

WIXOE PARISH MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on the 06th October 2015

1. Apologies for absence: Mr Mrs David Starr, Mrs Warwick and Mrs Pauline Broad.
2. Minutes of last meeting. Held on the 23rd April 2015. APPROVED.
3. Matters arising from the minutes:

Flood signs – Mr Gilchrist and Mr Howlett agreed to put signs out when the river was in flood.

Potholes – Complaints were made about the potholes on the Essex side of the ford. Chairman David Smith told the meeting that numerous calls had been made to Essex highways, only to be told that the problem was a long way down their list of priorities. Councillor Mary Evans offered to find out who the responsible Essex Councillor for the area that could help.

Burglaries – Another had recently occurred at Rutherford Lodge, again while the property was unoccupied.

4. Chairman's Report:
Chairman David Smith welcomed everyone attending the meeting.
Fly tipping – for the moment there has been less fly tipping in the village, which is good news.

5. Treasurer's Report:

Current Account	£1293.20
Savings Account	£249.68

Contribution to Wixoe PCC of £440.00 yet to be paid.
Leaving C £1100 in funds when paid. Therefore we will have to apply for a precept next time round.
Annual return APPROVED by meeting.

6. Secretary' Report.
We are receiving a strong flow of local government information, none of which is relevant to this meeting.
7. Councillor Mary Evans Report Attached: not emailed subsequently as requested by the Secretary.
Also St Edmundsbury looking to charge £40.00 FOR BROWN BIN EMPTYING.
8. Councillor Jeremy Farthings Report ; Also brought up the proposed brown bin charge which the Chairman regarded as a backward step because of the fly tipping that ensue from this decision.

The devolution between Forest Heath and St Edmundsbury councils into 'West Suffolk' was steadily taking place as a cost cutting exercise.

Jeremy also said he was delighted to be at the Wixoe meeting for the first time,

9. Richard Jenkins – Neighbourhood Watch. Be sure and lock up when away from home.
101 was to slow reacting to calls. Mary Evans to take up.

Bank scams - do not give out personal details. As these scams are getting very realistic.

10. AOB
G Broad – Is there a mechanism to influence local services?
Brown bin discussion
Richard Jenkins thanked for arranging the pumping station visit.
Meeting closed at 7.45pm