

MINUTES OF THE NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 9TH NOVEMBER 2022, AT 7.30 PM AT NAYLAND VILLAGE HALL AND BY VIDEO CONFERENCING.

Present: R Thorogood (Chaired the Meeting), L Erith arrived after the start of the Meeting, G Batty, M George, N Cartwright, P Fuller, R Thorogood, D Hattrell (Clerk), M Barrett (District Cllr), J Finch (County Cllr) and 1 member of the public attended in person. L Brooks (Community Times) and 1 member of the public joined by Video link.

Before Commencement of the Meeting

a. Public Forum:

The Community Council are also considering a memorial tree or structure in tribute to our late Queen and to mark the King's Coronation. Another resident questioned in the absence of accidents, whether it was appropriate to consider reducing the speed limit in the centre of the Village together with the signage that would accompany the scheme. These contributions were noted.

b. District Council Report

District Cllr Melanie Barrett attended and confirmed whilst there were 2 District Council Meetings during October, the Conservative Cllrs did not attend the second meeting as a protest. During the first meeting the maximum award under CIL was increased to £100,000. She is working closely with Iain Wright to help secure the maximum award towards the Village Hall Roof. In other news, the District Councillors basic allowances have raised from £5000 to £5669. She confirmed she has a substantial amount left to allocate from her Locality Budget and asked where the need was locally. Ideas were raised in relation to the Churches in the Parish and she agreed to investigate further.

c. County Council Report

County Cllr J Finch attended and confirmed that various investment zone bids were submitted to Government on 14th October. Locally these include Ipswich at Copdock Interchange, the Eastern Gateway, Europa Way, Hadleigh Road and Seven Hills and in Sudbury - the Delphi site, the Hamilton Road Quarter and Chilton Woods. More Special Educational Needs places were funded at the October Cabinet Meeting. Ukrainian families are in need of further hosts. The deadline for secondary school applications has passed and for primary school places it is Sunday 15th January 2023. Automatic Number Plate Recognition Speed Indicator Devices will be rotated around rural problem sites. An Online survey has been launched on services important to residents. A short film to raise awareness of the need for Foster Carers has been launched. He confirmed that a survey is being conducted to allow residents to have their say about spending priorities.

Parish Council Meeting

- 1. Apologies:** were received and accepted from P Wilkie. L Erith (Chairman) attended later into the Meeting and R Thorogood remained in the Chair for the duration of the Meeting. M Hunter had confirmed he would not be able to attend. J Finch attended later into the Meeting.
- 2. Approval of Minutes of 12th October Meeting:** These were accepted as a true record.
- 3. Declarations of Interest by Councillors :** Nothing was declared.
- 4. Finance Report**
 - i) R Thorogood read from the bank balances as at 2nd November 2022 as £1000 in the Current Account, £98422.53 in the linked Account and £34638.63 in the Capital Investment Account making a total of £134061.16.

ii) List of Pre-agreed payments for the October period: -

Funds Transfer	Employment Costs totalled	£1264.64	Salary, NI and Pension
Funds Transfer	LuxSigns Ltd	£1980.00	War Memorial Deposit
Funds Transfer	Mortimer Contracts	£710.40	Litter/Grass/Open Spaces
Funds Transfer	Community Action Suffolk	£60.00	Email web hosting 22/23
Funds Transfer	Nayland Village Hall	£404.00	Mowing and hire
Funds Transfer	D K Hattrell	£266.20	VH Application fee

iii) The Half Year Budget Review had been circulated ahead of the Meeting. This showed additional income during the first half of this financial year of nearly £19,000 in CIL receipts and £7700 received from the Underwood family towards play equipment. Expenditure is sitting at 47% of budget at this half year point. G Battye commented on the healthy reserves and that he had researched the current arrangements for Public Work Loans and agreed to send the link to full Council - **Action G Battye**.

iv) Any other urgent Finance matters: The Clerk urged the various Committee's to provide information to Finance Committee to help with budget setting recommendations.

5. **Planning**

1. Decision from the Planning Authority:-

- a) Conditions were approved for fenestration and bricks and mortar mix at 10 Mill Street - **DC/22/03788**.
- b) The planning authority did not object to work to Conservation Area trees at Mill House, 12 Mill Street - **DC/22/04941**
- c) The planning authority did not object to work to fell holly in Conservation Area at 4 Birch Street - **DC/22/04956**.
- d) Consent had been granted to work on protected trees at 43 Bear Street - **DC/22/04942**
- e) The planning authority did not object to the felling of cherry tree in Conservation Area at Shaddelows House, Gravel Hill - **DC/22/04976**.
- f) Both Planning permission and Listed Building Consent were granted for a rear extension at 16 Birch Street - **DC/22/03838/39**.

