

## GREAT WAKERING PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2008, in the Parish Council Offices, Little Wakering Hall Lane.

Present: Councillor T. Goodwin, Chairman,  
Councillors K. Perring, B. Wilkins, H. Wilson, B. Wright.

65/52 To receive the Chairman's opening remarks.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

66/52 To receive apologies for absence.

Apologies received from Councillors A. Awin, work, V. Brandon, illness, L. Rodger, family commitment, A. Porter (received by Email), illness, carried unanimously

67/52 To receive Declarations of Interest.

Councillor Wilson declared an interest; member and allotment holder, in items 9(a) & 11. Councillor Wright declared an interest in 9(a) sponsor.

68/52 To receive presentation from Michelle Giles Children Centre Manager and Kim Hartley support Worker in respect of Seashells Children's Centre.

Michelle Giles informed the Council of the aims and working of the centre and they took questions from Councillors and parishioners. The Chairman thanked them for the presentation.

69/52 The meeting will stand adjourned to permit parishioners of Great Wakering to address the Council.

A parishioner addressed the Council.

70/52 The Council invites the County Councillor and the District Councillors for the area to report any matters of interest.

Apology received from County Councillor Pearson attending another meeting. District Councillors Seagers and Wilkins reported on District Council matters.

71/52 To receive, consider, approve and sign the minutes of the Full Council meeting held the 1<sup>st</sup> October 2008.

Councillor Wilkins Proposed the minutes be accepted, seconded by Councillor Perring carried unanimously.

72/52 To receive reports from members representing the Council on outside bodies and to receive reports on seminars and conferences attended.

Councillor Perring reported on the Great Wakering Community Association meeting and the Remuneration Panel meeting that she had just come from. Clerk reported on the CIF funding panel meeting that he attended.

73/52 To approve a) the signing of cheques b) to receive a Financial Statement c) request for donation, all documents already circulated.

Chairman Proposed that the cheque list, financial statement are accepted, carried unanimously.

a) Donation request from Great Wakering Garden and Allotment Society carried forward to next meeting.

74/52 To consider Correspondence received and circulated.

a) Rochford District Council's letter re Rochford Heritage Guide. Noted

75/52 To update on the project for the Youth Facility.

Chairman Proposed that a donation of £2,500 be given towards the £7080 required for the running of the additional night for the Teen Café project carried unanimously.

76/52 To discuss the maintenance of the village Sign.

Chairman Proposed a vote of thanks to Councillor Wilson and her husband for taking such good care of the area around the village sign carried unanimously. Councillor Wilson Proposed that more bark is spread around the area, (cost £100) and fencing placed around to stop bark and soil falling down slope, seconded by Councillor Goodwin carried 4 for 1 abstention.

77/52 To update on the Allotments/GWRFC.

Councillor Wright reported on the meeting that he, Councillor Brandon and Clerk held with the Football Club re the clearing work on the allotments.

78/52 To discuss Footpath Barling Road.

Councillors Goodwin and Wright to attend a meeting, Clerk to arrange, with Essex Highways to discuss scheme.

County Councillor Pearson Joined the Meeting and Chairman asked him to update the Council on County matters which he did.

79/52 To discuss a Village Heritage Centre.

Councillor Wilson presented the Council with the idea of a heritage centre in the village, say the old school. Councillor Wilson stated that grants could be available for the scheme and would report back to next council with more details.

80/52 To receive External Auditors Report.

Chairman Proposed Acceptance of the External Auditors report carried unanimously.

81/52 At the Chairman's discretion to exchange information during any other business.

Councillor Perring reported that the broken street light in New Road had been replaced but not yet working.

Councillor Wilson requested that Councillors did not speak with the public or give them papers whilst meetings are in session and that Councillors speak through the Chairman as per standing orders.

Chairman suspended meeting and asked Councillors to observe a minutes silence in respect of ex Councillor Stan Alden who recently died.

Councillor Perring left meeting

82/52 To record NALC's Salary Agreement for 2008/2009.

Agreement recorded.

Chairman thanked everyone for attending the meeting.