



## WORLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

### **Minutes of the Worlingham Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at 6.30pm at Worlingham Primary School**

*Present; Cllrs; W Summerfield (Chair), D Anderson, Cllr Hubbard, L Kersey, J Mather*

*Also, Present - Mrs L Beevor parish clerk. Ward Cllr Plummer arrived at 7pm. 4 members of the public.*

#### **Minutes**

- 1 a) *To receive any apologies for absence.* Apologies from Cllr S Holman, Cllr S Mather, Cllr Robbins  
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  
e) *To remind councillors to update the Register of Interests* online. Noted
- 2 To approve and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held April, May, June 2022  
It was AGREED by all to approve the minutes.
3. Chairman's Report including.  
ESC Cil strategy – consultation to 5<sup>th</sup> August. Cllr Summerfield advised that the new development for Beccles/ Worlingham garden village has been allocated £30 psm CIL whereas the London Road development has been allocated at £80 psm. See consultation for full details.  
Beccles TC has spoken about asking David Locke Assoc to do more work to try and get this sum increased and are now considering a budget and way forward.  
After consideration it was AGREED by all to set aside a budget of £4k for David Locke Assoc to contest the CIL calculation.  
  
East Suffolk Council Local Housing Consultation – Mutford P C have suggested that parishes liase over a joint response and it was agreed by all that this would be an appropriate way forward.  
  
Potential Bio-digester – Cllr Summerfield advised that no information has been received about when a planning application might be due, so it is important that people keep reporting issues they have with the present site regarding smells/ traffic etc. This to be mentioned again in Grapevine.  
Once a planning application comes forward the parish council will work with other local councils on a response.  
  
Let's Rock ticket allocation – volunteer councillors to be nominated to take volunteer residents with them i.e. those that assist with litter picking, fete, jubilee event etc.

Town Bus update – Cllr Anderson advised that the service is still losing money and that during the summer the school service will not be operating to offset it. Town service to be promoted through Grapevine.

Opportunity for clearance of road/ pavement edges – Lowestoft Road/ Rectory Lane/ Garden Lane to be put forward as well as the pathway along Woodfield Park

ESC Community Governance Review – no Worlingham changes taken forward

Broads Authority – need to create a working relationship. Various contacts have not responded to any contact that the parish council has made. Natalie Beale has been assisting the N plan group and it was suggested that contact be made with her initially to try and develop an ongoing working relationship.

Newsletter deliveries – newsletter to be distributed by Cllrs once received.

SCC Policy on weeds in gutters / edge of pathways – there has been no response to the request for an update on SCC policy for dealing with this matter. Ward Cllr Plummer and the parish clerk to chase.

*Meeting adjourned for public participation.*

4. *During each meeting the council will adjourn for a period of 10 minutes for public questions. During this time, residents can put questions to the Chairman regarding matters on the agenda. Where possible, the Chairman will respond but the matter may have to be deferred and placed on a later month's agenda for discussion.*

- a) *To receive a report from ESC and SCC ward councillors - reports already circulated*

Both the SCC and ESC Ward reports had been circulated.

Ward Cllr Plummer arrived at 7pm.

Cllr Summerfield updated the ward Cllr about the CIL for the garden village and the action that WPC and BTC are taking.

- b) *To receive comments from any members of the public on matters on the agenda.*

Members of the public spoke about concerns on College Lane/ Sandpit Lane re speeding and those that use it as a racetrack.

There are 2 issues 1) signage, 2) speeding and enforcement

A member of the public advised that there were a number of vehicles coming through the area at speed especially at night.

Cllr Summerfield explained the background to the 'access only' on Sandpit Lane and explained the policy and rationale for the signs. WS asked that all incidents be reported to the police so that they can keep a log. Discussion about putting a physical blockage along Sandpit Lane – and the reasons why this is not possible. Farmer needs access and any physical blockage would cause issues for policing the area.

It was suggested that the Kestrel Team could be asked to patrol the area. A member of the public asked whether a camera could be put up on Manor Close/ Sandpit Lane area so that vehicles could be monitored. Police to be asked. Discussion about whether the speed limit could be reduced. County Highways to be asked to ensure that all signage is correct and compliant throughout Sandpit Lane and College Lane and so that the police can enforce whenever needed.

A member of the public spoke about the success of the Jubilee fete and suggested that perhaps an open-air cinema could be held

A member of the public suggested that a QR code system could be introduced around the play areas whereby people could report any damage etc.

*Meeting reopened.*

5. **Planning**

a) *applications received prior to the meeting including;*

DC/22/2131/ful – garage being remodelled to a bedroom and storage – see N plan re offstreet parking spaces – but otherwise no objections.

b) *ESC Decisions received; see website.*

DC/22/1393/OUT – has been withdrawn re Old Rectory

c) *Any other planning matters*

*N Plan Reg 16 - update on consultation and appointment of examiner and consider WPC representation on REG 16 consultation as previously circulated.* It has been agreed to continue with the Reg 16 Referendum which should be this year.

6. **Clerks and councillors report and updates including correspondence received.**

- *College Lane / Sandpit Lane – as above*
- *Litter Picking – 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month – all at 1.30pm – to meet by side of Primary School*
- *Seats for play areas;*
  - Bluebell Way – 2
  - Woodfield Park -2 (including 1 for John Raybould with a plaque)
  - Park Drive – 2
  - Werels Loke – 2 – Cllr Anderson to check how many are there at present
- *SALC AGM 20<sup>th</sup> July – Cllr Summerfield will attend.*
- *SALC Area Forum – Cllr Summerfield attended the online meeting – most discussions were regarding planning matters*
- *Community Partnership – Cllr Kersey attended.*

7. **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

Other matters.

Cllr Hubbard mentioned a SCC response re College Lane re assessing what needs to happen next. Beccles Surgery – there are now issues with the number of online forms that are accepted daily – it was suggested that the council writes to the MP to ask how the system can be improved for the residents of Worlingham and for elderly patients who cannot fill in things online.

9. Date of next meeting. 16<sup>th</sup> August 2022

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