

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF
ALDRINGHAM-CUM-THORPE
HELD ON 24TH NOVEMBER 2014
THE TOWER ROOM, THORPENESS**

MINUTES

PRESENT:

**MR M CHANDLER, MRS M JONES, MR D. MAYHEW, MR M PILCHER
& MR S. SQUIRRELL**

IN ATTENDANCE:

SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL COUNCILLOR - RICHARD SMITH

PARISHIONERS FORUM – 10 MINUTE ALLOCATION

No Parishioners present

1. APOLOGIES

Mr E. Atkinson, Ms L Mangeot, Mrs P McLardy, PCSO Terry Barrow & S.C.D.C. Councillors T. J. Haworth-Culf & Marianne Fellowes

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None

3. MINUTES

Minutes of the 13th October 2014 meeting were signed as a true record by the Chairman.

4. REPORTS

a) SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL COUNCILLOR RICHARD SMITH

Richard reported that they are now working on the draft budget for 2015/16 and that each year savings are becoming much harder to make.

Highway matters – Locations to be decided for the new flashing speed signs which are proposed to be installed the early part of next year.

ACTION: SCC & Councillor Richard Smith

SUFFOLK COASTAL DISTRICT COUNCIL- COUNCILLOR – T. J. Haworth-Culf

The Business Bulletin

Local people are being asked to have their say on the plans which will help fund infrastructure within Suffolk Coastal.

Suffolk Coastal District Councils new quarterly Business Bulletin email service will keep you informed of the latest news and events that are relevant to you and your business. Working with our partners in government, local government and business, we are exposed to a wealth of information that can help your business prosper. Just follow the link to sign-up on our website.

<https://eastsuffolk.letshehelpyou.co.uk>

As well as Gateway to Homechoice Suffolk Coastal District Council and Waveney DC have formed a partnership and teamed up with an innovative website to offer residents a new way of searching for affordable rented accommodation in the private sector. It's free, quick and easy to use and shows up-to-date list of properties available to rent.

This free service for landlords and anyone searching for rental property – whether in receipt of LHA or not. Letshehelpyou aims to keep the rental market moving and reduce levels of empty properties and evictions. Use the LHA calculator to find out what your local housing allowance* will be in any area, and then view properties where the rent matches your benefit.

There is lots of information available on the site and a comprehensive FAQ list for tenants and landlords.

*Please note: The LHA Calculator provides an indication of the maximum allowance you could receive. You should seek advice from your local housing benefits office for confirmation of your Local Housing allowance before you sign a rental contract.

Information supporting future housing published

Suffolk Coastal published its Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) on the 3rd November – which is the first step towards meeting the District's identified future housing needs.

This evidence-based document provides important information to help with the preparation of the Local Plan documents that will allocate housing land for future development through to 2027 (in line with Suffolk Coastal's Local Plan/Core Strategy, which was adopted in 2013). The SHLAA is required by Government to inform the preparation of Local Plan documents and the Suffolk Coastal's annually updated 5-year housing land supply position.

Along with sites identified by the Council, developers, landowners and others have submitted around 700 sites for assessment. This process looks at the suitability, availability and the likely economic viability of land to meet the identified need for housing during the life of the plan (until 2027).

To view Suffolk Coastal District Council SHLAA go to www.suffolkcoastal.gov.uk/planning/shlaa

New recycling service comes to the County

A new service, designed to make recycling even easier, has gone live, giving Suffolk residents the chance to recycle even more at home. The new enhanced household recycling service means that residents can now put their food and drink cartons, aerosol cans, books and metal pots, pans and trays into their recycling bin.

From Monday 3rd November these new materials will be collected alongside the usual items; paper, card, cans, foil and plastic bottles, tubs and trays. Residents can even recycle textiles in their recycling bin as long as they are in the special bags provided by the Council.

www.suffolkrecycle.info

Get involved with litter picking

Volunteers who take part in litter picks in their local area are performing invaluable work, both for their communities and the environment. To support the efforts of the volunteers, Waveney Norse and Suffolk Coastal Services are keen to lend litter-picking equipment, such as litter pick sticks, disposable gloves and collection sacks.

