

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
ALDRINGHAM-CUM-THORPE  
HELD ON 3<sup>RD</sup> APRIL 2017  
THE TOWER ROOM  
THORPENESS  
MINUTES**

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

**PARISHIONERS FORUM – 10 MINUTE ALLOCATION**

*No parishioners present*

**1. APOLOGIES**

Mrs P McLardy & SCDC Councillor T.J. Haworth-Culf

**2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

None

**3. MINUTES**

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 6th February 2017 were signed as a true record by the Chairman.

**4. REPORTS**

**a) SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL – COUNCILLOR RICHARD SMITH**

Richard came along to say Goodbye to us all as this is the last meeting that he will be attending as our County Councillor and he quoted it had been a pleasure to serve as our County Councillor for the past 7 years.

He is still willing to deal with any problems or concerns that we may have up to the 4<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

The Chairman on behalf of the Parish Council thanked Richard for all the help he has given us with funding, implementation of the 40 mph limit, yellow lines in Thorpeness and various other highway issues etc.

**b) SUFFOLK COASTAL DISTRICT COUNCIL – COUNCILLORS T.J. HAWORTH & MAUREEN JONES**  
Leisure Project Boost – The Deben Leisure Centre redevelopment project in Woodbridge has

been given a major boost by Sport England National Lottery Funding.

Sport England National Lottery Funding awarded £500,000 from their improvement fund to support Suffolk Coastal in improving the Leisure Centre as part of the Council's wider commitment to improve its leisure centre offer and to encourage more people to become fit and active.

Work on Deben Leisure Centre is planned to begin in September 2017 and will last for approximately 10 months. A full closure is required, due to the nature of the site and work being undertaken. It is hoped that works will be completed by Summer 2018

Cycling on the Prom Trial (Felixstowe) – As we approach the summer tourist season, the year-long trial allowing cycling along Felixstowe's Promenade is going well.

But Suffolk Coastal has repeated our appeal for people using the Prom to take extra care, as the shared space become busier.

The trial to allow cycling on the Prom was officially launched in mid-October 2016, when the bylaw which prohibited cycling was lifted to allow cycling for a period of 12 months.

Walking Festival – Continuing on the leisure theme, the 10<sup>th</sup> Suffolk Walking Festival kicks off in May with over 100 walks organised across the county, from Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May to Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June.

Once again, there are walks to suit everybody, including families with pushchairs and young children, wheelchair users, dog owners as well as people who want to try out more advanced types and routes. Many of the walks are also themed to attract specific people's interests such as wildlife, health, history and art. To view the full Walking Festival programme and to book tickets, visit: [www.suffolkwalkingfestival.co.uk](http://www.suffolkwalkingfestival.co.uk)

#### New Electronic Recycling Points

It is now easier for residents in and around Woodbridge and Saxmundham to recycle their electronic waste.

Collection containers for small electrical and electronic appliances have been placed at the Market Place car park in Saxmundham, and the recycling centre behind the Deben Swimming pool in Station Road, Woodbridge.

The new facilities enable residents to deposit waste items such as hairdryers, kettles, toasters, electric clocks, irons, food mixers, DVD players, radios and small electrical hand tools and will be serviced by our partners, Suffolk Coastal Norse.

Electrical and electronic waste can already be recycled at the County Council's Household Waste and Recycling Centres at Leiston, Foxhall and Felixstowe.

#### New Visitor Information Service

In a ground breaking new partnership, Suffolk Coastal has joined with Aldeburgh Cinema to launch a new Visitor Information Service in Aldeburgh.

This will be based from a self-help service area in the foyer of the cinema which will include an interactive terminal for the public to use to access key tourist information websites, with the cinema staff and volunteers on hand to provide assistance to the public.

The new service starts on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017. The Cinema will be open longer hours during the day from 10.00 am – 5–6.00 pm (depending on the time of year).

Support Suffolk's Armed Forces Day: Just to remind you of the Suffolk Armed Forces Day happening on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June. 2017 marks the anniversary of the Dutch attack on Landguard Fort in Felixstowe.

So far Suffolk Coastal have underwritten the event up to £25,000.00 sponsorship the VIP area on the Saturday as well as providing a children's activities area, £13,439.00 has also been provided from Councillor enabling budgets.

If you would like to talk more about how you could be involved, please feel free to give our project officer Paul Grant a ring on 07850 427928 or email: [paul.grant@eastssuffolk.gov.uk](mailto:paul.grant@eastssuffolk.gov.uk)

#### Volunteer Website

There is a new and easy way to volunteer in Suffolk, thanks to a new website.

The website already boasts more than 100 volunteering opportunities, added by local organisations and charities. These range from short-term and one-off roles, to temporary positions and long-term roles.

Enabling Communities Budget increase – We are increasing this year’s Enabling Communities Budgets, giving each of you £6,500 to spend on new or current community projects for 2017/18.

