

ALDRINGHAM CUM THORPE PARISH COUNCIL
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
THE OGILVIE PAVILION & SPORTS GROUND
HELD ON 13th February 2023
MINUTES

PRESENT:

**COUNCILLORS ERIC ATKINSON, MAUREEN JONES, SARA PAULLEY, WILLIAM SEALE
& TONY WHEELER**
EAST SUFFOLK COUNCIL COUNCILLOR RUSS RAINGER & 6 PARISHIONERS

PARISHIONERS FORUM

*Parishioners for discussion on the Planning Application for Crossing Cottage, Aldringham
Parishioner commenting on SPR and other Energy Projects.*

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies received from Councillors Caroline Donsworth, Philippa McLardy & Suffolk County Council Councillor T.J Haworth-Culf

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None

3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Minutes of the last meeting held on 9th January 2023 were agreed and signed as a true record by the Chairman.

4. REPORTS

SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL - COUNCILLOR T. J HAWORTH-CULF

Councillor T.J. Haworth-Culf unable to be present this evening.

She had recently took part in an appeal where a Thorpeness family appealed regarding a decision for school transport. Two officers and 4 County Councillors met and walked the proposed route. The walk took over an hour and was actually abandoned as the route was found not to be viable half way. It is always worth appealing a decision like this and help can be given to any family that may be required.

The full February report has been added to the Parish Council website.

EAST SUFFOLK COUNCIL – DISTRICT COUNCILLOR RUSS RAINGER

Russ Rainger commented and answered questions on the SPR Wind Farm proposals.

He reported Community Groups, organisations, Town and Parish Councils can apply for a new Community Pantries Grant which will help to provide affordable food to East Suffolk residents in need.

The pantries will provide a welcoming space, similar to a shop, where people can pay a subscription of less than £5.00 per week and receive food worth at least £15.00.

Grants of up to £4,500.00 are available and applications close on 15th March 2023.

Visit the East Suffolk Council website for details.

East Suffolk Council have launched the blooms bulb planting scheme for voluntary and community groups. Join the campaign by applying for bundles of 500 narcissus bulbs to plant locally in time for next spring.

Complete the application by 31st May 2023.

The Clerk will register to join the scheme.

5. PARISH & GROUP ACTIONS

GROUP ACTIONS

1) Heritage Centre

The Heritage Group have been given a new date for Wednesday 8th March 2023 to collect their Community Award from East Suffolk Council Quality Places Awards 2022.

ACTION: Heritage Group
Members

PARISH ACTIONS

6. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Councillor Atkinson updated on the meetings held with Sizewell Estates team and Laura Mundy East Suffolk Council.

The Steering Group are planning to meet on 20th February via zoom to discuss the draft objectives, policies headings and the next steps on moving the plan forward.

AECOM Housing Needs Document and the Community Action Suffolk Housing Needs Survey needs further discussion before a decision is made.

ACTION: NPG

7. ENERGY PROJECTS

Councillor Seale has contacted Naomi Goold Energy Projects Manager at East Suffolk Council and asked if it would be possible for Aldringham-cum-Thorpe Parish Council to be included in all Energy Projects updates that are sent to other Councils.

The reply received mentioned the update is something provided on behalf of Cllr Rivett which was a matter specifically agreed with Friston Parish Council. There is a concern that agreeing to share with Aldringham-cum-Thorpe Parish Council could result in other parish and town councils requesting the same.

8. PLANNING

The following planning applications have been viewed and response sent ESC

DC/22/4981/FUL

The Shanty, Remembrance Road, Thorpeness

Demolition and subsequent replacement of a single storey dwelling – **Support**

DC/23/0025/VOC

Thorpeness Village Store, Peace Place, Thorpeness

Variation of condition No 2 of DC/21/1349/FUL – Alterations and Refurbishment of Building Related to The Dolphin Inn to provide additional Guest Rooms and Reception – **Support**

DC/22/4719/FUL

Demolition of Existing Lean-to and Erection of new two Storey extension and porch

1 Shellpit Cottage, Thorpe Road, Aldringham – **Support**

DC/23/0079/FUL

Briar Hill, Aldeburgh Road, Aldringham-cum-Thorpe

Single storey rear and single storey side extension – **Support**

DC/23/0371/FUL

Cross Cottage, The Fens, Aldringham

Demolition of Existing Dwelling and Erection of Replacement Dwelling

It was proposed Councillor Atkinson, seconded Councillor Seale the meeting be closed to give the owners and neighbours an opportunity to discuss the planning application.

