# **GISLEHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

# PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

# Minutes of the meeting held at The Village Hall, Gisleham on Monday 6th March 2023.

Council Chairman, Philip Gillott, opened the meeting at 7.00pm and welcomed Bruce Proven, Chair of the Gisleham Parish Room Trustees

Present: Parish Councillors: Mrs M Boon (Vice Chair), Mr R Dexter Mr P Gillott (Chair), and Miss R Moffatt

In attendance: East Suffolk Councillor, C Rivett Mr. D Ward (Parish Clerk) Mr B Proven, Chair, Gisleham Parish Room Trustees

**82.** Apologies for absence: were received from Parish Councillors Mr M Lanham, Mrs L Spendlove and Mr B Collen and from Suffolk County Councillor, Mr M Ladd, all absences were accepted. Councillors send best wishes to Mr Ladd for a speedy recovery.

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

No declarations were received.

# 84. Minutes of Previous Meetings:

It was proposed by Mr R Dexter and seconded by Miss R Moffatt, that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023, and the Planning meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> February, were both true records of the proceedings.

This was confirmed by all and they were then signed by the Chair and Clerk.

# 85. Report from Suffolk County Councillor:

In his absence, County Councillor, M Ladd had reported that Milestone Infrastructure had been successful in being awarded the Highways contract with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023. Denmark Road and Peto Way are currently closed to allow the construction of a roundabout to the Northern junction of the Gull Wing bridge. Alternative routes have been signposted.

# 86. Report from East Suffolk Councillor:

District Councillor, C Rivett, advised that, until 15<sup>th</sup> March, grants are available for Communities to provide affordable food to vulnerable people. On-line applications are required.

An invitation from the Chair of East Council to attend the Civic Reception at East Point Pavilion on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March will be accepted by the Vice Chair and Clerk.

# 87. Questions from Parishioners:

There were no questions asked.

# 88. Finance:

The Clerk advised Councillors of recent expenditure and the current Bank balances. Locality Grants towards the cost of the structural survey of the Village Room from Suffolk County Council and towards the cost of refurbishment of the bus shelter from East Suffolk Council have both been received, and acknowledged.

### 89. Local Elections:

The Notice of Election will be published on 16<sup>th</sup> March, when nominations can be presented. East Suffolk Council, and Parish Council, elections will take place on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2023. In accordance with legislation, this will affect the timing of the AGM, which will now be held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May at 7.00pm.

# 90. Coronation Celebrations:

The Hut Committee are planning a Tea Party, to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III, on the lawn at The Hut on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May from 1pm. Refreshments will be available. Councillors agreed to support the event, where possible.

# 91. The Book Exchange, Bus Shelter and Waste bins:

The Book Exchange and bus shelter will be repainted when the weather improves. The Clerk has obtained a quotation from Glasdon UK for two hooded waste bins at a total cost, for supply and delivery, of £390. It was decided to delay a decision on purchasing these bins until later in the year.

# 92. Carlton Colville Town Council Neighbourhood Plan:

The Neighbourhood Plan has been submitted to East Suffolk Council. Their response, and publication, is awaited

Carlton Colville Town Council will host 'Family Fest' at the playing field on Sunday 4th June

# 93. Quiet Lane status – Black Street, Gisleham/The Street, Rushmere.

As requested, the Clerk has contacted the Quiet Lanes Team and was advised that the current project for creating Quiet Lanes is closed. This process needs to be legally enacted within various Regulations, including the Road Traffic Act. Further criteria would need to be determined by the County Council, including traffic flow and average speeds.

# 94. Gateway Retail Park:

The Planning Department is aware that the bollard restricting a left turn from the commercial vehicle service yard to the rear of The Range has been removed. Discussions are continuing.

# 95. County Highways:

County Highways have indicated the posts to the 'bend signs' opposite the Primary school on Gisleham Road and at the West end of Black Street will be replaced. The repair to the sign on Rushmere Road has finally been completed

# 96. Councillors Forum - Agenda Items for Future Meeting: None requested

# 97. Dates for Future Meetings:

The next meeting will be at **7.00pm on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2023** followed by the **AGM at 7.00pm on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May**.

Signed.....Clerk

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