

## Tattingstone Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Present: Cllrs. Wood [chair], Page, Clark. Clarke, Mark, Hawes, Tweedy

D Councillor Gould

SCC Councillor Harley

0 members of the public.

	Agenda item	Detail	Action
1	Apologies for absence	Councillors Wills. Mendel	
2	Declaration of interest	N/A	
3	Requests for dispensation	N/A	
4	To approve as accurate the minutes of the meeting 6th December 2021	Minutes of meeting emailed out to Councillors. Proposed Cllr. Page Seconded Cllr. Hawes Carried unanimously	
5	Open forum	N/A	
6	To receive the clerk's report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Forwarded applications for new clerk to interview panel</li> <li>Attended interviews for new clerk</li> <li>Checked that risk assessment for village hall had not changed.</li> <li>Inquired whether there had been any change on remote meetings for councils in light of increasing covid cases and fear that we would not be quorate as many vulnerable councillors</li> <li>Queried about money still available in SCC locality budget. £30 will be applied for when next invoice from Colchester printing is sent in.</li> </ul>	
7	To consider matters arising from the minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The clerk inquired about ownership of ditch and bank in Church Road after an offer to cut this by local farmer and charge the Parish council. Query 00344192. The Parish Council did not feel the verges needed to be cut at present as visibility was not</li> </ul>	

		<p>compromised. See minutes of December '21 meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CC Cllr. Harley contacted Collins Skip Hire about height of a bund seen from houses in The Heath. This has now been reduced in height.</li> <li>• Change of Auditors; See item 16</li> </ul>	
8	To receive Reports from County and District Councillors	<p>The Reports had been circulated to councillors before the meeting.</p> <p>CC Cllr Harley was thanked for resolving the complaint from a member of the public about the height of a bund at Collin's Skip Hire. This is now resolved.</p> <p>Cllr Harley had contacted Alton Water manager following a query about markings on several tree around the reservoir. These trees will be assessed as to whether they need to be felled or pruned for safety reasons. This is part of Anglian Water's regular maintenance.</p> <p>DC.Cllr Gould reported that the Joint Local Plan needs to be reviewed in respect of open spaces and traveller sites. There will probably be liaison with those parishes formulating Neighbourhood plans at the moment. This includes Tattingstone.</p> <p>The clerk queried as to why some District Council meetings were now on line. When she had queried virtual meetings of the Parish Council with SALC, She had been told they were not permitted by law. DC Gould would inquire.</p> <p>Reports are attached to these minutes</p>	
9	To consider Planning applications and receive outcomes from Babergh DC	<p>DC/21/06305</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proposal: Application for Listed Building Consent - Erection of extension to log store and installation of 3no. flues to facilitate use of biomass boilers and fuel store. Location: Tattingstone Place, Park Lane, Tattingstone, Suffolk IP9 2FP</li> <li>• As decision date was before this meeting, this was discussed by councillors by email. Approval given and Babergh informed of our recommendation.</li> </ul>	

10	Correspondence requiring immediate discussion at the discretion of the Chairman	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Email from resident in The Close about a camper van parked overnight outside her property. This is not illegal. The said vehicle was taxed and insured. Although not illegal to discharge waste water, this was not recommended into a storm drain. Cllr. Wood has responded to the email.</li> </ul>	
11	To receive update on proposed village shop.	<p>Inquiries were made whether Parish Council were able to use £4000 of our CIL money to fund the next stage of the village shop. Mr. Airy and Clerk answered many of the queries from infrastructure @ Babergh DC and with all the details provided, assurance was given that this was a valid use of the money.</p> <p>Report from Cllr. Hawes Village shop update</p> <p>We had an online Teams meeting with the architect who provided us with several design concepts. We identified the preferred option for a short term and long-term solution and asked for some minor amendments which have been made.</p> <p>Andy Airey and Simon Harley [Church Warden] met with the DAC Secretary to St. Mary's in church to discuss the latest drawing deck. (<b>diocesan advisory committee</b> for the care of churches). It comprises of a chairman, the archdeacons and not less than 12 other members.? There is a DAC Meeting <u>on Jan 21<sup>st</sup></u> and our project will be discussed there with a view to securing a fairly definite view on the temporary shop and an 'in principle' view on its permanent replacement.</p> <p>There is an online Teams meeting Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> January to discuss:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>A final review of the latest concept designs so we can fix on our preferred option and agree to commission Henry for Stage 2.</b></li> <li><b>An agreement to proceed with the legal establishment of a CBS (Community</b></li> </ol>	DH

