

WICKEN PARISH COUNCIL Meeting 2nd September 7.30pm 2009.

Present: Mr. P Ivens (Chairman), Mrs. L. Clark (Vice Chairman), Mr. R. Edmondson, Mr. R. Clapham, Mrs. C. Franklin, Mr. J. Maloney.

1. Apologies for Absence.

Cllr. A. Walker, Mr. J. Williams, Cllr. D. Aaronson.

2. Minutes of previous meeting 1st July 2009.

Were agreed to be an accurate record of the meeting.

3. Items raised by members of the Public.

No matters were raised.

4. Matters Arising.

There were no matters Arising.

5. Planning.

Clerk circulated plans for a new Sports Hall at Akeley Wood Junior School. All agreed plans looked good.

6. Matters of Repair & Administration.

- The roads are still not to an acceptable standard and the Council will ask Mr. J. Williams to contact South Northants to discuss this matter further.
- It is noted that the Parish Council did not give South Northants Council permission to change the right of way on Deanshanger Road and would like a sign put up to warn drivers of this upon entering the village. The Parish Council believe that it has made the drivers faster upon entering the village and would be keen to hear resident's thoughts. The Parish Council will review this for six months and then may approach South Northants with regards to a sign, asking for traffic to give way to right hand side on turn into St. Johns Lane.
- The Chestnut trees on The Green are now all tidied up by South Northants Council.
- With regards to a 'Landmark' sign in the village the Clerk is still awaiting feedback.
- With regards to the pay phone Clerk has been in touch with Brian Lloyd and the 'Adopt a Kiosk' fee will be paid by the Parish Council in agreement that the Conservation Society will do the upkeep of it. Clerk to liaise with Brian Lloyd.
- It has been noted that there are overgrown hedges on the Leckhampstead Road. Clerk to contact residents concerned.

7. Finance

- A VAT form has now been received and Clerk will complete and send off for the last two years worth of VAT that is due back.
- It was noted that the Precept should come through to the Council's bank account in September 09.

8. Any other Business.

- Merchant Venturers have put in planning permission for 70 houses on the Folly Road and also 5 houses near the Dove House in Deanshanger.
- Deanshanger have to increase their housing stock by 110%.

Meeting closed at 8.05pm.

Next meeting – Weds, 4th November at 7.30pm.

Signed _____ **Dated** _____
Chairman.