MINUTES OF THE NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 8th MARCH 2017, AT 7.30 PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL, NAYLAND.

Present: Mrs George (Chairman), G Battye, Mrs Fuller, G Walker, Mrs Cannings, Mrs Hattrell (Clerk), Mandy Cook (For the press) and 1 member of the public.

The Chairman welcomed everyone and read the filming notice.

Before Commencement of the Meeting

a. <u>Public Forum</u>

Nothing was raised.

- **b.** <u>District Council Report</u> Cllr Melanie Barrett was unable to attend, however, a written report was provided to members.
 c. County Council Report
- Cllr James Finch was unable to attend.

Parish Council Meeting

1. Apologies

- I Harris, R Badrick and M Booth.
- 2. <u>Approval of Previous Minutes</u>

The minutes of the meeting held on 8th February were accepted as a true record.

Declaration of Interest by Councillors

No declarations were made.

4. <u>Planning</u>

3.

<u>1. Decisions from the Planning Authority</u>:

a) Listed Building Consent had been granted for glazed doors at Guinea Wiggs, Bures Road - B/16/01496/LBC.

b) Permission and Listed Building Consent was granted for rear extension at 48 Bear Street - B/16/01736/FHA & 1737/LBC.

c) Permission was granted for replacement dwelling and cartlodge at Westwood, Harpers Hill - B/16/01580/FUL.

2. Between Meetings observations had been sent to the Planning Authority to comply with deadlines as follows: -

109 Bear Street B/17/00119_- Application for single storey and two storey rear extension. The Parish Council had No Objections, however, commented that the ground floor WC/Shower Room window should have obscured glass and should be non-openable.

Hilltop Farm, Harpers Hill B/17/00150 - Application for replacement antenna, cabinets and dish. The Parish Council had No Objections.

<u>3. 11 Gravel Hill - B/17/00087</u> - Application for Listed Building Consent to install external boiler - No Objections.

<u>4) Post Office Meeting</u> The Chairman advised that the Heritage Team at the Planning Authority were being consulted and appropriate Listed Building Consent will be applied for at the appropriate time.

- 5. <u>Allotments</u> A sad death of a partner to an allotment holder had been reported and condolences were sent. The holder will continue the allotment with family help. G Walker outlined plans I Harris had been working on in relation to the Allotment field/ Glebe land and vicinity. Out of the budget, £1544 had been spent on the Candy Lane hedge and £200 on grass and wildflower seed. The Tesco's grant of £1000 had been received. The next phase, which is possible within budget, includes the main entrance gate, installation of posts to mark permissive path, pedestrian gate and post & rail fencing at field entrance. The Webbs Meadow gate comes from a different budget. Following discussion G Battye proposed acceptance of the recommendations made by I Harris and G Walker. This was seconded by P Fuller and unanimously carried. Members thanked I Harris and G Walker for their work in this respect. On other matters the Chairman was to research a date for the Annual Allotment Holder Meeting and the Clerk was to arrange for judges for the Allotment Competition Action Chairman and Clerk.
- 6. <u>Housing Needs Survey</u> Nearby Parish Councils including this Council, were waiting on a meeting with the Officer concerned. M Barrett was assisting to set up the meeting. It was agreed to liaise with

M Barrett and escalate in the future if the meeting is not scheduled, in view of the time elapsed. Councillors expressed frustration that Babergh had not replied to correspondence, despite the matter going on for well over a year.

- 7. <u>Cycle Rack Budget</u> It was agreed to defer this item pending the end of year accounting information.
- 8. <u>Annual Parish Assembly</u>- The poster prepared by the Chairman was approved. No flyer will be distributed. Refreshments will not be served as it was not considered to add more value to the evening. Any ideas of questions/material to encourage attendance were to be sent to the Chairman. The Meeting will start at 7.45 p.m. Reports will be put up on boards as previously. The Chairman will send the advert to Community Times Action Chairman.
- 9. <u>Highways</u> The Chairman had been chasing County Highways for drain survey and clearance. The Clearance was scheduled within a few days. G Walker explained on-going flooding problems at the old Council Houses in Bures Road at No.s 3 & 4. It was agreed for the Clerk to report on the on-line system Action Clerk. G Battye reminded that some time ago the missing Essex County sign was reported from the A134 on the Essex/Suffolk border Action Clerk to issue a reminder.
- 10. <u>Street Lighting</u>- There was nothing further to report.
- 11. <u>Footpaths</u> It was noted the kissing gate at the western end of FP14 no longer opens fully which obstructs access. Bearing in mind the location, it would appear to be redundant as the field is not stock proof. The gate would belong to the landowner. The Footpath Warden had been liaising with County Right of Way in this respect. The Chairman agreed to assist towards resolution Action Chairman.
- 12. <u>Recreation & Open Spaces</u> Due to a report between meetings, the County Council were arranging for the remains of the tree on Caley Green to be removed. Mrs Cannings outlined her research on Caley Green together with various suggestions over the years. She intended to present her findings in an accessible format. This will be prepared ahead of the Annual Parish Assembly. She was thanked for the work in this regard. Mrs Cannings agreed to chase the contractor for a quotation for the Horsewatering Action Mrs Cannings. It was agreed to add Agenda items of the cost of a "new dog bin for near Wiston Church", cost of repairs to the "Wiston Road noticeboard" and "signage at the Fairfield" once the accounting carry forward is known Action Clerk.
- 13. <u>Village Hall</u> The gardening day was scheduled for 18th March.
- 14. <u>Community Council</u> There was nothing to report.
- 15. <u>Correspondence</u> The report had been issued ahead of the meeting and key areas were discussed. Concern was expressed about the lack of Police liaison around the spate of crimes that were experienced in the Village.
- 16. <u>Finance</u> The Chairman read from the bank balances as at 7th March 2017 as £1000 in the Current Account, £40287.68 in the linked Account and £10931.97 in the Capital Investment Account making a total of £52219.65.

17.	Accounts for Payment	
	Employment Costs totalled	1130.77
	Mortimer Contracts (litter & grass cutting)	444.00
	Suffolk County Council (Street Lighting power and maintenance)	1517.04
	Babergh District Council (Bin empty service)	544.19

The meeting closed at 8.48 pm.