

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
ALDRINGHAM-CUM-THORPE  
HELD ON 19<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2017  
OGILVIE PAVILION & SPORTS GROUND  
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 & SCC Councillor Russ Rainger

**2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST – None**

**3. MINUTES**

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017 were signed as a true record by the Chairman.

**4. REPORTS**

**a) SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL – COUNCILLOR RUSS RIANGER**

Russ sent his apologies.

**b) SUFFOLK COASTAL DISTRICT COUNCIL – COUNCILLORS T.J. HAWORTH & MAUREEN JONES**  
May we take this opportunity to convey our thoughts and prayers to the family and friends of Tony Woods, he did so much for the communities around the area and will be sadly missed.

Statement following London Bridge terror attack

With the tragic events that took place in London and Manchester recently, Suffolk Constabulary's Chief Constable has moved to reassure local residents and visitors that although the county remains safe, the approach to policing will be continuously reviewed to help mitigate any potential further threats.

Latest guidance on recognising the terrorist threat and remaining vigilant can be accessed via the National Counter Terrorism Security Office website.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/national-counter-terrorism-security-office>

To report any suspicious activity or behaviour call **0800 739 321** or in an emergency **999**.

Countdown to the Tour

There are 80 days left to the start of the OVO Energy Tour of Britain, which is coming to Suffolk Coastal Stage One of the Tour starts in Edinburgh on Sunday 3rd September, with Suffolk gearing up for the arrival of Stage Six on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September. Stage Six is being

held entirely within Suffolk, starting from Newmarket and travelling east to finish in Aldeburgh. Suffolk Coastal is hosting the Stage Finish on Aldeburgh's High Street.

#### Enabling Broadband Project

The Suffolk Better Broadband Programme aims to provide superfast fibre broadband coverage across Suffolk. However, it is now recognised there is likely to be 2-3% of properties across Suffolk that will not have access to reasonable broadband services, when the existing programme ends in mid 2020. In rural areas, the percentage of properties without access is expected to be much higher. The Suffolk Better Broadband Programme Project continues to work with the government to develop a policy which completes the rollout to these 'hardest to reach' communities, which are predominately in rural areas. But, as yet, there are no firm commitments or additional funding agreed. In keeping with Suffolk Coastal Enabling Communities ethos, we are planning to establish an Enabling Broadband Project, to support our communities who are likely to establish an Enabling Broadband Project, to support our communities who are likely to be among the 2-3% left without access to an affordable high speed broadband service.

#### Operation Camouflage

Once again we are running this successful and popular event for those 8-16 years old that live or go school in Suffolk Coastal District Council. They must be able to attend all days 8<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> August 2017 at Rock Barracks, Sutton Heath, £80.00 per child. Please book by 10.07.17 or visit [www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/operayion-camourflage](http://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/operayion-camourflage) or call 01394 444652

#### Could you be a school governor?

Suffolk County Council has launched a campaign to recruit school governors.

There are currently 450 governor vacancies across Suffolk; this equates to 10% of the governing population.

The campaign is looking to recruit Suffolk residents to 'put their skills into Suffolk schools' to benefit the lives of children and young people across Suffolk.

To find out more about becoming a governor visit [www.suffolk.gov.uk/governorsuffolk](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/governorsuffolk) or search 'Govern Suffolk Schools'.

To register your interest today you can phone 01743 263972 or email

[governance@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:governance@suffolk.gov.uk)

TJ has been a school governor for many years at APS and has enjoyed it immensely.

#### Enjoy Safe Summer Food

Summer is the perfect chance to enjoy picnics and barbeques with the family and friends however, with over 1 million cases of food poisoning each year in the UK, it's best to be safe.

Find out more at [www.food.gov.uk/safe-summer-food](http://www.food.gov.uk/safe-summer-food)

#### East Suffolk House is officially opened

Suffolk Coastal District Council's new headquarters in Melton were officially opened on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June.

Over 100 guests were present to see the Lord-Lieutenant of Suffolk, Clare Countess of Euston, carryout the opening duties – amid praise for the design of the new building.

All the Staff moved into East Suffolk House in December 2016 and have settled in well to the new open plan working environment.

