

ALDRINGHAM-CUM-THORPE PARISH COUNCIL
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
THE OGILVIE PAVILION & SPORTS GROUND
HELD ON 29th NOVEMBER 2021 at 7.00pm
MINUTES

PRESENT:

COUNCILLORS: ERIC ATKINSON, MAUREEN JONES PHILLIPA MCLARDY, ALAN WILLIAMS & WILLIAM SEALE

SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL – COUNCILLOR T. J. HAWORTH-CULF

EAST SUFFOLK COUNCIL – COUNCILLOR RUSS RAINGER & 1 PARISHIONER

PARISHIONERS FORUM

The Annual Carols around the Christmas Tree on Mill Hill, Aldringham is due to be held on Wednesday 8th December commencing at 6 o'clock followed by refreshments at The Parrot. A Parishioner explained last year they printed and handed out Carol Sheets to parishioners and this worked, she asked if the Parish Council would be willing to assist with the cost of printing these. Suffolk County Council - Councillor T.J Haworth-Culf kindly made a donation towards the printing costs.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies received from East Suffolk Council - Councillor Tom Daly

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None

3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Minutes of the last meeting held on 18th October 2021 were agreed and signed as a true record.

4. REPORTS

SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL - COUNCILLOR - T. J HAWORTH-CULF

Councillor T.J. Haworth-Culf reported the Lifeboat Station and Jubilee Hall in Aldeburgh had both recently been broken into, she advised everyone to be aware and to not keep any valuables on their premises.

Covid 19 was back on the Radar with cases rising. All children aged 12-15 years will be offered the vaccine.

She will be sending the full report for December in the next day or so and this will be added to the Parish Council website.

EAST SUFFOLK COUNCIL – DISTRICT COUNCILLOR RUSS RAINGER

Bringing empty properties back in use

We are continuing work to reduce the number of long-term empty properties in East Suffolk as they are a wasted resource, often becoming a target for vandalism, arson, squatters, fly tipping and other criminal behaviour.

The last review was carried out in October 2021, showed that a number of long-term empty properties in East Suffolk have fallen dramatically over the past 12 months, with a 23% decline in properties standing empty for more than 2 years and 50% decline in properties standing empty for more than 6 months.

More information on what help is available if you own a long-term empty property and how to report a property is available at www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/housing/empty-properties/

New beach village gets the go ahead

As part of our ongoing investment in Felixstowe's South Seafront, a new beach village has been given the go ahead to improve the beach hut experience for locals and visitors.

The beach village will include 5 accessible, purpose built pods, 27 traditional huts and a new public convenience block with changing rooms.

Sizewell C Examination: Our response

As part of a six-month Planning Inspectorate examination of the proposals for new nuclear power station at Sizewell, we welcome a range of important revisions to the scheme and a multi-million pound financial package for investment back into local communities.

Read our full response here: www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk.uk/news/sizewell-c-examinaion-east-suffolk-council-response/

Funding boost for innovative new youth project

Earlier this week, cabinet agreed to allocate £101,650 for a two-year pilot project which aims to support young people in rural parts of East Suffolk as they face ongoing challenges from the pandemic.

Delivered by Community Action Suffolk, the Rural Youth Support Project will initially focus on the four most rural Community Partnership areas in East Suffolk, which are within the Beccles, Bungay, Halesworth and villages Community Partnership, the Framlingham, Wickham Market and villages Community Partnership and Melton, Woodbridge and Deben Peninsula Community Partnership.

The aim of the project is to provide support tailored to each community, which will be based on engagement with its young people about their needs. This could include providing more social opportunities with a youth café or youth club, supporting a healthier lifestyle with activity sessions or making services more accessible with carpools.

The draft East Suffolk Cycling and Walking Strategy

Consultation on draft document which provides a district-wide shortlist of cycling and walking infrastructure opportunities. The strategy aims to encourage greater use of sustainable forms of transport, reduce contributions to climate change, support the growth of tourism industry, and to improve the health and wellbeing of residents by ensuring more trips to work, school, leisure, day-to-day errands, or public transport hubs, such as train stations or park and ride sites, are accessible by bike or on foot.

People can have their say on the consultation until 10th January at

<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/cbc57e4a9cc24e4e7d174fb34b1bf0e>

5. PARISH & GROUP ACTIONS

1) Heritage Hut

A draft Memorandum of Understanding between Aldringham-cum-Thorpe Parish Council and Thorpeness & Aldringham Heritage Group has been drafted up, the members of the Heritage Group will examine and report back.

ACTION: Heritage Group &
ACTPC

2) Pavilion & Sports Ground

The new Defibrillator at the Pavilion has now been commissioned and is up and running. Works to improve the entrance and driveway are planned for early 2022.

