**Councillors present**: Cllr. N. Foster (NF) - Chair, Cllr. K. Lucas (KL) (VC), Cllr. S. Foster (SF), & Cllr. L. Osborn (LO), Cllr Geraldine Ciantar & Cllr. Alan Marsh

**Present:**  Clerk, Vicky Bright. Cllr. Brian Harvey – WSC.

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| **Public Forum – LGA 1972, Section 100(1):**Three members of public were in attendance. Thanks were extended to Cllr. S. Foster for the works carried out to tidy the front of the hall, TheStreet. Thanks also given to Cllr. N. Foster and Mrs Foster regarding the Quiz night.  |
| **Accepted Apologies for absence – LGA 1972, Section 85(1) and (2):**Cllr. P. MacKenzie.**Absent:**None. |

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| **22/03/2****22/03/3****22/03/4****(i)****(ii)****22/03/5****(i)****(ii)****(iii)****(iv)****22/03/6****(i)****(ii)****(iii)****(iv)****(v)****(vi)****(vii)****(viii)****22/03/7****(i)****(ii)****(iii)****iv)****22/03/8****(i)****(ii)****22/03/9****(i)****(ii)****(iii)** | **Members Declaration of Interest (for items on the agenda) – LGA 2000 Part III:**Cllr. Osborn & Cllr. N. Foster Item 6.2. Cllr. Brian Harvey declared a Pecuniary interest in Item 6.6 for the record.**To Approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings:****To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 3rd February 2022****Resolved 21/12/3.01**The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 3rd February 2022 were adopted as a true statement and were duly signed by the Chairman of the meeting (NF).**External Forum:****County Councillor Report**Cllr. Lance Stanbury sent apologies.**District Councillor Report**Cllr. Brian Harvey gave the following report to the meeting;* Traffic Surveys are being arranged, Cavenham & Tuddenham are having surveys carried out also.
* The Draft Local Plan goes to Cabinet in May/June, the team will be meeting with local Neighbourhood Plan groups.
* The WSC representation on the Sunnica application is due to be published soon. They are currently working on Local Impact Statements.
* Rough sleeping is a big issue! West Suffolk Council Housing Team can be contacted at dutytorefer@westsuffolk.gov.uk or via the Teams help desk on 01284-7632233. In addition, you can still report via the rough sleeper’s web site at - [www.streetlink.org.uk](http://www.streetlink.org.uk)

