MINUTES OF THE NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 14TH JULY 2021, AT 7.30 PM AT THE STEVENSON CENTRE, GREAT CORNARD AND BY VIDEO CONFERENCING.

Present: M George (Chairman), P Wilkie, L Erith, G Battye, P Fuller, N Cartwright, R Thorogood, D Hattrell (Clerk) and M Barrett (District Cllr) attended in person, J Finch (County Cllr), L Brooks (Community Times) and 1 member of the public attending via the Video link.

Before Commencement of the Meeting

a. Public Forum:

The member of the public representing Friends of Caley Green commented on the recent meeting about Caley Green. She said the meeting was interesting, however, she was concerned that the planting option may not be sustainable or maintenance free. The Chairman reminded the meeting the objective was not to block residents views and of the importance to protect the river bank from erosion. Concern was expressed about the effect on the nearby property values if these changes went ahead. The meeting was reminded that feedback from residents is encouraged and details will be in Community Times. The Parish Council is looking to engage the whole community in this process and all comments will be carefully considered.

b. District Council Report

District Cllr M Barrett attended and reported that cabinet are set to approve plans for new toilets, cafe and entrance to Belle Vue Park in Sudbury. In relation to the Joint Local Plan (JLP) the Planning Inspector met the District Council Planning Department on 21st June, however, IT problems prevented public participation. The hearing is therefore deferred to autumn. Site Inspections can resume subject to local covid measures being adequate. The Planning Department is to give feedback to Stoke following questions from Councillors. Locality Award applications are open for schemes meeting criteria of connecting communities, responding to the climate emergency and to promote resilient and healthy communities. In relation to the review of garages, M Barrett has no further information. Regarding the garage at the back of Bear Street, the investigation into the cracks was inconclusive so repairs will be made.

c. County Council Report

County Cllr J Finch reported the Covid 19 infection rates continue to increase, doubling in Suffolk over the 7 days leading to 12th July. He urged people to test regularly. The good news is, despite this increase, very few are needing hospital treatment due to the success of the vaccinations. There will be an independent review into Special Educational Needs and Disability Provision and the recommendations shared on the County Council website. Three new vehicles with latest technology have joined the Suffolk Fire & Rescue Fleet. Booking is still needed at Suffolk's Recycling Centres, however, they are progressing towards full capacity. Virtual Fostering and Adoption Sessions continue as demand has increased significantly.

Parish Council Meeting

- Apologies: D Harris had sent her apologies, however, had offered to be the Village Hall Representative. This was agreed.
- 2. Approval of Minutes of 9th June Meeting: These were accepted as a true record.
- 3. <u>Declarations of Interest by Councillors:</u> Nothing was declared.

4. Finance Report

i)The Chairman read from the bank balances as at 1st July 2021 as £1000 in the Current Account, £59512.57 in the linked Account and £17260.57 in the Capital Investment Account making a total of £77773.14. The Bank Statements ending 30th June 2021 were checked and signed by members.

ii) List of Pre-agreed payments for the June period: -Mortimer Contracts (Litter/Burial Ground & Grass) Employment Costs totalled

Community Action Suffolk (web hosting)	60.00
The Stevenson Centre (hall hire)	25.00
The Allotment Competition Prize cheques	45.00

It was agreed for L Erith to represent the Parish Council in respect of Jubilee mugs and the principle of making a contribution towards the cost was agreed. This will go on the Agenda for Finance Committee - Action L Erith and Clerk.

5. Planning

- 1. Decisions from the Planning Authority:-
 - A) Discharge of Conditions were approved in relation to floor details and wall insulation at 8 Mill Street DC/21/02170.
 - B) Discharge of Conditions application for materials were approved at New Farm, Harpers Hill **DC/21/03116.**
 - C) Planning Permission was Granted for the application for a rear garden room extension at Beaumont House, Bear Street DC/21/02563
 - D) The District Council raised No Objections to the Conservation Area tree work at Perry Farmhouse, Bear Street DC/21/03026
 - E) Planning Permission and Listed Building Consent was Granted for rear extensions at 2 Gravel Hill DC/21/00233/4
 - F) Planning Permission was granted for a storage building at Stour House, 23 Court Street DC/21/02798
- 2. Listed Building Application for windows and front door at 82 Bear Street DC/21/03548. This application was considered between meetings to comply with the deadline. There were No Objections.
- 3. Consideration was given to the application for the reduction of eucalyptus tree application at 43 Fen Street DC/21/03727. The Tree Warden and Parish Council had No Objections.
- 4. Consideration was given to the change of use application (including Listed Building) of public house to dwelling at White Hart, 11 High Street DC/21/03615/6.
 The Parish Council had No Objections subject to important conditions and the drafting of a response to Babergh planning was delegated to the Chairman.
- Consideration was given to the part retrospective application for worker's dwelling, screening and access at Harpers Hill Farm DC/21/03776.
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The Parish Council **objected** to this application due to the siting of the dwelling which is inappropriate in the AONB and as it would be visible to the neighbouring property - Gladwins Farm. This would result in loss of amenity. It would seem to fit with the security aim if the dwelling was sited further north. The Parish Council also **objected** due to the lack of clarity of materials and the confusing plans (Plan 354-001a). However, should permission be granted despite these valid objections, they confirmed it is essential the dwelling is linked (via a condition) with the host business and would not be able to exist separately.

