

Copdock & Washbrook Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 7 January 2020 at the Church Room, The Street, Washbrook - 7.30pm

Present:, Cllr Keith Armes, Cllr Laura Butters, Cllr Louise Carman, Cllr Terry Corner (Chairman), Cllr David Marsh, Cllr Mike Watling (Vice Chr), CC Christopher Hudson, District Cllr Dave Busby 3x residents, Clerk - Angela Chapman.

1751/1920 Chairman's Welcome & Apologies for Absence No apologies

1752/1920 Declaration of Interests Cllr Mike Watling - C&W Tennis Club; Cllr Louise Carman - Carman 4Seasons Ltd

1753/1920 Minutes. Minutes of the meeting held on 3 December 2019 were signed as a true record.

1754/1920 Clerk's Report including Matters Arising

I have had another person express an interest in carrying out ad hoc work for the PC in the village. They are a resident, awaiting sight of their insurance details.

Environmental management - Cllr Mike Watling and myself will meet with Danny Carman in the next month to arrange works for the coming season. As we are all aware, the works become more onerous each year, the PC will have to budget carefully for this.

The 3 planning applications for one site are all on the agenda for this month, to enable all to be considered together. Deadline on all 8 Jan 2020.

Still 2 Casual Vacancies.

1755/1920 Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 19.33hrs

CC Christopher Hudson - Locality Budget funds available, Clerk to write to CC CH for funding for village gateways and signs.

Highways have several ongoing disputes about positions of buildings and fences.

Election promises are all down to funding.

Northern Fringe bypass, a holistic approach needed with regard to noise, pollution, air quality and health and well being. A lot of activity on the 3 possible routes.

Civil Parking Enforcement will now be enforced by Ipswich Borough Council.

District Councillor Dave Busby: Hotel planning application granted. Much discussion about planning decisions and random applications approved, draft Local Plan and Neighbourhood Plan.

Residents: resident suggested funding for county infrastructure should come from central Government and not County Councils.

Meeting reconvened 19.59hrs.

1756/1920 Planning Applications:

DC/19/05526 Outline Planning Application (some matter reserved - access to be considered)

Erection of up to 9 no. dwelling for over 55s. The Mane Riding Centre Old London Road Copdock And Washbrook Ipswich Suffolk IP8 3JF

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The Parish Council object to this application. Furthermore, there is no pedestrian access to the village meaning residents would be car dependent, there are no amenities to support such a development.

Mention of the granted development adjacent to this site was made; all dwellings on this development are tied to the business on the same site, also permission was granted prior to Babergh DC having a 5 year land supply.

DC/19/05620 Full Planning Application

Conversion of outbuilding for use as an annexed accommodation for family member. The Paddocks Old London Road Copdock And Washbrook IP8 3JF

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DC/19/05619 Application for Outline Planning Permission (some matters reserved - access to be considered)
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It was bought to the Councils attention a building which did not appear to have planning permission. Clerk to report to BDC Enforcement.

1757/1920 Financial Matters & RFO Report:

- a. payments approved
- b. Village hall rent review - agreed for rents to stay as list agreed previously
- c. online banking - Clerk to contact Nat West again

RFO Report

The Parish Council's budget position is in order.

Pre-cept for year 2020-21 agreed at December meeting, form to be signed at this meeting and sent to Babergh DC by end of January.

As mentioned in the Clerk's report, environmental management work list for this Spring and Summer season will be done ready for the Feb meeting. This will need careful budgeting.

Payments approved.

Spreadsheets updated. Bank reconciliation sheets to be approved by Council. Checked & counter signed by Cllr Louise Carman.

1758/1920 Playing Field next Village Hall

After discussion, agreement was reached for a 1 (one) year licence for Copdock & Washbrook Cricket Club to use the playing field for overflow car park on specific dates and times with obligation to cut grass. Clerk to draw up licence and send.

1759/1920 Lease Renewal & Access

Cllrs Laura Butters & Cllr Louise Carman to chase solicitor for draft lease.

1760/1920 Neighbourhood Plan

Draft plan to be presented to February meeting for approval. Cllr Laura Butters to send a copy to all Parish Cllrs before the Feb meeting. Plan, if approved, will be presented to the village & will then be sent to Babergh DC. Highways Consultants report (1st draft) - Cllrs agreed to a meeting and present report to SCC Highways, SCC Finance depts, County and District Cllrs. Clerk to arrange.

Clerk to arrange village gateway/sign quote and liaise with CC Hudson for funding.

1761/1920 Matters to be brought to the attention of the Council:

KA - asked if the dates for the closure of A1071 by Taylor Wimpey site are available. Clerk to contact TM for confirmation.

Items for next agenda:

- N Plan - approval text - Cllr LB to send to Clerk
- VE Day - Clerk to email all village organisations to arrange meeting - Bank Holiday moved to Friday 8 May 2020

- Highways report to formally approve
- Clerk to write to Village Hall committee to confirm Tues 5 May 2020 as the renaming date for the village hall to 'The Peter Jones Hall'.

Meeting closed at 20.40hrs.