

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
ALDRINGHAM-CUM-THORPE
HELD ON 9TH JANUARY 2017
THE TOWER ROOM
THORPENESS
MINUTES**

**PRESENT: MRS M. JONES, MR D. MAYHEW, MRS P MCLARDY, MR M STURMEY,
MR S. SQUIRRELL & MR A WILLIAMS**

PARISHIONERS FORUM – 10 MINUTE ALLOCATION

No parishioners present

1. APOLOGIES

MR E. ATKINSON & SCDC COUNCILLOR T. J. HAWORTH-CULF

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Mr A Williams discussion on planning application DC/16/5254/FUL Bay Tree House, Aldeburgh Road, Aldringham.

3. MINUTES

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 28th November 2016 were signed as a true record by the Chairman.

4. REPORTS

a) SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL – COUNCILLOR RICHARD SMITH

Richard reported that they have been working on the County Council's 2017/18 budget. They plan to spend £472 million in the next financial year on providing services for the people in Suffolk. The main two areas of expenditure are looking after frail elderly people and safe guarding young people at risk.

He has been busy attending numerous meetings relating to the EDF Sizewell C Stage 2 Consultation.

b) SUFFOLK COASTAL DISTRICT COUNCIL – COUNCILLORS T.J. HAWORTH & MAUREEN JONES

This month we had/will have a number of key meetings taking place; Cabinet on Tuesday 3rd January, Simultaneous Cabinet with Waveney District Council on Monday 23rd January, full Council on Thursday 26th and Special Cabinet on 31st January 2017.

Suffolk Coastal is already the strongest economy in Suffolk. Our Business Plan and Medium Team Financial Strategy for the next four years focus on how we, as a Council, can invest in our local communities to enable them to flourish. The Council is faced with a steep reduction in the money it gets from Central Government, and, through its partnership working with Waveney District Council, it has also drastically reduced its staffing numbers and spending, while still protecting its frontline services.

We have an ambitious Business Plan to deliver in a challenging financial climate, but we are driving forward on all fronts, such as looking at a merger with Waveney District Council and also moving to more economical new offices. However, we also need to continue to look at other ways of balancing the books by working smarter, using our resources more effectively and generating more income from our services, allowing us to maintain services and protect the tax payer from excessive increases in Council Tax.

There will be a special Cabinet Meeting on 31st January to determine the Council's response to the Sizewell C Stage 2 public consultation. The stage 2 Consultation runs **until 3rd**

February 2017 and feedback can be submitted online at

<http://sizewell.edfenergyconsultation.info/>

Beach Hut Consultation

The Consultation asking the public to consider how beach hut services should be managed in the district has been launched, the six week consultation, running from 17th February 2017 we are asking for as many of you as possible to take part in this consultation.

- You can have your say online <http://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/features/have-your-say-on-beach-huts/>
- Suffolk Coastal Beach Hut review financial background <http://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/assets/News/SCDC-Beach-Hut-Review-Financial-Background.pdf>

All responses need to be completed and returned by **5pm on Friday 17th February 2017**

If you would like support completing responses call Customer Services **01394 383789**

Car Park Improvements – The work to improve Melton Riverside Car Park is hoped to be completed by schedule. The improvement works to the Thorpe Road Car Park in Aldeburgh are planned to begin on 16th January 2017.

Cold Weather – Can we just remind and ask people to check on neighbours during the cold weather and also allow extra time driving in cold conditions.

c) SIZEWELL POWER STATIONS

SIZEWELL C

On 23rd November EDF launched Sizewell C Stage 2 Consultation and formal response must be received by the deadline on 3rd February 2017. Councillors are due to meet this coming Thursday 12th January 2017 with two representatives from Planning England.

ACTION: Parish Councillors & Planning
England Representatives

c) NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Next group meeting is scheduled to be held on Monday 20th February 2017

ACTION: Neighbourhood Plan Group

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

A. PARISH ACTIONS

1) The Clerk asked if the Parish Council would fund the cost of providing some metal stakes to use with the orange fencing which her husband is willing to give and erect. For sometime a parishioner has expressed his concerns on how dangerous it is on the cliff top especially one particular spot where it is very open and exposed, and if anyone was to go near the edge and fall they would incur a considerable drop. He has had warning signs made and

these have been positioned near the area. The fencing is being placed as a safety measure to make the public aware that the area beyond is extremely dangerous. Permission has been granted from the landowner and the plastic fencing is being erected tomorrow.

2) The notice board on the Green Mill Hill has totally fallen down and is no longer functional, the Clerk will look into ordering a replacement.

3) Removal of BT Payphone – Junction Aldringham Lane, Aldringham. The consultation period with BT closed on 8th January 2017 and should S.C.D.C., agree the removal of the payphone facility, BT will offer the Parish Council the opportunity to adopt the kiosk. The Clerk has contacted Mr Blackmore at S.C.D.C. and explained that the Parish Council if offered would be interested in adopting this.

ACTION: SCDC/BT

B) GROUP ACTIONS

1) Heritage Group

Land on Car Park nothing further to report.

ACTION: SCDC, Parish Council
Heritage Group

2) Sports Pavilion

No actions to report on the transfer of assets from the Trustees.

6. PLANNING

DC/16/5225/FUL Charybdis, Aldeburgh Road, Aldringham

Extension to rear existing bungalow to incorporate a new dining room and additional bedroom, support this application.

DC/16/5254/FUL Bay Tree House, Aldeburgh Road, Aldringham

Erection of first floor extension, support this application.

DC/16/5310/OUT 5 Coastguards, Thorpeness Outline Application – Redevelopment of existing garage to create a C3(a) Dwelling House, do not support this application.

DC/16/4878/CLE 1 Coastguards, Thorpeness Lawful Development Certificate

Carrying out of works approved under planning permission reference DC/13/3224/FUL
Excavation of foundation, inspection by Building Control and pouring of concrete foundation. Length of foundation 6.425m – supported this application

7. FINANCE

BUSINESS SAVER ACCOUNT	£21967.14
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COMMUNITY ACCOUNT	£826.20
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TO PAY

The Ogilvie Pavilion & Sports Ground – Room Hire	£105.00
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Barnes Rosher £6.64 + £1.33 VAT =	£7.97
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Transfer £500.00 from BPA to CA

The 2017/18 budget figures were agreed
with no increase made on Annual Precept
this will remain at £7000.00.

All agreed Mrs McLardy seconded Mr Squirrel

8. NEW ITEMS & CORRESPONDENCE

a) Suffolk County Council Minerals and Waste Local Plan – Issues and Options Consultation
The consultation runs until 5pm on 6th February 2017. This can be viewed Suffolk Minerals & Waste Local Plan – Issues and Options Consultation summary Document.

b) Snape Parish Council are currently exploring more permanent speed indicator signs, but have also discussed with the Suffolk Constabulary purchasing the presence of a police and community support officer (PCSO) to reinforce the speed signs with some level of enforcement and police presence. From contact with other Councils speeding and its impact is a persistent issue raised by local people. If any Council would be interested in sharing the costs for providing a police and community support officer (PCSO) to contact either the Clerk or Mr T Beach tjb4sc@btinternet.com

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9. COUNCILLORS ROUNDUP

10. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING – MONDAY 6TH FEBRUARY 2017

Signed
Chairman

6TH FEBRUARY 2017