- Consideration was given to the Tree Preservation Order application at Park House, Wissington Uplands
 DC/21/03873. The Tree Warden and Parish Council had No Objections.
- 7. Street Name for New Farm development, Harpers Hill as this Council's last suggestion was rejected.

The Parish Council did not agree with the rejection, so it was agreed to **make a challenge**. Members felt very strongly that our original suggestion should be re-considered. The whole corner was known as Naggs Farm historically. They really did not want the street name not to have this reference and they didn't think it would be confusing and similar themes exist elsewhere. They firmly suggested that "Naggs Farm Drive" is sufficiently different from Nags Corner.

8. Any other urgent Planning matters - the new notification of works to trees at The White House, 16 Church Lane - **DC/21/03934** was noted and would be considered between meetings.

- 6. Urgent Recreation and Open Spaces: In relation to Caley Green the working document, ecology meeting and documentation to go in Community Times was discussed. The deadline for comments from residents was agreed by the end of August in time for the September Meeting. A potential Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting to discuss Caley Green was discussed as there may not be sufficient time during on Ordinary Parish Council Meeting, however, the date, venue and time are still to be agreed. N Cartwright agreed to set up an email address specifically to receive comments and also test the 4G signal at the Village Hall as a temporary measure ahead of wifi being installed. All the comments in relation to Caley Green will then be taken into consideration. The Ecology Meeting was praised as informative. The working group were to complete the amendments to the working document and prepare other documents ready to go on our website and in Community Times to ensure good community engagement. Members took the opportunity to thank the working group for all the detail going into this project. With regard to other matters, the specification for work to the Fairfield turning circle had been sent to contractors for quotes. The quotation in respect of the War Memorial cleaning and refurbishment had been chased. It was reported that the Popps Piece barrier has been repaired by the County Council contractors following our report. The work by volunteers at the Horsewatering during lockdown was praised as all agreed the area is looking great. A site meeting is still to be arranged as Covid measures are now lifting. The recent Tree Risk Assessment was reported and the Chairman agreed to progress any urgent work identified. A copy of the Assessment was circulated to all Parish Council Members - Action Chairman.
- 7. <u>Any updates from Community Response to Covid 19</u>: L Brooks continues to update FaceBook.
- **8.** <u>Urgent Highways Safety Matters:</u> Nothing was raised, however, matters continue to be reported as they are identified via the Highways Reporting Tool.
- 9. <u>Urgent Burial Ground issues</u>: There was nothing to report, however, the Clerk continues to attend to Burial and Memorial applications between meetings.
- **10.** <u>Urgent Street Lighting Matters</u>: There was no further reports despite both the Parish Council and our County Cllr J Finch chasing.
- 11. <u>Urgent Footpaths Matters</u>: The Parish Council had no objections to the forthcoming trail running event. However, agreed to point out the increased congestion and parking near the Anchor and the other end of Caley Green limiting space for pedestrians **Action Clerk**.
- Urgent Allotment issues: The Allotment Working Group had investigated various matters and circulated documents to the Parish Council in May. Due to other pressing matters, this item has been delayed. The Allotment Waiting list is increasing. Following discussion it was resolved to authorise the Allotment Working Group to obtain costings to extend the Allotments by around 6 half allotments Action Allotment Working Group. It was agreed to investigate the planting of a small number of trees potentially for the Jubilee. It was agreed to investigate the cost of rustic benches and the resident offering to pay for a memorial bench will be kept informed. It would be possible to use CIL funds for new benches and that will be considered at a future meeting. Some Allotment plots remain uncultivated and polite letters were finalised for the relevant Allotment Holders. The Chairman expressed concern about the dead barn owl and the police has drafted a notice for Community Times. The Chairman was delighted to read out the winners of this year's Best Kept Allotments Competition and read comments from the judges praising the condition of the majority of the Allotments and in particular the winning allotments.
- 13. <u>Urgent Village Hall matters</u>: Members were reminded that the August Meeting has a limited Agenda, if required at all, and the next full meeting will be in September. P Wilkie explained all the work which went into the Village Event preparation and the sad decision to post-pone due to Covid-19 procedures. In relation to the re-opening of the Hall, it was resolved to support the Village Hall Management Committee in the decision they make.
- **14.** <u>Urgent Community Council matters:</u> The Minutes are regularly circulated and there was nothing to report over and above the latest Minutes.
- **Correspondence:** The correspondence report had been circulated ahead of the meeting. The items had been picked up under the various agenda items. In relation to the request in relation to drone filming, it was noted that the Parish Council is not expert in this field, so it was agreed to ask the

organisers to clarify the legalities and licensing held. It was noted that the land owned by the Parish Council in the Parish is limited and that the airstrip was busy on Saturdays. The Clerk was to respond accordingly - **Action Clerk.**

The meeting closed at 9.52. pm.