

MINUTES OF THE NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 12TH JULY 2023, AT 7.30 PM AT NAYLAND VILLAGE HALL AND BY VIDEO CONFERENCING.

Present: L Erith (Chairman) D Harris, G Batty, O Brown, D Hattrell (Clerk), I Reece (District Cllr), J Finch (County Cllr) and 2 members of the public attended in person. Unfortunately there had been some damage to the Broadband Hub at the Village Hall, so a video link could not be provided.

Before Commencement of the Meeting

a. **Public Forum:** M Hunter, Conservation Society, challenged the stance of this Parish Council to County Highways not pursuing a 20 mph limit in Nayland. Members agreed to read carefully the paper M Hunter had sent and ask for a further Agenda item on the subject if they want this discussed. I Wright attended to update the Parish Council on the two successful fund raising events - Proms in the Park and an afternoon tea. The Village Festival is due to take place in September to raise further funds. G Batty thanked the hard working Village Hall Committee for all they are doing and stated how lucky the Village was as a result.

b. **District Council Report**

District Cllr Isabelle Reece attended and reported that the new District Council administration have not as yet agreed priorities. The June Meeting was cancelled. Next Meeting was scheduled for 18th July. Joint Local Plan sessions are taking place on Part 1 of the Plan. Various National Grid Consultation Events are taking place on the East Anglia proposals. Our District Cllr is attending various training sessions including on Planning Enforcement. Delays with bin emptying has been addressed. She is looking into the emergency closure of Boxted Mill bridge as it is causing great concern locally. In relation to the missing sign at the entrance to Church Lane from the High Street, it was agreed for D Harris to send a picture to I Reece. She is attending coffee mornings to engage regarding local matters.

c. **County Council Report**

County Cllr J Finch attended and his report, issued in advance, covered that the County Council is to consider the provision of library services for when the current contract ends. A Public Consultation will be used to inform requirements and future development of the new service. A decision has been taken to bring the Fire and Rescue Service control centre back to Suffolk. The shared centre with Cambridgeshire and Peterborough has run into difficulties. Better broadband is planned for rural Suffolk properties. Ancestry have been appointed to help digitise Suffolk's popular family and local history sources at Suffolk Archives. Virtual Fostering and Adoption sessions continue. J Finch updated the meeting with progress regarding traffic calming with Vehicle Activated Signage and Stoke Road may be an appropriate location. Horkesley Road is proving more difficult, however, he'll keep us posted. Flood prevention investigation continues with discussions with interested parties and land owners. However, gravel hill is challenging as the run off seems to predominantly flow down the road. It was agreed for J Finch to re-send the "No HGV" signage proposed for the Crawley Road area. This will be circulated for a decision to be made *this was done and instructions given. D Harris reminded regarding the lit bollards at the A134 junction. It was agreed to report the need for weedkilling on the Heights after D Harris provides specific instructions to avoid the holly hocks - **Action D Harris and Clerk**. D Harris agreed to provide the exact location for the dog bin to be installed at the Village Hall Car Park - **Action D Harris and Clerk**.

Parish Council Meeting

1. Chairmanship of Parish Council

R Thorogood had just resigned as the Parish Council Chairman. He continues as Councillor. It was resolved for L Erith to take over the Chairmanship with immediate effect. She duly completed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office as Chairman. L Erith then Chaired the Meeting.

followed by Apologies: which were received and accepted from R Thorogood, P Fuller and S Treharne.

2. Approval of Minutes of 14th June Meeting: These were accepted as a true record.

3. Declarations of Interest by Councillors : Nothing was declared.

4. **Finance Report:**

i) The Chairman read from the bank balances as at 3rd July 2023 as £1000 in the Current Account, £80526.84 in the linked Account and £34794.36 in the Capital Investment Account making a total of £116321.20.

