

Copdock & Washbrook Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 9 January 2018 at Pavilion, Old London Rd, Copdock, 7.30pm

Present: Chairman Keith Armes, County Cllr Chris Hudson, District Cllr Nick Ridley, Cllr Mike Watling; Cllr Terry Corner, Cllr Andy Mexome, Cllr Laura Butters, Cllr Peter Jones, Cllr Tina Sutters, 10x residents, Clerk.

1445/1718 Welcome and Apologies: Chairman Keith Armes opened the meeting. Apologies: District Cllr Barry Gasper, Cllr Chris Coupland.

1446/1718 Declaration of Interest: None.

1447/1718 Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on 5 December 2017 were approved and signed as a true record.

1448/1718 Clerks Report inc. Matters Arising – as below.

Local Plan - the PC received confirmation emails (most in duplicate or triplicate) from BMSDC to comments made on the Local Plan.

Proposed Quarry - adjacent A12/Belstead - comments made, awaiting further consultation.

The missing handrail from a set of steps on the grass bank opposite The Brook, reported at Dec meeting, has been reported, acknowledged and am now awaiting comment following a site visit by SCC.

HGV signs - new signs are to be installed on Old London Rd, A1071 at Hintlesham and at Chattisham, confirmed in an email from CC Christopher Hudson and forwarded to all Parish Cllrs.

Full Register of Electors now available and sent by BMSDC.

James Cartlidge MP is holding a constituency surgery this month, poster is on the noticeboard by the Church Room.

1449/1718 Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 19.38pm

DC Nick Ridley: Local Plan, nothing further to report, need in view of the number of planning applications being applied for.

Council tax to increase by 3.5%, will increase a Band D property by £3 a week.

Council meetings - 4 have been held in the past 4 weeks, 3 were very unpleasant, leader of BDC Jenny Jenkins resigned. Unity is being restored, needed for a cabinet government.

Move to Endeavour House working well, no parking if arrive late, improvement having all staff under one roof.

Consultation for one council made soon, under statutory laws meetings can't be held together.

CC Chris Hudson: newsletter sent. Suffolk School Travel - 3 options - out for consultation.

Suffolk is one of 10 pilot areas to retain 100% of business rates from council tax for yr 18/19.

Good income stream - not sure how much.

Suffolk Climate Change - fully funded central heating systems to help fuel poverty, managed by SCC. Grants available.

Upper Orwell crossing - ground work investigations to design 3 bridges.

SEN children, funding not being reduced, finding better ways to spend it.

HGV signs - Swan Hill - need to be changed, asked for PC to email details.

Reconvened 19.49hrs.

1450/1718 Planning Applications:

DC/17/05976 Copdock House, Old London Rd IP8 3JW. Change of use from a sui generis use to a large HMO dwelling house (Sui Generis use). *Recommend approval.*

DC/17/05977 Land south of Little Copdock House, Old London Rd IP8 3JW. The erection of a building to accommodate a light workshop area, ancillary offices, ancillary drivers rest room and ancillary storage. *Recommend approval.*

DC/17/05975 Little Copdock House, Old London Rd IP8 3JW. Change of use of Little Copdock House from Sui Generis use to a B1 Light Industrial use. *Recommend approval.*

DC/17/06054 Land between The Oaks and Wandelaar, Folly Lane IP8 3JQ. Outline Planning application. (All matters reserved) Erection of up to 7 dwellings.

The Parish Council find the development in accordance with the Parish Council's Local Plan and therefore acceptable with the following conditions: - the road is upgraded to standard road width along the length of the site and continuing down to Old London Rd to allow 2 vehicles (lorry and car minimum) to pass - to include a kerbed footpath from the site, down to Old London Rd to allow all residents of Folly Lane safe pedestrian access. - the road surface is upgraded to a better standard.

DC/17/06095 The Oaks, Old London Rd IP8 3JD. Erection of side extension of bungalow. *Recommend approval.*

DC/17/06175 White House, Old London Rd IP8 3JH. White House, Old London Rd IP8 3JH. Outline Planning application (Access to be considered) Erection of up to 6 no. dwellings and garages and alteration to existing access off London Rd.

The Parish Council find the development in accordance with the Parish Council's Local Plan and therefore recommend approval with the following conditions:

- the Parish Council would like to see another pair of 2 bed semi-detached dwellings in place of one of the larger 4 bed detached dwellings

- also to retain as many trees as possible.

For info only: HM Land Registry. Notice of an application for registration of a person in adverse possession - B149. Land on the east side of Woodpeckers, Old London Rd IP8 3JF.

DC/17/05783 2 The Marvens, Washbrook IP8 3JE Erection of rear conservatory (retention of). *No objection.*

1451/1718 Financial Matters & RFO Report:

a) payments recommended - TS & AM

b) pre-cept - recommend 5% increase, first increase for 12 years. Full council approved.

RFO Report

The Parish Council's budget position is in order, with all spending within the current financial years budget. As advised in previous reports some budgets are reaching their limit.

Finance Working Group have considered the pre-cept, Parish Councillors proposals and the Draft Considerations sheet has been distributed to all Parish Councillors. This will be further discussed at this meeting and the final decision can be made at the January 2018 meeting.

Payments approved.

Income as per spreadsheet.

Spreadsheets updated to 05/12/17. Copies distributed at meeting.

Minuted and approved.

1452/1718 Local Planning Consultation:

Awaiting next consultation phase.

1453/1718 Suffolk Minerals & Waste Local Plan (Quarry)

Comments acknowledged, awaiting next consultation.

1454/1718 Neighbourhood Plan:

Parish Council Local Plan - proposed upgraded to Neighbourhood Plan. LB to set up a meeting with Rendlesham PC Clerk for advice. Also LB to speak to Tom Barker to ask him to advise the PC how to convert Local Plan to Neighbourhood Plan.

1455/1718 Playing field improvements:

AM - found funding for outdoor gym equipment - Fonnereau Rd Health Foundation. Further report next meeting.

1456/1718 Matters to be brought to the attention of the Council:

- Hedge at Amor Lodge overhanging pavement/footpath - write to owner.
- Hedge corner of The Street and Pheasant Rise - Marvello House - overhanging pavement/footpath - write to owner.
- Water pipe leaking into road The Street/Amor Lodge - Anglian Water now known as Wave - not their responsibility. Write to owner of Amor Lodge.
- MW - 9 lights out in the underpass
- AM - still having problem with bagged dog mess in Amor Lane. Write to BDC to enquire if a bin was installed up Amor Lane if the refuse lorry would go up there to empty.
- TS - trees down in storm, some have been cleared. willow down between Gladwells and Whights Corner across footpath, also taken out the stock fence. There is a diversion.
- TS - Litter pick - arranged for Sat 24 March 10am-12 noon from Church Room.

Items for next agenda: none.

Meeting closed at 20.38hrs.