The Council's old offices in Melton Hill, Woodbridge have been sold, subject to contract, and the site will be used to create much-needed new homes for the town.

By downsizing, Suffolk Coastal aims to significantly reduce its spending on the running costs of its headquarters. The move will save the Council, and the tax payer, an estimated £200.000 a year in running costs, rising to £500.000 a year in the longer term. The total cost for the project has come in under budget at 5.5 million. The cost of land acquisition and building new premises was 3.9 million, which was met from existing resources.

#### Suffolk Coastal elects new Chairman

Suffolk Coastal District Council's new Chairman is Councillor Chris Blundell.

Councillor Blundell who represents the Martlesham Ward will be Chairman for the next 12 months, taking on the post from Councillor Mark Newton.

The new Vice-Chairman of the Council is Councillor Nicky Yeo, who represents the Nacton and Purdis Farm Ward.

#### SIZEWELL POWER STATIONS

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No actions to report.

#### c) NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Not much has progressed since the last meeting.

At the Parish Council Meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2017 the following was discussed and should have been recorded in the Minutes under Neighbourhood Plan: Concerns over affordable housing in areas with a high number of second homes has led to the government allocating money to help solve the problem, of which Suffolk Coastal District Council has been allocated £1.5 m. We have been asked if we would like a feasibility study to be carried out to see if it could be appropriate for our parish, particularly Thorpeness where it may lead to an enabling development that could contribute to maintaining coastal defences. The study would be at no cost and place no obligations upon the parish to accept affordable housing. It was unanimously agreed to accept the offer of a feasibility study.

ACTION: SCDC

Tomorrow Evening (20<sup>th</sup> June 2017) a meeting has been arranged for members of the Neighbourhood Plan Group and Parish Councillors with Debbie Wildridge of Community Land Trust East (CLT East), she is coming to explain and advise what is involved in forming a Community Land Trust.

ACTION: Parish Councillors,  
NPG Members &  
CLT Representative

## **5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

### A. PARISH ACTIONS

- 1) Councillors and Clerk were saddened by the news of Tony Woods passing away, he will be sadly missed in the community. The Chairman reported his funeral service will be this coming Thursday 22nd June, 2.30 pm at Aldringham Church.
- 2) The IMPacts group are continuing to work on clearing the footpaths in the village.

### B) GROUP ACTIONS

#### HERITAGE GROUP

- 1) Fisherman Hut – Mr Richard Owen is drawing up plans for the proposed Heritage Centre.

ACTION: Mr R Owen

## 2) SPORTS PAVILION

The Trustees are due to sign the documents tomorrow in preparation for transferring over the assets.

ACTION: The Trustees

## 6. PLANNING

DC/17/2136/FUL The Old Cottage, Aldeburgh Road, Aldringham

Single storey extension to provide 2 bedrooms with en-suites and new family bathroom and garden room, support this application.

DC/17/2177/FUL 5 Westgate, Thorpeness

Porch to front elevation - support this application.

DC/17/2045/FUL Heron Bank, Aldeburgh Road, Aldringham

Remove part of roof of existing bungalow and add new higher level roof to create sufficient head clearance for a small first floor area (comprising of a bedroom and en-suite) - support this application.

## 7. FINANCE

BUSINESS PREMIER ACCOUNT	£22469.78
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COMMUNITY ACCOUNT	£212.78
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TO PAY

Clerks Salary £516.00 + £5.00 travel + £18.88 postage/

Telephone =	£539.88
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Transfer £1500.00 from BSA to CA

The Annual Return for 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017 was agreed and signed.

All agreed proposed Mr Mayhew, seconded Mr Squirrell

## 8. NEW ITEMS & CORRESPONDENCE

a) Councillors Areas of Responsibility carried over to the next meeting.

## DISTRIBUTION

Suffolk View

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Clerks & Councillors Direct

## 9. COUNCILLORS ROUNDUP

Mrs Jones has received a number of complaints about the amount of vehicles which are parking near the Dolphin Inn and surrounding area.

Concerns have also been raised about the number of large Lorries using Old Homes Road for accessing the construction site.

## 10. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING – MONDAY 29TH JULY 2017

Signed

Chairman

29TH JULY 2017

