill Ward Fund: £600). Proposal contains single yellow lines with a "No waiting 6pm to 6am" restriction.

12 Councillors' Reports including:

- Report from Borough Councillor Coombes (Wilshamstead)
- Report from Borough Councillor Tim Hill (Wixams Retirement Village)

Shared with councillors and added to the parish council website.

- Report from Planning Committee: Planning meeting

APPLICATION NO: 21/02147/FUL Full Planning Application PROPOSAL: First floor side extension

LOCATION : 18 Swan Road Wixams Bedford Bedfordshire MK42 6BW

APPLICATION NO: 21/02306/FUL Full Planning Application PROPOSAL: Single storey rear extension

LOCATION : 5 Falcon Field Wixams Bedford Bedfordshire MK42 6DT

APPLICATION NO: 21/02330/REM Approval of Reserved Matters Application PROPOSAL: Reserved Matters application for Strategic Landscaping Works for the Northern Section of Greenway C pursuant to Outline planning permission 11/01380/M73 LOCATION : Land At Greenway C South Of Fisherswood Road Wixams Bedfordshire

To decide who will represent WPC at 4.30pm Wednesday 22nd September at borough hall Council Chambers for a planning meeting with Henry Vann (Portfolio Holder for Town Centre & Planning at BBC).

- Report from Cllr Ali re: Allotments
- Report from Grants committee: No Grants Meeting
- Update from MasterPlan Working Group
- Update from Green Spaces Committee
- Update from Events Committee

To approve the installation of a Christmas tree pit (with electrics) at the open space by Lakeview Village Hall (BBC Ownership).

13 Finance

- To approve the following payments:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Payee/payer</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Receipt</u>	<u>Payment</u>
31/08/2021	Multiple	BACS	Staff Costs August		1,845.70
31/08/2021	Lakeview Village Hall	BACS	Flooring grant		2,000.00
02/09/2021	Anglian Water	DD	Water at Allotments		46.00
13/09/2021	BBC	BACS	2nd Half Precept	31,334.00	
20/09/2021	Commuity Heartbeat	BACS	Defibrillator Battery replacement		282.00
20/09/2021	Mazars	BACS	External Audit fees 2020/21		360.00
20/09/2021	WRV	BACS	Room Hire - August meeting		51.75
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- To acknowledge the external audit conclusion from Mazars that showed no minor or major issues. Result files shared with councillors.

14 Any other business for future agendas (No actions can be taken on items not on the agenda)

15 Date of the next meeting: 18th October 2021 – Wixams Retirement Village.