

GISLEHAM PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held at The Village Hall, Gisleham on Monday 17th May 2021 at 7.15 pm

The Chairman opened the meeting following the AGM

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) and 4 Parishioners.

01. Apologies for absence.

District Councillor: Ms J Ceresa

02. Declarations of pecuniary or other interest relevant to items on the agenda.

Mr B Collen recorded an interest in Item 12, ownership of Sandy Lane

03. Minutes of Previous Parish Meetings:

It was proposed by Miss R Moffatt, and seconded by Mr R Dexter, that the Minutes that were presented for the meetings held on 16th November 2020 and 11th January 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

Mr M Ladd was congratulated on his re-election, following the recent polls and reported that the first meeting of the County Council would be on 27th May 2021.

He was able to discuss several issues:

a) Consideration is being given to a Traffic Regulation Order to control parking adjacent to the entrances of the new car park at Carlton Colville Primary school.

b) The Traffic Regulation Order to limit parking between the school entrance and Rushmere Road should be in place shortly.

c) Planting on the roundabout adjacent to Pizza Hut has been delayed due to Covid restrictions but the work should be resumed this week.

d) Concerns have been raised again about unsocial behaviour, during the evenings, with cars and motor cycles on the Pizza Hut/Homebase and Gateway Retail Park car parks. Deployment of mobile ANPR cameras may help in identifying vehicles responsible.

e) Concerns have also been raised about the speed of vehicles on the Kessingland Bypass and A12 by Pontins. The Police are aware of these issues and checks are in place for consideration before restrictions are imposed.

05. Report from East Suffolk Councillors:

Councillor C Rivett advised successful receipt, by East Suffolk Council, of a £25m grant from the Government Town Fund and injection of £100m in Business Support.

Local disruption over coming weeks may be experienced due to Flood Prevention work, Broadband cable installation and the commencement of the Gull Wing river crossing.

Covid testing kits are now readily available from NHS and local pharmacies.

District Councillors have 'Locality' grants available

Signed.....ChairmanClerk
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- 06. Questions from Parishioners:**
Agreed these would be considered as the item arose.
- 07. Commemorative Bench:**
The commemorative bench to acknowledge Ivan Gilbert's contribution to the Parish has been ordered and will be fixed, adjacent to the Bus Shelter, at the end of Black Street. A plaque will be fitted, the wording will be agreed with his family.
- 08. Bloodmoor Community Centre:**
Some of the Councillors have, individually, offered their support, in rejuvenating the Bloodmoor Community Centre following the resignation of all of the Trustees. The property, and adjacent playing field, are currently the responsibility of East Suffolk Council
Gisleham Parish Council were asked if they would take over the Lease but decided this was beyond their expertise and financial capability, although did offer to provide support for the venture, where possible.
Carlton Colville Town Council are considering the proposition in conjunction with East Suffolk Council Asset Management Team. Gisleham Parish Council will keep a 'watching brief' on the negotiations.
- 09. Dale End Play Area:**
A request has been received from the Outreach Youth Workers for a football and rounders pitch to be marked out on the Dale End Playing Field. Members considered this request and unanimously agreed to instruct East Suffolk Norse to mark out the pitches at an agreed cost of £260 + VAT.
The Youth Workers have also produced a 'wish list' of equipment and facilities they would like to see on the Playing Field. Councillor Mark Lanham agreed to make contact to discuss their proposals.
- 10. Dog Waste Bin:**
A request has been received to consider the installation of a Dog Waste Bin adjacent to the footpath near the new car park at Carlton Colville Primary school on Gisleham Road. The cost of a bin is approximately £200 and the school has offered to undertake the installation. Miss R Moffatt proposed that this be provided. This was seconded by Mr B Collen and agreed by all.
- 11. Gisleham Church Graveyard:**
The Parochial Church Council of Holy Trinity Church, Gisleham, has requested funding towards the maintenance of the graveyard. Annual costs for this work are averaging £900. It was noted that the County and District Councils are trying to encourage some of these areas to be left uncut to encourage wild life. After considerable discussion, Miss R Moffatt proposed that a donation of £500 be given. This was seconded by Mr B Collen and passed by a majority. It was also suggested that the Church might consider approaching local Community Groups and the Probation Service to achieve assistance with this issue.
- 12. Ownership of Sandy Lane:**
Recently questions have been raised over the ownership of Sandy Lane. The Collen family have advised it is in their ownership as an Unadopted Highway. As a 'Private Road' they have indicated they have no responsibility for maintenance.

Signed.....ChairmanClerk
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13. Finance:

13.01. Review of Account Signatories:

Current signatories are Philip Gillott and Rosemary Moffatt. On 5th April Barclays Bank agreed to a Mandate Change to add Mrs M Boon and Mr M Lanham to the Signatories. Two signatures are required for transactions.

13.02. Receipts since 5th April 2021

Following a change in their Accounting procedures, East Suffolk Council have paid the full £4,000 Annual Precept for 2021-2022. A VAT refund of £128.09 has also been received

13.03. Expenses since 5th April 2021:

SALC Annual fee of £338.57 and Audit fees £30.00

13.04. Account Balances at 30th April 2021

Community Account £5,429.49

Savings Account £7,984.20

14. Planning:

14.01. Members reviewed the Planning Applications received since November 2020. Still outstanding is the Enforcement Action regarding the Fishing Lake at Dam Lane. It is understood that a Court Hearing has been arranged for July 2021. Gisleham Parish Council to request regular updates on progress.

Concern had been received about the erection of stables in the field at the end of Sandy Lane, It is understood that East Suffolk Planning had advised the owners that Planning Consent would be required and the stables have subsequently been removed

County Councillor, District Councillor and the 4 Parishioners left the meeting at this point

A Planning Application had been received on 12 May and circulated for comment.

14.02. DC/21/2147/PN3 – Prior Notification, Building Adjacent to Hall Farm Barn, Gisleham Road, Gisleham NR33 8DX

Proposal – One Bedroom Annexe

Members considered the Application and recommended **APPROVAL**

15. Agenda Items for Future Meeting:

Mrs L Spendlove requested that consideration be given to joining with the Queen Elizabeth tree planting initiative.

16. Dates for Future Meetings:

Subject to further restrictions being imposed, the Provisional dates for meetings:

Monday 5th July

Monday 20th September

Monday 15th November

Monday 10th January 2022

Monday 21st March 2022

All meetings will be held at The Hut starting at 7.30pm

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