The meeting was reopened proposed Councillor Atkinson, seconded Councillor Jones

No decision was made left open until nearer the closing date to see if any the members of public wish to have their say on this planning application.

Initial Consultation on the Rural Development Supplementary Planning Document

Consultation Period: Wednesday 1st February to 5 pm Wednesday 15th March 2023

Councillor Wheeler is viewing this online.

9. CIL EXPENDITURE UPDATE

The following actions have been taken on CIL Expenditure Items

Information Boards and leaflets for Aldringham

Waiting for the quotations

Replacement bollards on the Aldringham Green

The quotation for £2806 was accepted and an order has been placed for these.

New sign for Allotment area

Councillor Seale is dealing with the design and price.

Footpath Maintenance & Footpath Marking including circular path Aldringham to Thorpeness

Working Party to discuss the route and what is required.

ACTION: Working Party

New Hedging Aldeburgh Road, Aldringham

Councillor Jones has spoken with landowner and was advised new hedging will be planted in the Spring by a Contractor.

New speed Indicator Sign Post

Councillor Wheeler has dealt with the application process now

waiting response from SCC	ACTION: SCC
Land purchase in Aldringham	
No action to report	
Dog Bins	
A new dog bin is to be located on existing post in Thorpeness	
Bus Shelter refurbishment (Sizewell)	
Waiting for the Contractor to start work on the shelter	
	ACTION: Contractor
Bench by Oak Tree Thorpeness	
The area requires the vegetation cut back and tidied up.	
	ACTION: Working Party
New bus shelter near Aldringham Court	
Councillor Atkinson to the Manager at Aldringham Court	
about the location etc.,	ACTION: Councillor Atkinson
Flagpole, Thorpeness	
A working party to clear vegetation around flagpole	
	ACTION: Working Party

An estimate had been provided from Garden and Tree Services.

It was agreed not to proceed with any of the estimated works as CIL funding could not be used for this.

10. FINANCE

BUSINESS PREMIUM ACCOUNT	£33,275.15
COMMUNITY ACCOUNT	£100,435.27
TO PAY	
CommuniCorp Commemorative Mugs	£295.20
NBB Recycled Furniture Round Posts	£2190.00 + £148.00
delivery + £467.60 VAT =	£2805.60
DONATION	
Leiston Library	£100.00
Proposed Councillor Seale and seconded Councillor Wheeler	
All Agreed – Councillor Atkinson and seconded Councillor Seale	

11. NEW ITEMS & CORRESPONDENCE

a) The Electoral Commission advising you now need ID to vote at a Polling Station on 4th May 2023. No ID you can apply for free Voter ID Find out more at electoralcommission.org.uk/voterID or Call 0800 328 0280

b) District and Parish Elections are being held on Thursday 4th May 2023

c) Local Housing Needs Survey a meeting was held at The Pavilion on 2nd February with Community Action Suffolk and members of the Parish Council.

The survey would take 4 to 5 months to complete and the overall cost would be approximately £3000.00. The Parish Council will discuss this in more detail and make a

decision on whether to go ahead with a Survey at the next Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group meeting.

ACTION: Parish Council

d) Coronation Bank Holiday 6th/7th/8th May events Local police advising if we have any planned events on these dates to contact them with the information on street parties, beach/village parties etc., in order for them to plan and make sure Suffolk Police can provide cover where needed.

e) The Clerk had received email from a volunteer for The Marine Conservation Society and she wishes to carry out a beach clean at Thorpeness with a group of colleagues from Suffolk Building Society. Clerk will advise we support her doing this.

12. COUNCILLORS ROUND-UP

1) Councillor Jones reported she had spoken with the land owner concerning the hedgerow which had been cut back along Goldings Lane, he advised her that he did not have any knowledge on who had carried this out.

2) Councillor Jones advised there is a Craft Fair planned to be held at the Parrot on Saturday 15th April 2023 from 11 – 3 pm.

13. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING – 13th MARCH 2023

Signed

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