		<p><b>Benefit Society) for the shop entity and to join Plunkett Foundation (ie to commit £610).</b> This is a recommendation from the Finance and Planning Group, given that we seem to have proven this is going to be viable, there is a time lag to get set up and there is only a small cost to establish the legal entity (which we have covered by our balance).</p> <p>3. <b>To review and agree plans for a village consultation event in early February</b></p> <p>With the revised set of drawings and DAC ‘in principle’ approval, it makes sense to quickly share plans formally in the village as the next stage of our consultation. We can use an event to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) explain vision, planning and thinking,</li> <li>ii) capture any ideas, concerns</li> <li>iii) start to gather input on village needs outside of the shop/café, and build our Statement of Need and</li> <li>iv) build on our initial research to improve our understanding of product range/suppliers.</li> </ul>	
12	To receive update on Village Plan	Survey is almost ready to be circulated. There will be an article about in the forthcoming edition of the Tattler.	AM
13	<p>Finance: to consider and approve.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bank Balances:</li> <li>• To approve for payment</li> </ul>	<p>The RFO reported.</p> <p>Current A/C: £25,016.58 Savings A/C: £3183.56 [includes £0.08 interest]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clerk’s wages and expenses: £311.97</li> <li>• HMRC: £311.97</li> <li>• SLCC: £98.00</li> </ul> <p>Information Commissioner [Data Protection]: £40</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Royal British Legion. [Wreath agreed at December meeting: £50.00</li> <li>• Citizen’s Advice Bureau, Ipswich. [ agreed December Meeting ]: £50.00</li> </ul> <p>Proposed: Cllr Clark Seconded: Cllr Clarke</p> <p>Carried unanimously</p>	

	Expenditure to date 2020/2021	Circulated  Bank reconciliation for end of December 2021, scrutinised and signed as accurate by Cllr. Page.	
14	To agree budget for financial year 2022/23 Sign Precept Request form	Final details of proposed budget were circulated to the councillors. An increase in our precept was requested to cover increase in salary of new clerk and to improve infrastructure in the village. It was proposed to raise the precept by 9.5% to £14,000. This would mean an approximate rise of £2.40 per annum for households on their council tax. A request had been made to include in the budget warranty on village SID. This was agreed and is included in the budget. Proposed: Cllr Wood Seconded: Cllr Mark Carried unanimously. The clerk will forward the Precept request to Babergh DC.	JCS
15	To request change of auditors.	The accountant Helen Heelis had said they had the capacity to take on the Internal Audit for financial year 2021/22. Fee would be comparable with SALC. As A new RFO is to take over on 01.02,22, the decision on this will be made at the February meeting after she has been consulted.	
16	To comment on any other urgent Village Matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The proposed removal of the hedge around the village hall cark has now been shelved.</li> </ul>	
17	Items for the next agenda	Village shop Village Plan Change of auditors	
21	Date of next meeting 7 <sup>th</sup> February 2022	Confirmed	

**Confidential Minutes from 6<sup>th</sup> December 2021 were confirmed as a correct record.**

**Report for January 2022 to the Parish Councils of Peninsula  
Division from Simon Harley (SCC Councillor)**

Date: 30/12/21

Email: [simon.harley@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:simon.harley@suffolk.gov.uk)Latest SCC information is available here: <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/coronavirus-covid-19/>Latest Government advice is available here: [www.gov.uk/coronavirus](http://www.gov.uk/coronavirus)Vaccination Appointments can be booked here: [www.sneevaccine.org.uk](http://www.sneevaccine.org.uk)**Cabinet Meeting**

The Cabinet met on the 7<sup>th</sup> December and voted unanimously to approve additional investment in highway drainage and footway infrastructure. £10m has been approved to replace broken pipes, as well as new installations, and £10m has been approved to increase the maintenance of selected footways. The Cabinet also voted to approve Suffolk County Council's new Housing Joint Venture. The Council wish to enter a contractual agreement with a private developer, aiming to deliver up to 3,000 new homes across Suffolk.