If you have any general queries about how you can spend your funding, contact Wil Gibson on: 01394 444771 or email: [wil.gibson@eastsoffolk.gov.uk](mailto:wil.gibson@eastsoffolk.gov.uk)

Calor Rural Community Fund – Local residents seeking funding for off-grid rural community projects could be eligible to receive a grant of up to £5,000 to help fund schemes that will improve local life.

Projects could be anything from off-grid (i.e. off mains gas) community centres, village halls and sporting venues to youth clubs and scout groups, or they could be initiatives to support the elderly – we’re really open to ideas, big and small!

Entries open on the 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2017, but if you have local residents interested in learning more or to check out the entry criteria they can visit [www.calor.co.uk/communityfund](http://www.calor.co.uk/communityfund) now to register their interest.

## SIZEWELL POWER STATIONS

### SIZEWELL C

Mrs Jones reported on the Sizewell Stakeholders Group meeting and all the information leaflets from the meeting were placed in distribution.

Sizewell C task group reported that 16 parishes in Suffolk used the Planning England Aid when submitting their response to the consultation. 75 individual people had also sent in their comments.

SCDC and SCC have planned further meetings which are being held on 17th July, 9<sup>th</sup> October 2017 and 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018

Hinkley Point - All the work which has been carried out on site can be viewed on YouTube.

### c) NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The steering group have been meeting and are progressing well on the preparation for further consultation within the Parish later in the year.

## 5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

### A. PARISH ACTIONS

- 1) The Memorial Bench on the cliff top Mr Nick Hall purchased in his wife’s memory will soon need to be located further back and he has told us that he is willing to pay for it to be moved.
- 2) Thanks to Eric Atkinson and Alan Williams for all their efforts clearing the dense vegetation on the grass verge along the B1122 from Aldringham Park towards Aldringham House access.
- 3) Village Green, Aldringham – A number of wooden posts have become rotten, it was agreed some new ones be purchased. ACTION: The Clerk

### B) GROUP ACTIONS

- 1) Heritage Group

Tomorrow morning the Chairman and Mrs Jones have planned to meet with Mr Tony Rudd from Suffolk Coastal District Council to discuss the lease agreement for Fisherman's Hut and land required for the proposed Visitors Centre.

ACTION: SCDC, Chairman & Councillor Jones

## 2) Sports Pavilion

A meeting is scheduled for the 4<sup>th</sup> April where all the necessary documents should be signed by the trustees and then the pavilion and assets can be handed over to the new Charity.

ACTION: The Trustees

3) The Annual Beach/Village Clean is planned to be held on Good Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April commencing 10.30 am at Dolphin Inn.

## 6. PLANNING

Replies sent prior to this meeting discussed following Annual Parish Meeting

DC/17/0859/FUL Seadune, 16 North End Avenue, Thorpeness

Conversion and change of use of redundant domestic garage to play room and store.

A cat slide roof overhang to the north east side has been added to provide bin storage for three bins and cycle store for 4 bikes, support this application.

DC/17/0354/FUL 5 The Haven, Thorpeness

Rear extensions and internal alterations, including improving levels of insulation, support this application

DC/17/0676/FUL 5 Westgate, Thorpeness

Construction of a porch to front elevation, support this application.

DC/5432/VOC 3 The Coastguards, Thorpeness

Variation of Condition 2 on application DC/16/3672/FUL – Proposed alterations and roof extension – To allow an obscure view of the coastline without affecting the privacy of the neighbouring properties, do not support this application.

DC/17/0866/VOC Seadune, 16 North End Avenue, Thorpeness

Landscape Revision as a Variation of Condition in respect of the 2014/2016 VOC consent, support this application.

DC/17/1066/FUL Heronsmead, 3 Lakeside Avenue, Thorpeness

Erection of Summer House, support this application.

DC/17/0966/FUL Pine Cottage, Stonehouse, Aldringham

Replacement Annex, do not support this application.

## 7. FINANCE

BUSINESS SAVER ACCOUNT	£19969.78
COMMUNITY ACCOUNT	£761.57
TO PAY	
(S. Tilbrook) Ink Cartridges	£12.00
Screwbolt Fixing Hi-vis Vests	
£43.20 + £8.64 VAT =	£51.84
£18.90 + £3.78 VAT =	£22.68
Leiston Press	£221.00

Suffolk Preservation Society Subscription	£30.00
Orwell Housing Association	£40.00
Transfer £1000.00 from BPA to CA	
All agreed proposed Mr Squirrell and seconded Mr Sturmev	

## **8. NEW ITEMS & CORRESPONDENCE**

### **DISTRIBUTION**

The Local Councillor  
Glasdon  
Broxap  
Clerks and Councillors Direct  
LCR

## **9. COUNCILLORS ROUNDUP**

## **10. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING – MONDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2017**

**Signed**  
**Chairman**

**8<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2017**