They will also arrange to collect and dispose of the collected litter at the end of the litter pick event. Please call 01394 444000.

Walking Guides to download

<http://www.suffolkcoastalandheaths.org/publications/walking-guides-and-leaflets/explorer-guides/>

The Explorer walking guides have been developed as part of the **BALANCE** project, and are designed to encourage people to explore and enjoy the AONB on foot.

Women's Cycling tour 2015

Suffolk Coastal are excited to be announcing that we are hoping to hold the Stage one finish of the 2015 Women's Tour, and although the router is still to be finalised, we are anticipating the finish to be in Aldeburgh via Thorpeness.

b) LOCAL POLICE – PCSO Terry Barrow

In October 2014 there were 2 crimes reported in Aldringham, compared to 1 reported for the same period 2013. There was 1 crime reported in Thorpeness, compared to 0 reported for the same time period in 2013.

1 x Public nuisance (Common Law) Offender arrested and charged - Detected

1 x Cause harassment/alarm/distress Offender arrested. No further action

1 x GBH serious wound without intent, the investigation is ongoing.

c) COASTAL PROTECTION

Mike Chandler reported that the residents have applied for planning consent for the private work which they have carried out.

d) SIZEWELL POWER STATIONS

On the 13th November Mrs Maureen Jones attended the SSG meeting and she reported on issues from the meeting. An Emergency Plan leaflet had been prepared which was intended to be delivered to households, but it was decided that there needed to be some changes to the wording and the document will require a rewrite.

e) PROPOSED NO WAITING RESTRICTIONS

Chairman absent from the meeting, nothing further to report.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

A. PARISH ACTIONS

Mike Chandler, David Mayhew and Eric Atkinson have been working on and prepared a draft Aldringham-cum-Thorpe – Neighbourhood Plan.

B) GROUP ACTIONS

Mrs Maureen Carr reported that last week the Heritage Group had met and they are planning and discussing the information boards for the village.

6. PLANNING

DC/14/3244/FUL Change of use of 10 touring caravan pitches to static pitches, Beach View Holiday Park, Sizewell Hall Road, Aldringham-cum-Thorpe, support this application.

DC/14/3451/TCA 4 The Benthills, Thorpeness To fell pine in front garden. Tree suffering sea spray and wind burn damage. Coastal tolerant species to be re-planted, support this application.

DC/14/3572/TPO T1 Sycamore fell too close to the building. T2 Beech, raise crown to 4.5m for vehicular access. T3-T5 Sycamore, fell suppressed and poor form. T6 small dying birch T7 Oak remove deadwood, support this application.

Aldringham Court Nursing Home, Aldeburgh Road, Aldringham

DC/14/3315/TCA To reduce Poplar tree by 50% to reduce risk of storm damage.

22 Lakeside Avenue, Thorpeness, support this application.

7. FINANCE

BUSINESS SAVER ACCOUNT	£18444.41
COMMUNITY ACCOUNT	£1094.29
TO PAY	
W. H. Smith	£20.00
Vouchers – Website	£75.00
Clerks Salary £505 + £5.00 travel + £16.10 Postage/telephone	£526.10
Leiston Library Steering Committee	£75.00
Disability Advice Service	£85.00
Transfer £500.00 from BSA to CA	
All agreed – proposed Mr Mayhew, seconded Mr Pilcher	

8. CORRESPONDENCE AND NEW ITEMS

A. Parish Council Meeting Dates for 2015 were distributed.

B. The Christmas Tree for Aldringham is to be delivered the early part of next week. Carols around the tree on Mill Hill, Aldringham will be held on Monday 15th December at 6.00 p.m.

DISTRIBUTION

Suffolk View

9. COUNCILLORS ROUNDUP

10. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING - MONDAY 5TH JANUARY 2015

Signed

CHAIRMAN

5TH JANUARY 2015