3) Emergency Works Thorpeness

Coastal Partnership East – All the Emergency Works carried out on the beach is now complete.

4) The two very large and dangerous potholes in Church Road, Thorpeness were reported to Suffolk County Council some months ago and with no action taken. Recently a visitor damaged his car in one the potholes, he also reported this to highways and was advised it was not their responsibility to maintain the road as this is un-adopted. Church Road is privately owned and the owner will be required to have these repaired.

6. PLANNING

Viewed and replies submitted to East Suffolk Council

DC/21/4416/FUL

Mission Hall, Aldeburgh Road, Thorpeness

Conversion and extension to detached garage to provide annexe accommodation ancillary to dwelling house - **Support**

DC/21/4530/FUL

Crossing Cottage, The Fens, Aldringham

Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement dwelling and garage - **Support**

DC/21/4391/FUL

Pine Cottage, Stone House Aldringham

Demolition and replacement of existing dilapidated timber frame building forming part of the property, known as the summer house. The new proposed building shall be used for incidental purposes to Pine Cottage including use as a home office – **Support** this application providing the size and use of the new building remains the same as the existing building.

DC/21/4656/TCA

12A Uplands Road, Thorpeness

Holly Tree. Neighbour complains size of tree is too dominant and requests reduction to 2 metre height. However leaf growth from the main trunk is mainly from branches above the height and this would leave almost a bare trunk plus side shoots which have rooted from descending branches. We therefore propose removal of whole tree.

Would prefer the tree to be cut back rather than removed completely. If removed would like a replacement tree planted in the same space.

DC/21/4790/TCA

The Bays, 5 Lakeside Avenue, Thorpeness

Sycamore in front garden of address – up to 30% crown reduction to reduce shading and neighbour overhang – **Support**

Draft Sustainable Construction Supplementary Planning Document

Draft Affordable Housing Supplementary

& Draft Cycling and Walking Strategy

7. FINANCE

BUSINESS PREMIUM ACCOUNT

£25042.81

COMMUNITY ACCOUNT

£105,492.83*

*includes CIL payment £38103.52

TO PAY

Clerks Salary £515.00 = £5.00 travel + £2.64 postage	£523.64
Gift Voucher for Internal Audit	£20.00
Stephenson Christmas Tree £165.00 + £33.00 VAT =	£198.00
Annual Zoom Subscription	£143.88
Coastal Building Supplies £30.00 + £6.00 VAT =	£36.00
Screwbolt Fixing Ltd	£4.17
ESE Grit Bin £132.30 + £26.46 =	£158.76
Agreed – proposed Councillor Jones, seconded Councillor Atkinson	
DONATION	
Dentaid	£200.00
Proposed Councillor Atkinson, seconded Councillor Jones	

8. NEW ITEMS & CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Dates for Parish Council Meetings 2022 were distributed.
- b) Marion Wells a volunteer for Suffolk Coast & Heaths advises us Galloper Wind Farm has granted them nearly £3000 for a project titled Leiston Loves Swift (which includes Aldringham & Thorpeness). The UK Swift population has declined by 45% in the last 20 years. The two main reasons are habitat loss and lack of insect food. Swifts love to nest in the eaves of buildings and they like to live in family communities close to other family members. As we repair and restore and rebuild houses we leave less and less spaces for the swifts to make their homes. Swifts like to return to the same nesting site every year. If you would be interested in providing nesting homes for these brief and fabulous visitors to our area please contact: Alex Moore da Luz/ Nature Recovery Officer schaonb@suffolk.gov.uk
- c) Consultation on Draft Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Charging Schedule and Draft East Suffolk CIL Instalment Policy
The Council has prepared a Draft East Suffolk CIL Charging Schedules which will, when 'adopted', replace the existing two separate CIL Charging Schedules for the former Suffolk Coastal and the former Waveney areas). To view and respond to the consultation material, including supporting information visit www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/planning-policy-consultations
- d) East Suffolk Council – Invitation to take part in East Suffolk Council's Treebilee Project 2022 heralds a year-long Platinum Jubilee celebration throughout the United Kingdom. A major part of the celebration is the creation of living and lasting memorials, courtesy of a project launched by HRH Prince Charles, affectionately called 'Treebilee' where people across the UK are being urged to plant trees to mark this special occasion. They have purchased 200 English Oak trees to donate to Town and Parish Councils to plant and nurture. The Clerk will register our interest with a view to planting one in Aldringham.

9. COUNCILLORS ROUNDUP

- 1) Councillor McLardy asked for any items for the December Newsletter.

10. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING – 10TH JANUARY 2022

Signed

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