

GISLEHAM PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held at The Village Hall, Gisleham on Monday 10th January 2022.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.00pm.

Present: Parish Councillors: Mr P Gillott (Chair), Mrs M Boon, Mr B Collen, Mr R Dexter, Mr M Lanham, Miss R Moffatt and Mrs L Spendlove.

In attendance: County Councillor, Mr M Ladd
District Councillor: Mr C Rivett,
Mr D Ward (Parish Clerk)
Chair of Hut Committee and resident from Rushmere.

01. Apologies for absence: were received from Rev Mandy Bishop

02. Declarations of pecuniary or other interest relevant to items on the agenda.
No declarations were received.

03. Minutes of Previous Parish Meetings:
It was proposed by Miss R Moffatt, and seconded by Mr B Collen, that the Minutes presented for the meeting held on 15th November 2021 and the Planning Committee meeting held on 20th December 2021, were a true record of the proceedings. This was confirmed by all and they were then signed by the Chair and Clerk.
There were no matters arising.

04. Report from Suffolk County Councillor
County Councillor M Ladd reported that the County Council will meet on 11th January to discuss the 2022-23 budget. Expected to be £625.4 million, the majority will be focused on Social Care but also include significant support to address flooding in the County and the on-going conversion of street lighting to LED fittings.
The Highway issues in relation to the Gateway Business Park have been acknowledged and, in conjunction with the issues relating to the Kessingland By-pass, MP Peter Aldous has suggested some solutions, which are being considered.
The condition of the deteriorating surface of Cooke Road was also highlighted. Councillor M Ladd will raise this issue with County Highways in liaison with District Councillor C Rivett.

05. Report from East Suffolk Councillor:
District Councillor C Rivett confirmed that the Service Contract with Norse, which ends in 2023, will not be renewed and those services will be undertaken direct by East Suffolk Council.
Work is progressing well, as planned, on the Gull Wing Third crossing.
Grants of up to £1,500 are available from the Community Partnership, up to February.
Response from the Secretary of State to the Sizewell C project is awaited.
In response to a query at the last meeting, Carlton Colville Primary school has confirmed that the new car park is currently closed, between school opening and closing, in order to provide additional play areas to assist with social distancing the pupils. The car park will be opened at lunch times, as soon as practicable.

Signed.....ChairmanClerk Date.....

06. Questions from Parishioners:

Mrs L Spendlove, has been asked to query the postal address for the access road and properties recently approved on the site of Carlton Motors. The new road will be called Carters Close and confirmation is sought that the address will be Gisleham, not Carlton Colville. The Clerk was asked to contact Royal Mail for clarification

07. Finance:

The Clerk advised Councillors of the current Bank balances and CIL reserve.

08. Carlton Colville Town Council Neighbourhood Plan:

Regular meetings are held and a Planning Consultant has prepared a detailed Planning Brief for Bells Farm, to assist developers once proposals are completed. It is hoped that a Public Consultation will be possible in the Community Centre on 8/9/10th April for those unable to access Social Media sites and the internet.

09. Quiet Lane status – Black Street:

Mr R Dexter was joined by a resident from Rushmere.

Preliminary discussions with residents of Black Street, Gisleham and The Street, Rushmere, suggest there would be support for an Application for Quiet Lane status for that road which straddles the boundary between Gisleham and Rushmere.

Mrs L Spendlove will assist in accessing necessary forms and correspondence to consider the implications and viability of this proposal.

10. The Platinum Jubilee, 2nd June 2022 (Treebilee):

In responding to East Suffolk Council, we have been successful in acquiring a sapling Oak tree to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee. The tree will be delivered during February.

In addition, Carlton Colville primary school have accepted our offer of three trees for their wildlife area, again to celebrate the Jubilee.

Councillors agreed, unanimously, to spend up to £150 to provide a Silver Birch, Crab Apple and Rowan with stakes, straps and plaques. Mrs L Spendlove to provide the details for the Clerk to place the relevant orders.

11. The Hut :

The Chair of the Gisleham Parish Room Trustees, Bruce Provan, attended the meeting to advise concerns about the deterioration in the structure of 'The Hut'. Last year, the parquet flooring was replaced with vinyl and, during the works, problems were identified with the floor slab. Subsequent inspections have highlighted potential problems with the asbestos roof and walls.

He stressed there was no immediate urgency. Insurance assessors have been contacted and it was suggested an independent structural survey may be advisable (possibly grant funded) to identify the problems and provide a timescale to their extent and rectification.

12. Councillors Forum - Agenda Items for Future Meeting:

None

13. Dates for Future Meetings:

The next meeting is planned for **Monday 21st March 2022 starting at 7pm**

Future meetings were agreed as:

9th May, 4th July, 19th September and 7th November