



## WORLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Worlingham Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at 7.30pm via zoom.

*This meeting was held by zoom as per the regulations provided in the Coronavirus 2020 legislation.*

*Present; Cllrs; W Summerfield (Chair), E Hubbard, J Mather, S Mather, J Raybould, S Robbins.*

*Also, Present - Mrs L Beevor parish clerk and ESC and SCC ward councillors*

#### **Minutes**

- 1 a) *To receive any apologies for absence.*

Apologies were received from Cllr S Holman

- b) *To receive any Declarations of Personal interest regarding the agenda.*

Nil

- c) *To receive any Declaration of Prejudicial Interest regarding the agenda*

Nil

- d) *To receive any Requests for Dispensation on matters relating to the agenda*

Nil

- 2 *To approve and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held March 2021.*

It was agreed by all to approve the minutes of March 2021.

3. *To receive report from SCC and ESC ward councillor*

The ESC and SCC reports had been circulated.

The ward councillors reminded members that they would contribute towards a VAR from their locality grant. for Garden Lane If this does go forward.

Beccles TC re waste site – Both Ward Cllrs would support the re-establishment of the waste site by Morrisons. roundabout– but there is an existing lease in place to a third party.

The Ward Cllrs advised that they had met with Inspector Aitken re community issues locally including instances. of anti-social behaviour. The meetings will continue on a monthly basis. The Kestrel team might also be brought in to help, and there may be funding for an additional team. The police presence has been increased in Beccles and although there is some anti-social behaviour, the crime levels are still low.

The police have advised that 999 should be called if people are seeing something happen.

Action – community police PCSO Amy Yeldham to be asked to do an article for the Grapevine.

Questions to SCC Ward Cllr –

Re Suffolk Inclusive growth fund - Answer - there is nothing for Beccles at present.

Re VAS camera possible location – could these be at Garden Lane/ Kempton Cross etc? Answer – parish council to put together a wish list of locations.

Re College Lane for Quiet Lane status – answer –see Quiet Lane website for al details. Consider speed limit after the SCC elections.

Members of the public any matters on items on the agenda.

Nil

4. Chairman's Report including;

Covid community group – a wash up meeting will be held. The volunteers will be emailed to see if they wish to continue volunteering in any way.

Community Partnership – additional funding is available- the next round of grants is now open.

Litter Picks – Next dates – 19<sup>th</sup> March 2021/ 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2021 / 21<sup>st</sup> May 2021/ 18<sup>th</sup> June 2021

The new cart is very good – Cllr Kersey to be asked to get 1 more. Discussion about rubbish from V C COOKE – they do have their own people out picking rubbish.

Rubbish in ditches becomes the responsibility of the landowner.

Annual parish meeting – representative will come along to speak about coffee caravan.

Meetings in person – the clerk advised that under the present regulations, the ability to meet remotely finishes on 7<sup>th</sup> May - and therefore council will need to meet in person unless the regulations are amended by central government. Clerk has approached the school and advised them of the meeting dates. Discussion regarding places to meet.

Councillor vacancy – clerk advised that word of mouth is always the best way to encourage new councillors.

Tommy – location - Cllr Summerfield and Cllr S Mather will consider the green verge opposite the garage where the noticeboard and map are.

Revarnishing of village signs – this has been requested and should be carried out over next 2 months.

Snowdrops by village sign – a resident has asked if they could plant some – agreed by all.

5. Planning

*a) Applications received prior to the meeting*

Dc/21/1319/ ful – 9 Pine tree Close – no objections

DC/21/1242/ ful – 43 Cedar Drive – members asked for clarification about the apparent effect on off street parking and considered that the fence that is being proposed would be out of keeping and that they would prefer a wall to be reinstated.

DC/21/1108/FUL – 57 Lowestoft Road – no objection

*b) ESC Decisions received; see website. 10 The Walnuts approved*

*c) Any other planning matters – Nil*

6. Clerks and councillors' reports and updates including correspondence received.
- Neighbourhood Plan update – Cllr Summerfield advised that Reg 14 consultation went live on 1<sup>ST</sup> April. –The Plan consists of 16 policies and 70 pages of text. A5 leaflets have been delivered to all properties. 15 hard copies ordered for parishioners to look at. Zoom meetings have been offered to enable residents to ask questions as part of the consultation. Further publicity will take place during the consultation period. Posters/ banners etc will be organised by the N Plan group – posters to go on notice boards / and in bus shelters. Publicity will be sent to the media/ Grapevine etc.
  - Divestment of play areas – expected to take place 14<sup>th</sup> April 2021.
  - New village sign – Cllr Hubbard has contacted PCE and all councillors had been asked to comment on the suggested location. This was agreed by all. Contact to be made with SCC to see what permissions will be required.
  - Remote meeting legislation – await confirmation from school as to when bookings might be starting. Other venues may need to be researched. Scheme of delegation will be required if in person meetings are not taken up after 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021 – although a meeting will be required to sign off accounts.
  - A146 Barnby – Carlton Colville – SCC is seeking funding for this scheme. Members advised that they would prefer concentration to be given to a footpath, cycle lane and junction improvements rather than a straightening of the road.
  - ESC – conservation cuts – maps are awaited from NORSE in order to assess where these actual areas are in Worlingham.

A member asked about Norse strimming – is this taking place?

7. Works in village

See spreadsheet for updates.

8. Finance Matters including; Finance Matters including;

a) *Authorisation of cheques for payment.*

A full financial summary of the Council balances, and the cheques for payment, was provided for councillors as attached to the main copy of the minutes and cheques as detailed in the Receipts and Payments. These were read out to the Council meeting. **It was RESOLVED by all that the payments as detailed could be made.**

b) *Donation requests* – Nil

c) *Bank mandate* – new signatories have been added. All councillors who have left will be removed from any mandate held by the bank.

9. Other matters

- Salc training and webinars – members were advised that there are many training webinars available on the SALC website. Cllrs J and S Mather are registered for online councillor training.
- Salc Area Forum – Cllr Robbins will attend.
- Litter pick 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2021 – venue to be selected nearer to the time.

10. Date of next meeting.

Next council meeting – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2021 at 7.30pm by Zoom.