

WORLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Worlington Parish Council
Held on Thursday 29th July 2021 at 7:30pm, in the Village Hall

Councillors present: Cllr. N. Foster (NF) (Chair), Cllr. K. Lucas (KL), Cllr. S. Foster (SF), Cllr. A. Marshall (AM), Cllr. P. MacKenzie (PM) & Cllr. L. Osborn (LO)

Present: Clerk – Vicky Bright. Cllr. Brian Harvey – West Suffolk Council. Cllr. Lance Stanbury - SCC

ITEM	<p><u>Public Forum – LGA 1972, Section 100(1):</u> 7 members of public were in attendance. The issue of the bridge at the Staunch was raised again; it was confirmed that SCC owns The bridge and Cllr. Nick Foster has spoken with the engineer, a temporary fix is arranged In the interim and the Clerk is to chase SCC.</p> <p>The issue of the late night noise on the Sunday and broken glass for the Cricket Club Beer Festival was raised again, the Clerk advised that the Cricket Club have a meeting scheduled For tomorrow night and any residents with concerns should attend and discuss directly with The Cricket Club. The Chair confirmed our lease agreement with the Cricket Club and agreed That we must investigate any complaints or concerns raised. Cllr. Harvey is to look into the Licence and seek advice from WSC Licensing Team.</p> <p>The Chair confirmed that the ‘Hythe’ project will be on the September agenda.</p> <p>The Clerk was asked to write to the landowner at 9 Lark Close asking them to cut back the Hedge.</p>
EM21/07/1	<p><u>Accepted Apologies for absence – LGA 1972, Section 85(1) and (2):</u> None. <u>Absent:</u> None.</p>
EM21/07/2	<p><u>Members Declaration of Interest (for items on the agenda) – LGA 2000 Part III:</u> Cllr. K. Lucas declared an interest in the Cricket Club Beer Festival, as discussed in the Public Forum. Cllr. P. MacKenzie declared a personal interest in Item 3.</p>
EM21/07/3	<p><u>Consider and +/- Agree the £3k Contribution for the Sunnica Landscape Appraisal Fee</u> Following a public consultation by household survey, the Clerk confirmed that following a return of 153 surveys out of 328 delivered, 147 were in favour, with 6 against (<i>Results Appendix 1</i>). <u>Resolved EM21/07/3.01</u> It was agreed to give a contribution of £3K towards the Parish Alliance (Sunnica) Landscape Appraisal Fee.</p>

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Resolved EM21/07/3.02

It was agreed to amend the Budget to use the £3K Earmarked Reserves for the Play Area re-surfacing, for the £3K contribution to the Parish Alliance for the Sunnica Landscape Appraisal Fee. The Budget was amended and signed by the Chair (NF).

The Sunnica submission will now not be submitted until September 2021. The Clerk is to update the website and notice board with the Action Group contact details.

EM21/07/4

Discuss the SCC Proposal of a Footbridge linking West Row/Hythe

The Chair (NF) advised he had been approached by SCC regarding a bridge and footpath to link the Hythe to the West Row to Mildenhall footpath, using S.106 monies available. It would involve improving the bridge and footpath and providing disabled access. It was agreed that the Chair would circulate the brief of the proposed project to all Councillors and they would discuss the pro's & con's via email. It was agreed to clarify who owns the gates (Staunch Cottage or SCC?) and establish if they should be there or not. The Clerk is to confirm the recommended footpath width.

EM21/07/5

Approve and Adopt the Neighbourhood Plan Household Survey

There will be two surveys one for age 16+ and a youth survey (8-16yrs); these will be in a booklet, colour front page and black & white inside. There will be a copy delivered to every household in the last week of August. With completed returns to be posted in the Village Hall letterbox, or collection for those who need it. It will also be available to download online. The deadline for residents to complete will be 15th October 2021, with a reminder in the October Pump. Group 2 are working on identifying green spaces to be included in the Plan to be protected.

Resolved EM21/07/5.01

The two draft surveys (Adult 16+ and Youth 8-16 yrs.) were reviewed by the Full Council and approved.

EM21/07/6
i)

PLANNING:

DC/21/0217/FUL - a. Commercial polyhouses, with office and welfare area; b. hardstanding and loading bays, car parking, reservoir, landscaping and associated works; c. new access. Location: Land East of Newmarket Road, Worlington

Resolved EM21/07/6.01

It was agreed to Object to application DC/21/0217/FUL with the following comments;

'We understand there is a Holding Objection from Highways and we agree that the route of traffic needs addressing, with a suitable traffic management plan, to ensure HGV traffic does not travel through the village; along with mitigation for the eroded road surface on the access to be addressed, as the road is unsuitable already and cannot be suitable for more HGV traffic. There are concerns around the position of the proposed new access and we would like explanation as to why the existing access cannot be used. There are rare plant

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varieties recorded on site, but they have not been identified in the new landscape plan, there are also plans for a pipeline to be installed adjacent to these rare plants, possibly allowing for them to be damaged. We have concerns regarding the reasons and justification for the flood risk level being reduced. The Bird Survey included in the application contradicts other surveys carried out in the area; there are several rare species of bird and mitigation to protect these needs to be addressed. A CIA needs to be carried out, and we believe that this application should be considered, also taking into account the proposed 1500 solar panels that may happen and will also impact on the community, the combined impact if both these proposed developments happen would be detrimental to the character and environment.'

- ii) **DC/21/1316/VAR - Removal of condition five of F/2008/0484/FUL, restricting use of the forge to only be used in conjunction with the occupation of Rose Forge. Location: Rose Forge, Worlington Road, Barton Mills IP28 7DX**

Resolved EM21/07/6.02

It was agreed to offer No Objections to application DC/21/1316/VAR.

- iii) **DC/21/1474/TPO - TPO104 (1970) tree preservation order - one Lime (T21 on plan) - fell
Location: Saffron House, Newmarket Road, Worlington IP28 8RZ**

Resolved EM21/07/6.03

It was agreed to offer No Comments on application DC/21/1474/TPO and leave it to the LPA Arborist decision.

Next Meeting to be held on Thursday 2nd September 2021 at 7:30pm, in the Village Hall

Meeting closed at 8:48pm

Signed: *Nick Foster*

Date: 2nd September 2021

Chair, WPC