

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WROXALL PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE METHODIST CHURCH HALL ON MONDAY 14 DECEMBER 2009 AT 19.00**

PRESENT: Cllr A. Gallop (Chairman)  
M. Clayton, H. Cole, S. Underwood  
IN ATTENDANCE: M. Taplin, Clerk, Cllr R. Downer (IoW Council),  
Five members of the public.  
ABSENT: Cllr P. Court

QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR None

70/09-10 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllr Davison, Cllr Langdon, Cllr Rickards

71/09-10 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None

72/09-10 TO CONFIRM AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 9 NOVEMBER 2009  
**RESOLVED** To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 9 November as a true and accurate record. The Chairman signed the minutes.

73/09-10 MATTERS ARISING NOT REQUIRING A RESOLUTION

- (i) Toilets winter closure  
The Clerk had received a response from IoWC.
- (ii) Bollards to protect daffodil planting, St Johns Rd  
Cllr Downer reported the IoW Council had agreed to put in seven wooden posts to protect the area from vehicles, leaving the Parish Council to sow grass and replant with bulbs.
- (iii) Village Welcome Signs  
The Clerk now had a quotation of £435 per sign from A J Wells of Newport.
- (iv) Vehicle+trailer in lay-by near Donkey Sanctuary  
The Chairman's leads had failed to come up with any further clues to ownership of the land. It was suggested the PC approach IoWC to explore options for it becoming Parish land.
- (v) Bridgfields Estate, Planning Enforcement  
The Parish Council's complaint had been acknowledged and an officer had visited the site to explain to the owners that they needed to submit a planning application to regularise their activities.

74/09-10

TO DISCUSS THE POSITION OF THE WROXALL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

The Chair reported meeting the Trustees and Committee of the Association, when a serious financial situation was revealed. There was some confusion due to the Treasurer resigning abruptly and consequent difficulty of getting the Bank to deal with those now trying to run the Association. It was agreed that the Chairman of the Association would supply the Chairman of the Parish Council with up-to-date figures, and a forecast, in advance of the Parish Council meeting on 11 January, when the matter of any grant aid could be discussed.

75/09-10

TO APPROVE PROVISION OF EXTRA STREET LIGHT IN YARBOROUGH RD

The Clerk had followed up the issue of the pedestrian accident and Street Lighting had agreed to the provision of an extra light, by the electricity sub station if the Parish Council requested this. It was **RESOLVED** to request the extra street light in Yarborough Rd be provided.

76/09-10

TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING

**P1791/09** Winstone Farm **RESOLVED** No objection

**P1810/09** 1 Sandpit Cottages **RESOLVED** No objection to the conversion to holiday accommodation, but concern to be expressed about access.

**P00444/09** Ventnor Golf Club The Clerk gave details of the Environmental Report now submitted which also mentioned an offer of £3000/year in grants to sports projects in Ventnor and Wroxall. After discussion the Council **RESOLVED** to maintain its objection previously submitted.

The Clerk reported Application decisions received.

77/09-10

TO CONSIDER THE BUDGET FOR 2010-11 AND RESOLVE THE PRECEPT

The Clerk presented a spreadsheet and explained the relevant financial figures. It was agreed that the proposed budget was realistic and **RESOLVED** that the Precept be set at £9850 for 2010-11.

78/09-10

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORISE PAYMENTS

**RESOLVED** To approve payments of the following amounts:

Cheque No	Payee	Amount	Details
<b>1042</b>	M R Taplin	£ 31.03	Clerk's expenses 11/09
<b>1043</b>	Apple Office	£ 233.81	Printer Supplies
<b>1044</b>	Westridge Skip Hire	£ 74.75	Skip Hire(Allotments)
<b>1045</b>	Isle of Wight Council	£ 238.67	Clerk's Salary November
<b>1046</b>	Groundsell Contracting Ltd	£ 402.50	Tree planting (Million Blooms)
<b>1047</b>	Wroxall Methodist Church	£ 39.00	Hall Hire

79/09-0

CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk read the list of correspondence received. It was agreed to consider the quotations for a new notice board at the next meeting.

80/09-10

ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS (Not requiring a resolution)

- (a) Cllr. Cole said he had received adverse comments about the 'scrap yard' on Ventnor Rd. Unfortunately Planning was not being breached.
- (b) Cllr Underwood said the allotments were nearly filled and asked about water supply at the allotments and the Chairman explained the consequences of providing a supply. The Grove Rd allotments were owned by IoWC, but might be passed to the Parish Council in future.
- (c) Cllr Clayton request that the Parish Council write to BT seeking improvement of the internet connection speed in the village..
- (d) Cllr Gallop said the southbound bus stop in St John's Rd near Appuldurcombe Lane was overgrown and waiting passengers could not see the approaching bus. Cllr Underwood said this was a long-standing problem; a mirror was suggested if cutting back growth did not work. The Dog Bin at the junction of Appuldurcombe Lane/Redhill Lane was Not being emptied. The Christmas+New Year rubbish collection Arrangements were tabled. The IWALC affiliation fee for 2010/11 would be £227.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 20.48

QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR      Why were the Council opposing wind farms? It was explained that the applicants had not taken the trouble to present their proposals or suggestions to the Council, which had therefore reached a decision based on information presented to the meetings when the application was considered.

**NEXT MEETING: Monday 11 January, 19.00 Methodist Church Hall**