**REPORTS:****Play Area Update** – The works have been completed, thanks to N. Foster & S. Foster. The fence posts need replacing (NF to look at this). We are still trying to build up reserves for new surfacing, Clerk to look at bark top-up for next agenda.**Parish Footpaths** - None.**VAS (SID) Data** – It was suggested to leave the SID off for comparison data, but this was refused.**External Meetings** None.**PLANNING:****Sunnica Energy Farm –** The Parish representation has been submitted – See attached. Due to Sunnica giving out the incorrect details on some important bodies, they have extended the registration for those until 1st April.   The action group are trying to contact parties/ groups that will be affected by the scheme i.e., Cycling club, walking groups and are asking for written statements so the QC can use them.  The protest walk was very successful with just under 200 in attendance (thank you Cllr. Lance Stanbury) The press coverage has been fantastic. **Worlington Neighbourhood Plan Update (NF/LO) –** Meeting last week to meet Landscape Consultant, feedback being compiled on the report to be sent to Ian Poole. AR Urbanism the Design Guidance people are attending for a walk-about tomorrow. A meeting with the WSC Local Plan team is being held on 25th April 2022. A feedback event for the village is expected to be held in July/August 2022.**Boundary Change (WSC) – Turnpike Estate (Red Lodge PC)** – The WSC have agreed to consult on the proposal.**Church Lane Enforcement EN/21/0237** – The Clerk is to write again to Sarah Rampley at Enforcement and cc. Cllr. Harvey to raise concerns that conditions are being breached and an inspection is warranted.**Discuss Glass Houses next to Bay Farm**It was confirmed that they do not yet have planning permission as Nature England have a Holding Objection in relation to the Sky Larks nesting. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to the Planning Officer to voice our concerns over the viability of the scheme.**DC/22/0192/HH - single storey rear extension. Location: The Krall, Golf Links Road, Worlington****Resolved 22/03/6.01**No objections.**DC/22/0281/HH - a. two storey front entrance extension b. partial conversion of existing garage to habitable space c. first floor extension over existing garaging and workshop d. change roof finish e. cladding to existing elevations. Location: Fairways, 9 The Paddocks, Worlington****Resolved 22/03/6.02**No objections.**AP/22/0014/STAND – Planning Appeal - (i) Change of use of Gypsy and Traveller residential area providing 12 pitches with concrete pads (ii) 12 no. dayroom/amenity buildings (iii) vehicular access and associated parking spaces (iv) play area (v) post and rail fencing LOCATION: Land Opposite Pen Villa Isleham Road Worlington Suffolk APPLICATION NO: DC/20/1284/FUL**No further comments were submitted. Just to reiterate original concerns and strong objections to application.**PARISH MATTERS:****Hythe Update & Approve Costs –** Cllr. Nick Foster confirmed that RH Landscapes have commenced bi-monthly cuts, the hedges are sprouting. A generous anonymous donation means a new bench is to be purchased and installed. It was agreed to proceed with the works to repair the eroded banks and install steps, following approval by RLCP.**Resolved 22/03/7.01**It was agreed to repair the eroded banks and install steps down to the river entrance at a cost of £225.90.**Discuss Directional Sign Request – 1 Church Lane**The Clerk presented a request from the owners of 1 Church Lane, who ask if the PC have any objections to them placing a small directional sign to their house on the green. It was agreed no objections to this; the Clerk is to advise the resident to apply to WSC.**Update on Staunch Bridge & Kissing Gates (NF)**The Chair confirmed the gates were removed by the landowner a couple of weeks ago, the gate on the bride has also been removed. It was agreed to push for reinstatement of the footpath to 1meter width. There is still no mobility scooter access!**Queens Jubilee Celebrations & Bench Update** Sunday 5th June 2022 at 11am - Village Picnic (Bring your own picnic!) on the Recreation Ground. Tea & Coffee and cake, and Ice Creams available in the Village Hall – Cllr. Marshall offered to fund the Ice Creams. Sports activities and races provided by the Cricket Club, with bouncy castles for Baby, under 7 yrs. and over 7 yrs. Arts & Crafts activities, with ‘Make Your Own Crown’ competition, to be judged by our District Councillor, Brian Harvey. **Resolved 22/03/7.02**The Parish Council agreed to give a donation of £100.The Council are also to purchase a Commemorative Bench for the village (thanks to Cllr. Harvey & Cllr. Stanbury for a Locality Grant) and a tree to go by the Village Sign (thanks to Cllr. Harvey for a Locality Grant).**HIGHWAY ISSUES:****Traffic Calming/Highway Issues –** The Traffic Surveys are proceeding; the Clerk is to write to David Gurney and Cllr. L. Stanbury to advise that the PC funds are ready and available. **Quiet Lanes’ Scheme –** No update.**FINANCE & POLICIES:****Parish Council Bank Reconciliation from List of Payments/Receipts** The Payments and receipts were scrutinised and approved. The Lloyds account balance was confirmed as £26,552.15 as of 4th March 2022**Resolved 22/03/9.01**That the Bank balances and reconciliation of payments & receipts be received and adopted and initialled as such by the Chairman of the meeting (NF).**Parish Council Account Cheques for signing and approval****Resolved 22/03/9.02**It was agreed to approve the payments of the following outstanding invoices and the cheques were approved and signed by Cllr. N. Foster & Cllr. K. Lucas.

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| Zoom Video Inc | Zoom subscription | £431.64 | 000891 |
| SALC | Payroll | £54.00 | 000892 |
| Mrs V Bright | Mileage & postage | £21.99 | 000893 |
| Fornham St Martin PC | Printer toner contribution | £114.02 | 000894 |
| Mrs V Bright | Mileage | £9.94 | 000895 |
| SCC | SID post replacement | £190.00 | 000896 |
| Places4People | Planning Consultant | £1771.20 | 000897 |
| Lucy Batchelor-Wylam | Landscape Appraisal | £4620.00 | 000898 |
| Mr S Foster | Play Area repairs | £109.39 | 000900 |

**Agree Clerks Salary Increase in line with NJC Pay-Scales Increase 2021/22****Resolved 22/03/9.03**It was agreed to increase the Clerks salary from £12.73 per hour to £12.95 per hour, in-line with the 2021-22 NJC pay scales increase. |  |
|  | **Meeting closed at 8:48pm****Signed Date:** **Chair, WPC** |  |