

## WANGFORD WITH HENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

### Draft Minutes of the meeting held in Wangford Community Centre Committee Room at 8.00pm Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2022

**Present:** Chair Cllr S Smith, Cllrs Pepper, Miller, Carter, Ives, Farrands, Utting, Waters & D Cllr Brooks, Clerk J Brown.

#### 1 **Declarations of Interest**

#### 2 **Receipt and acceptance of apologies** – Cllr A Smith, unwell.

#### **PUBLIC FORUM –to include COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLOR’S REPORTS.**

Cllr Brooks: The first section of the Gull Wing bridge has been delivered and will be put in place over the railway line in June. Business plans for the rejuvenation of Lowestoft have been submitted to the Government, 4 have been accepted so far and funding should amount to over £25 million. Lowestoft’s new beach huts, refurbishment of the old ones and the glass pavilion should all be completed this year. Business plans for a Freeport at Felixstowe have been submitted, if agreed should bring more jobs to the area. Council Tax will increase by 2.9% this year this equates to £4.95 per year. This is a small amount of ESC’s environmental grant money still available.

#### 3 **Acceptance Of Minutes Of Meeting Held 8<sup>th</sup> February 2022** – Cllr Waters proposed acceptance, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Farrands, aif.

#### 4 **Matters Arising From The Minutes Of Previous Meetings**

Bus stops. A resident asked when the work will be starting, nothing has been heard from C Cllr Dunning, Clerk to ring her.

Queen’s Platinum Jubilee Celebrations – There is to be a community meeting tomorrow to discuss plans.

VAS recalibration – Cllr A Smith to ask Cllr A Smith for update.

New garage plots – Cllr Smith has identified 1 or 2 areas, he will get quotes to remove old shed and for 2 concrete bases.

Smart meter – Installation booked for March 29<sup>th</sup>.

New flag pole – Cllr Farrands proposed the PC pay half towards a new one (cost approx. £200) if required, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Utting, aif.

#### 5 **Reports**

**Clerk’s report** to include Police Report sourced from Suffolk Constabulary’s Website.

There have been no enquiries about the job vacancy.

Cllr S Smith has had to buy a new padlock for the MUGA, the boards around the area are rotten, Clerk to ask Cllr A Smith if he got quotes for gravel board replacements.

The key is no longer at the shop. The goal posts and nets on the playingfield need replacing and the ground in front of one goal mouth needs repairing.

Cllr Pepper was asked by a resident if the PC are doing anything to help during the Ukrainian situation, there is not anything they can do that has not been covered by other better placed organisations.

Cllr Pepper: 11 volunteers helped with planting the Jubilee Tree and making compost heap Cllrs thought it may be a good idea to concrete the plaque into the ground. He has not heard anything from the sign company for 3 weeks and will get onto them.

Cllr Pepper has had more complaints about people walking dogs on allotments, but he couldn’t see any signs of fouling.

#### 6. **Finance**

<b>a. Accounts for Payment</b>	<b>COST</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
J Brown, Clerk’s Pay & expenses			278.55
CAS – Website host	50.00	10.00	60.00
EON – Electricity	9.43	1.89	11.32
S Smith – Padlock for MUGA			12.99
<b>Total 4</b>			<b>£362.86</b>

Cllr Utting proposed payment of these accounts, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Pepper, aif.

**b Accounts already paid** – None

**c Receipts** – CIL £750.00. Festival Republic – donation £250.00

**d Bank Statement Figures-** 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022 C Acc: £3,200.50 B Acc: £9,247.71

Latitude Ticket Sales Acc £18,748.77. **Includes £1410.07 CIL**

**e Appointment of internal auditor-** Cllr Pepper proposed using SALC, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Ives, aif.

**f Discuss reserves** – Approx £18,100 is earmarked as follows: CIL £1410, bus stops £4,000, garage plots £4,000, signs £1,500, repairs in and around playingfield £5,000, gates and posts £2,000 & flagpole £200.

7. **Correspondence** – Circulated.

8. **Planning** –

**a Applications rec'd:** DC/22/0324/FUL Hill Farm, Hill Road, Reinstatement of derelict farmhouse. Cllr Waters proposed no objections, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Farrands, aif.

**b Decisions rec'd:** None

9. **Any Other Business**

Cllrs volunteered to pick up litter around the playingfield when they are out and about.

Cllr Carter reported more cars parking on the cobbles opposite the shop, Clerk to try to find out who owns the land.

Clerk to report trip hazards on the pavements alongside the playing in Norfolk Road and and on the opposite side the whole length.

**Meeting closed at 8.50pm.**

**Jean Brown, Clerk to Wangford with Henham Parish Council, 5 Mill Lane, Wrentham, Beccles NR34 7JQ**

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**Date of Next Meeting: 12<sup>th</sup> April 2022**