

# Reported crime

**There were 4 crimes reported in Wixams in May 2015** (1 of which was a domestic related crime and so is not detailed). This is compared to 7 crimes in May 2014:

**Criminal Damage - To Vehicles**  
9 May, 3-5pm, Nightingale Court  
**Harassment**  
14 May, Nightingale Court

**Criminal Damage - To Vehicles**  
27 May, 22:15 - 05:30, Nightingale Court  
2 offside tyres of a vehicle had been slashed when parked up in the road.

**There was 1 call regarding anti-social behaviour** in Wixams in May 2015. This is compared to 7 for the Wilstead and Wixams area in May 2014.

**There were 2 detected crimes in Wixams in May 2015**  
Interfering With A Motor Vehicle 9/12/14 - charged  
Assault With Injury 12/4/15 - charged

The aim of Neighbourhood Watch (WNW) is to help develop safer local communities and improve the quality of life. Members of WNW deliver the Wixams News in Wixams.

### 999 - Emergency

where there is a risk of:

- personal injury
- loss of life
- crime in action

### 101 - Call Handling

- Crime in action where there is not a risk to personal injury
- Suspicious incidents

Put this number on your mobile



For further information on **Wixams Neighbourhood Watch**. See [www.wixams.org.uk/wnw](http://www.wixams.org.uk/wnw), facebook, or email Alan at [wnw@wixams.org.uk](mailto:wnw@wixams.org.uk)

**Local Policing Teams** - [www.police.uk](http://www.police.uk)

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# Wixams News

This is the first edition of Wixams News produced by Wixams Neighbourhood Watch (WNW)! We want to thank our advertisers as well as Wixams Parish Council, Linda Whitfield and BPHA for their support.

Since 2010 WNW has delivered the monthly Wilstead Parish Newsletter to homes in Wixams. As we are now the new Wixams Parish, the Wilstead Newsletter will no longer be delivered in Wixams. We want to say a big thank-you to Wilstead for a brilliant newsletter. In order to deliver NW information on a monthly basis the WNW decided to launch this publication. The aim of Wixams News is to help develop a safer local community and improve the quality of life. Any comments are welcome.

Thanks Alan



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The next Wixams News will be published on Wednesday 15th July

## Wixams Parish Council cont

**Recruitment of a Parish Clerk** – the Council has interim support in place, so at the meeting agreed to form a Working Group to immediately start a recruitment process for a Parish Clerk.

**Supporting the new Wixams publication** – the Council agreed to provide financial support for this new publication, as a good way to engage with all Wixams residents on a regular basis.

**Consideration of planning applications** – the Council is a statutory consultee for all planning applications within the parish, so the Council reviewed and made comments on current applications. A significant application that the Council will be meeting with Borough Council Officers about to talk through in greater detail is the planning application to the area known as the Wixams northern expansion area (land by the Elstow Storage Depot). This site had previously been allocated as a housing site, the current application is that this area becomes a site for distribution and warehouses. Following the Council's meeting with Borough Officers the Council will be submitting comments to the Borough Council on the application.

**Public access to planning application plans** – Councillors agreed that at 7pm, ahead of the start time of a Council meeting, there will be 30 minutes for Councillors and any members of the public to come and view the paper plans for any applications that will be discussed at the Parish Council meeting.

**Allotment provision** – the Council have set up a Working Group to meet with the Allotment Society to discuss a way forward to accessing the allotments as soon as practically possible.

**Open Spaces in Wixams** – the Council will be meeting with the appropriate Borough Officer to discuss the open spaces and how these facilities can be used for the benefit of the community.

**School provision in Wixams** – following on from the Wixams Community Forum where the Mayor had agreed to organise a meeting for residents on this topic, the Interim Clerk is trying to liaise with the relevant Borough Officer to set up an informative meeting on this very important subject.

## HOW DO I CONTACT THE WIXAMS PARISH COUNCIL

The Wilshamstead Parish Clerk, Lizzie Barnicoat, who has also been the Wixams Community Forum Secretary has been asked by the Borough Council to act as the Interim Clerk in the first instance until a point where the new Parish Council has undergone a recruitment process. Please note that Lizzie can be contacted on (01234) 841835 or at [lizzie\\_barnicoat@hotmail.com](mailto:lizzie_barnicoat@hotmail.com)

## FUTURE MEETING DATES

The Council agreed these to be Monday 15th June, Monday 13th July and Monday 10th August all at 7.30pm, to be held in the Lakeview Village Hall, the agenda will be posted at least three working days prior to the meeting on the noticeboard outside the Village Hall.

Lizzie Barnicoat  
Interim Parish Clerk to the Parish Council