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Hello, I hope you are all keeping safe and well.

July has been a busy month with both the Estates Committee and an extra-ordinary meeting and the usual parish council meeting at the end of the month. You can find draft minutes of our [meetings](#) here.

We also held our regular volunteer morning on 1st July, followed by two litter picks, kindly organised and led by Cllrs Andrea and Kevin Grimes (Clopton Green) and Mary Jolland (Wickhambrook Centre). Thanks also go out to the MSC and Barbara Merritt for refreshments afterwards. Our Wombles collected 16 bags of rubbish by the hall for collection, a chair, cone base, some bits of wood and metal and a sign.

Did you know that we're looking to recruit to the following roles:

- Litter picking (one morning, three or four times a year)
- Cemetery tidy mornings (monthly, 1st Wednesday morning - March to November)
- Community Speedwatch (we now have a core group, and new members are always welcome!)
- Become a councillor—we currently have a vacancy for three councillors

You can do as little or as much as you like—we value every contribution, and every little bit helps us help our community!

Our next meetings will be:

- Estates Committee – 3rd September; and
- Parish Council – 24th September

Both held in the Pavilion, Wickhambrook Memorial Social Centre. If there is anything you would like the parish council to consider at a future meeting, [please do get in touch with me](#)

I've just received this information through on behalf of Mike Pursehouse, Director (Housing, Communities and Regulatory) at West Suffolk Council.

You will have seen in the news that Barnham camp, the ex-satellite station to RAF Honington, is being considered as an asylum accommodation site. West Suffolk Council held an extraordinary Council meeting on 1 July 2026 to pass a motion to state clearly that we feel the site is the wrong place for asylum accommodation. We have also submitted evidence on the fact the site sits within the Breckland Special Protection area and Special Area of Conservation regulations. We are waiting to hear a response.

I wanted to reach out as your Council may receive requests for information or concerns from Councillors, or your residents and so please see a link to a page on our website which we will keep updated with information and you can signpost people to. <https://www.westsuffolk.gov.uk/barnham-raf-camp>.

Do feel free to forward this message on to neighbours, friends and family in the parish and ask them to get in touch with me at parishclerk@wickhambrook.org.uk if they would like to be included in our e-newsletter mailing list!

Wishing you all the best, keep safe and well

Hilary Workman
Clerk for Wickhambrook Parish Council