2. Protected Trees application at 43 Bear Street - **DC/22/04942**. The Parish Council and our Tree Warden had No Objections between meetings.

3. Listed Building application at White Hart - **DC/22/05098**. This was considered between meetings to comply with the deadline. The Parish Council had No Objections in view of the nature of the timbers that would be exposed. In the circumstances this Council agreed the rendering would be the correct solution.

4. Consultation and re-consultation for external staircase and door to existing garage at 21 Stoke Road - **DC/22/05149**.
The Parish Council had No Objections following discussion.

5. Any other urgent Planning matters - It was confirmed that the Non Material Amendment Application for adding the solar panels to the Village Hall Roof was submitted. The application fee was reimbursed to the Clerk under the listed payments. It was agreed to discuss a planning item in Committee following the meeting. It was noted that the owners of the Scout Hut were aware of recent vandalism and the Police had been informed. The Chairman (L Erith) agreed to query an incorrect notice on a pole by the Burial Ground with County Broadband - **Action Chairman**.

6. **Highways:** Monitoring locations for the potential 20 mph zone application had been suggested by members between Meetings and these were shared with J Finch who has taken this further. This is a data gathering exercise at this stage. J Finch agreed to chase for the road markings to be re-done at the A134 junction with Bear Street. M George had attended the bus passenger meetings and had circulated notes. She had raised again the issue of unsafe bus stops. J Finch confirmed there was a new MD at Chambers and discussions were on-going. A dangerous dead tree on Horkesley Road had been reported. J Finch was chasing for the advisory HGV signs in Wisington.

7. **A Lasting Royal Memorial for the Village:** The merits of planting a memorial tree or trees on Caley Green were discussed. Members agreed to think further and put their comments on the shared form to enable a productive discussion at the December Meeting - **Action Clerk to include on the Agenda**. A comment was made that although there was time pressure with the Coronation approaching it was more important to get this right than rushing the decision.

8. **Street Lighting:** The Chairman (L Erith) has been chasing for resolution of the outstanding Street Light billing and has been promised some action ahead of Finance Committee.

9. **Recreation and Open Spaces:** The Recreation Sub-Committee reported on progress towards the new equipment for the Play Park which will be a trampoline and basket swing. They are also looking at on-going maintenance. The Play Park Inspection took place recently and again praised the upkeep of the Play Park. In relation to Caley Green, the contractors meetings have been held and reports to the working group were on-going. A further working group meeting would be arranged and then discussion at Parish Council would follow. The Environment Agency sign for the weir hazard has been broken off, so it was agreed to report to the Environment Agency - **Action Clerk.**
10. **Village Hall:** including roof project. Ahead of the Meeting members were updated about the Village Hall Roof funds and it was agreed that Finance Committee would be looking at the potential to provide further financial support. G Battye had agreed to circulate details relating to a Public Works Loan. A skip was being organised at the Village Hall and it was agreed for the Parish Council to consider funding a skip for future years following the Fireworks Event. D Harris agreed to liaise further in this regard - **Action D Harris.**
11. **Community Council:** The Minutes are regularly circulated and L Erith attended their recent meeting and reported on the various events being organised currently.
12. **Allotments:** The Annual Allotment Meeting had been booked for the Church Hall to start at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 14th November.
13. **Burial Ground:** D Harris agreed to join M George at the Annual Site Meeting with our Grounds Maintenance Contractors at the Burial Ground on 19th November.
14. **Footpaths:** L Erith reported that the issue with Dead Lane and surroundings is being dealt with. Fly tipping on the A134 had been reported. A productive community litter pick took place, however, with only 9 volunteers.
15. **Correspondence:** The correspondence report had been circulated ahead of the meeting. G Battye reported on The Walsh Trust Meeting and refreshed information to Council of how this Charity operates to provide Christmas bonuses. In recent years, it has become increasingly difficult to allocate the bonuses. They have now approached the Charity Commission in relation to contributing to a hardship fund for residents of the Parish. The Parish Council will be updated in due course. It was reported that the Memorial Cleaning was underway and M George offered to continue to do the trough planting which members were happy to agree to.

The meeting closed at **9.07 pm.**