

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY 12TH AUGUST, 2014.
D R A F T M I N U T E S

PRESENT Cllrs. Barber, Leake, Roberts, Gorzelak, Belson, Stebbing, Bloomfield, District Councillor Derek Osborne, PCSO Faulkner & 3 members of the public.

APOLOGIES County Councillor Jessica Fleming.

Minutes of the last meeting held on the 8th July, 2014 were confirmed and signed.

TO RECEIVE PECUNIARY AND NON PECUNIARY INTERESTS OF MEMBERS. None.

TO CONSIDER APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION. None

PUBLIC OPEN FORUM. A member of the public spoke regarding affordable housing within the village and hoped that the Parish Council would be taking this issue forward.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR DISCUSSION. None.

PLANNING OUTCOMES.

PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 1055/14.

Proposal: Insertion of stud walls on second floor. Installation of mechanical vent.

Location: Crownland Hall, Crownland Road, Walsham-le-Willows.

Listed building consent has been granted by Mid Suffolk District Council.

PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 1751/14

Proposal: Remedial works to timber frame and replacement of door to south elevation.

Location: Sunnyside House, Finningham Road.

Listed building consent has been granted by Mid Suffolk District Council.

PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 1243/14

Proposal: Form a new door opening through an existing internal wall.

Location: The Old Vicarage, Palmer Street, Walsham-le-Willows.

Listed building consent has been granted by Mid Suffolk District Council.

PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 1647/14

Proposal: Demolition of existing buildings and rebuild of cottage with a two storey side extension (Revised design to that previously approved under planning permission 0806/12.

Location: Holmwood, The Street, Walsham-le-Willows.

Planning permission has been granted by Mid Suffolk District Council.

PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 1323/14

Proposal: Erection of two storey dwelling and creation of new vehicular access. Alterations to existing access for temporary use for the construction of the proposed dwelling. (Revised scheme to that approved under planning permission 1160/12.

Location: Land adjacent to The Elms, Badwell Road, Walsham-le-Willows.

Notice of withdrawal has been received.

REPORTS.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR DEREK OSBORNE.

Councillor Osborne reported that the information he has received concerning the footways at Grove Park and Townhouse Road is that work to complete the footway leading into Grove Park will be carried out in the latter part of September and the one leading into Townhouse Road has still to be arranged.

He has reported to Mid Suffolk District Council the dead tree at the rear of the garages in Grove Park.

POLICE.

Crime Stats.

In the past month there have been 2 crimes reported to the police. The first relates to:-

Criminal Damage to Motor Vehicle which occurred between 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. on the 30th July.

The second one, no information can be provided.

PCSO Faulkner offered advice on the security of farm and outbuildings, vehicles, trailers and quad bikes.

COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH.

Paul Leake reported that a speed check had been carried on Finningham Road and 2 vehicles were found to be exceeding the speed limit. He is also placing an item in next months Observer in a bid to recruit more assistants.

PLAY AREA.

Cllr. Stebbing reported that he has received complaints from residents living alongside the ditch at the lower end of the play area that children have broken down the fence and have filled the ditch with wood etc. He has liaised with Quentin Cass and agreed that a new fence needs to be erected. He has obtained a quotation from David Smith which is as follows:- Labour only £495 + piping a small section of ditch £85. Materials £341. 66 + VAT. He with the assistance of Cllr. Roberts agreed that they will clear the ditch and cart all the debris away and also pipe the small section of ditch to keep costs down. It was unanimously agreed by Councillors to accept this quotation and agreed that the work needs to be carried out quickly The Clerk was instructed

to contact David Smith requesting this quotation in writing, when this is received she can give the go ahead for the work to be carried out.

FOOTPATH WARDEN. Nothing to report.

CLERKS FINANCIAL REPORT AND REQUEST FOR PAYMENTS. A report of income/expenditure against budget to the 31st July, 2014 was presented. All cheques were passed for payment and duly signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 8TH JULY, 2014.

COMMUNITY PAY BACK TEAM – WORK WITHIN THE VILLAGE. There has been input from the Community Pay Back Team this month. 1 person has worked 10 – 12 hr. days for a week cleaning, undercoating and painting part of the railings and posts. His period of pay back time is ending. We have been told that the Probation Service will provide someone else to continue the work. A work party of 4 have done some strimming work along the stream bank.

FOOTWAYS AT ELMSIDE. This is still ongoing as reported by Cllr. Osborne.

PARISH WORK PARTY. It was reported that the work party have cut the hedge between the Church and Priory Room and also raked up debris from the Drs. Path. A date for the next work party will be arranged at the September meeting.

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PLANNING WORKSHOP Cllr Gorzelak reported that a reciprocal agreement for the use of halls in the case of an emergency has been arranged with Wattisfield.

TREES ON STREAM BANK. Chair reported that three teams of workers had arrived to trim back the trees on the stream bank on the morning of 28th July, 2014. However their information via UK Power Networks proved to be inaccurate in relation to the properties that would lose power whilst the work was carried out. A number of householders had been informed that there would be interruption to their supply during the day. However once power was cut, it became apparent that a significant number of other properties were also without power. As these households had not been previously informed, work had to cease and the power be returned. This has resulted in yet another delay to the completion of work which will now probably not take place until the autumn.

LITTER BIN AT JUNCTION OF TOWNHOUSE ROAD/FINNINGHAM ROAD. No further progress.

LISTED BUILDING STATUS. Cllrs. Gorzelak and Belson have compiled a list which was presented to all Parish Councillors.

FOUR ASHES TRIANGLE No further progress.

LETTERING ON WAR MEMORIAL. The Clerk reported that Hubby Frost has had a good response to his request for donations to have the war memorial re-lettered and is confident that he will raise the money required shortly. The Clerk enquired if she could order the work to be carried out. Councillors unanimously agreed.

MOLES IN CHURCHYARD. Still ongoing.

WALSHAM WILD WOOD – TREE SPONSORSHIP FOR 2014. A cheque for £150 has been given, this being the donation agreed upon from the Parish Council.

BETTER BROADBAND FOR WALSHAM. The Chairman's report will be in this months Observer.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING. Councillors unanimously agreed to go ahead with a village survey and the Clerk was instructed to contact Sunilla Osborne with regard to this.

CORRESPONDENCE. None.

OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION. A review of the FINANCIAL REGULATIONS was made and formally adopted.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS/QUESTIONS TO THE CHAIRMAN. None.

Cheques passed for payment were as follows:-

T.Hunter £122. 50. (Street cleaning).

A.D.Clancy £315. 82p. (Clerks wages/expenses).

Browns Tree Services £300. (Tree work).

Walsham Wild Wood £150. (Donation).

Clarks of Walsham £44. 29p. (maintenance).

The meeting closed at 8.55 p.m.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER, 2014
COMMENCING AT 7.00 P.M. IN THE PRIORY ROOM.