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

Funds Transfer	Mortimer Contracts Ltd	£6472.80	Litter, OpenSp/Grass/Rec/Allot
Funds Transfer	Employment Costs totalled	£1363.60	Salary, NI and Pension
Funds Transfer	St James Church Hall	£16.00	Hall hire

iii) The **CIL Return 2022/23** had been circulated and **was duly approved**.

iv) The 3 quotes for a Memorial Bench had been circulated ahead of the meeting by D Harris. It was **resolved to authorise the oak bench quote - Action D Harris and Clerk**.

v) Any other urgent Finance Matters - Nothing was raised.

5. **Planning**

1. Decisions from the Planning Authority:-

- Planning Permission was granted for outline permission for continued occupation of dwelling without compliance with Agricultural Occupancy Condition at Nutley Grange, Bures Road - **DC/23/01964**.
- The condition in relation to details of the staircase balustrade was approved for the White Hart, 11 High Street - **DC/23/02665**.
- The conditions for ground floor coverings and eaves and verges were approved at the White Hart, 11 High Street - **DC/23/02274**.

2. 82 Bear Street - Erection of a detached single storey garden room to the south of the property - **DC/23/02718**. The Parish Council had **No Objections** between meetings.

3. Bridge House, Horkesley Road - Application to carry out works to protected trees **DC/23/03006**. The Tree Warden had investigated and recommends No Objections. The Parish Council agreed No Objections.

4. **Any other urgent Planning matters** - A response had been received and circulated to the Parish Council regarding our queries with the Decision on the site adjacent to Paddock Grove. Members had read this response carefully and agreed to keep a close eye on developments at this site. It was repeated that Planning Training for the full Council would be useful. I Reece agreed to provide training slides for the Clerk to Circulate to full Council - **Action I Reece and Clerk**.

6. **Highways:** The follow up to the speed calming site meeting had been explained by J Finch in the first section of the meeting. O Brown volunteered to liaise with M Hunter regarding litter picks - **Action O Brown**. D Harris will provide precise locations to the Clerk for the weed spraying request to Public Realms - **Action D Harris**. Members are to review the paper provided by M Hunter on the 20 mph proposal and agreed to confirm to the Clerk if this should form a future Agenda item - **Action All**.

7. **Street Lighting:** There was nothing to report.

8. **Recreation and Open Spaces:** Caley Green progress report from working group and installation of new Play Equipment. The new play equipment was installed and all were really pleased with the results. A minor issue with the removal of the rural benches is being considered. Signage is still needed. The maintenance list is being worked through. The driveway is in need of surfacing repair and it was agreed to report to the Diocesan Surveyor - **Action Clerk**. The branch damaged in the high winds was still hanging down on Caley Green. The owners agreed to inspect the afternoon it was reported. Members agreed to check and advise the Clerk the current position so a chase up can be made to the owners - the County Council - if necessary - **Action All and Clerk**.

9. **Village Hall:** including roof project. The Chair from the Village Hall Committee had attended to give an update in the Public Forum. Fund raising and grant applications are on-going. It was agreed to locate a dog bin in the Village Hall Car Park - **Action D Harris and Clerk**.

10. **Community Council:** The Minutes are regularly circulated and there was nothing to report.
11. **Allotments:**- update from the sub-committee. The judging of the Best Kept Allotments took place and the results were awaited. The certificates and cheques were to be organised between meetings ahead of the flower show - **Action Allotment Sub Committee and Clerk.**
12. **Burial Ground:** The Burial Sub Committee was confirmed as L Erith (Chairman) and O Brown. They will meet M George regarding the handover of responsibilities. D Harris will continue on the Jane Walker Memorial project group with M George.
13. **Footpaths:** It was noted there has been a change in contractor which has brought about a delay with the schedule of footpath cutting this year. All agreed to report any specific issues to the Footpath Warden as usual. One item was to be discussed after the Meeting.
14. **Correspondence:** The correspondence report had been circulated ahead of the meeting. The items had been picked up under the various agenda items.

The meeting closed at **8.39 pm.**