

Chair's Report 21 September 2026

Welcome back after your Summer break which I hope you all enjoyed.

Road Show.

I attended the Community Road show with coffee, cake etc did not indulge in the cake on offer, where I collected leaflets and stickers from Neighbourhood watch representatives Tony and Paul along with road signs to put up on the roads leading into Wickham Market so that visitors were aware.

The other stalls were very informative showing what help was available if you should require help at any time.

Travel Routes.

We are still looking into Active Travel routes between Wickham Market and Campsea Ashe (Wickham Market railway station) that could feasibly accommodate cycling and walking etc., we are currently looking into two routes.

Police Crime Data.

Received from PC Claire Cox.

Crime data from last meeting 17/07/2026 – 13/09/2026

Total calls logged into control room 151

- Highway disruption/obstruction Wickham Market A12 – x6 calls
- Abnormal Loads – x133 calls
- Road related matters Wickham Market A12 – x10 calls
- Administration - x1 call
- Concern for safety x1 call

Recorded investigations from 17/07/2026 to 13/09/2026

Total 39 investigations recorded

- X 26 Miscellaneous
- X 2 Arson
- X 9 Criminal Damage/ ASB
- X 2 Theft from motor vehicle/ dwelling

PC Claire Cox is now on leave until 24th September.

Community Police.

Joined a meeting to discuss crime in Wickham Market with PC Claire Cox and Sam Kenward, the main concerns are as before **Anti-Social Behaviour** and how to deter this

from happening. The formation of the Neighbourhood Watch could help as a deterrent. Once more if you see anything untoward happening report it via 101 or 999 in an emergency. One thing that came from this meeting via the police is that Wickham Market is no worse than any other parish.

Seasonal Market.

Congratulations to all those involved in a successful market, once more it seemed to be well attended, the village hall modernisation committee set up a display showing what we could expect to take place in the coming year, which encouraged interest from visitors to the market.

Also on display was the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme set up recently in Wickham Market with residents showing interest in becoming members, collecting literature and stickers, being made aware of how to become members as shown in this month's Wickham Market Parish News.

Regards to all

Cll Ivor French