**Scrutiny Meeting on SEND Report**

The Education and Children's Services Scrutiny Committee met to discuss the damning SEND report, which outlined the various failings of the local service in dealing with children with special needs and disabilities. A new report from the SEND services was presented, which included the progress of improving the service. This included extended training, newly appointed managerial posts, and new accountability structures to help deal with the issues outlined in the previous report. Our Group brought up issues of a lack of representation in their ideas, and asked for a wider pool of representatives.

**Significant Investment in Firefighting Equipment**

Suffolk Fire and Rescue Service has recently added to its lifesaving kit – cementing the service's commitment to protecting its staff and Suffolk residents. A significant investment has enabled improved digital radios, smoke hoods and smoke curtains to be provided to every crew in the county.

This equipment can be used in a range of incidents, with it already proving invaluable in Lowestoft, when two occupants were rescued after a kitchen fire. Although crews are ready to attend emergencies with this new kit, it's important that every home has its own lifesaving equipment – smoke alarms, which should be fitted and tested regularly.

For more information, visit: <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/council-news/show/significant-investment-in-firefighting-equipment-secures-safer-future-for-suffolk>

**Free Bus and Taxi Services for All Travelling for a Vaccination**

Stuart Keeble, the Director of Public Health at Suffolk County Council, expanded the 'Vaxi Taxi' service to all members of the public. The original campaign was for those who were strictly eligible, but the Council has opened up the offer to anyone who needs it, in order to get to their appointment for a first, second or booster vaccination.

For a list of the taxi companies who have signed up to the scheme, please visit [www.suffolk.gov.uk/GetVaccinated](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/GetVaccinated) - or for further information, go to <https://sneevaccine.org.uk/>

### **'Support Social Care' Campaign**

A new campaign was released in December aimed to help the public understand more about the Social Care sector in Suffolk. The campaign wants to celebrate the care professionals, and asks the public for a little patience and flexibility whilst the Council navigates through another tough winter.

Every day, Suffolk receives 551 calls from people on adult social care, and on Christmas there will be around 1,200 care home staff working to ensure Residential and Nursing Homes have a good Christmas.

You can support for Social Care on social media by using the hashtag #SupportSocialCare, or by offering to collect a neighbour-in-need's prescription, or simply paying them a visit.

### **Councillor's Locality Budget**

Most of you will be aware that I can recommend local small projects for part funding from the SCC Locality budget. Recent examples are benches, video equipment for village halls, play equipment, and speed indicator devices. I still have some funds available for this year but they must be committed to by the beginning of February so let me know as soon as possible if there are any other local projects that need help with funding!

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News and information from Jane Gould, Babergh District Councillor,  
to the Parish Councils and residents in Orwell Ward  
January 2022

Happy New Year to everyone, I hope most of you were able to stay Covid free and enjoy your winter celebrations. There's not a lot to report from Babergh this month so I thought I would send you the seasonal review of the year that I wrote for the Peninsula Nub News.

It has been a busy year for me as District Councillor for Orwell Ward in spite of a lot of regular meetings and events being either cancelled, postponed or moved to one of the virtual platforms we have all become very familiar with. My locality fund grant money has been used for a number of innovative community projects in the Ward some of which are, The Shotley Peninsula Cricket Club who are based in Tattingstone, they had money for equipment, Tattingstone Good Neighbour Scheme who had money for start-up needs following the lockdown and Wherstead who had some for a much needed drainage project along The Strand. I was delighted to be given a learning walk round Belstead village to see for myself the issues on the ground with regards to wild life areas and I thank their Parish Council for making it happen.

Apart from my work in the ward with parishes I am on the Overview and Scrutiny and Licensing and Regulatory committees, I have been involved in task groups looking at Active Travel and in the formation of a Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan and the urgency around action with regards to the climate emergency that Babergh District Council have declared can now be seen to be taking shape, albeit slowly.

This is a good opportunity for me to wish all residents in Orwell Ward a peaceful winter break and to hope we can see the light at the end of the Covid tunnel very soon.

The only other thing to report to you is that the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Rishi Sunak set out a £1bn fund to help businesses hit by the rise in Covid cases, including the leisure and hospitality sector. We are now awaiting further details of the fund, but understand that it includes cash grants of up to £6,000 per premises for each eligible firm, with further discretionary funding available. Babergh will update everyone as soon as they receive further information from the Government, so that this support can be passed on to our business as quickly as possible.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any issues that you think I can help with and all the very best to you all.

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