

Tattingstone Parish Council

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 8th May 2017 at 8.30pm in Tattingstone Village Hall

Present: Cllr. Wood [Chairman], Cllr. Mendel, Cllr. Self, Cllr. Clark Cllr. Tweedy, Cllr. Stanger, Cllr. Clarke, Cllr. Gipps, District Cllr. McCraw

2 members of the public were present.

Cllr. Wood stated that all proceedings of the Parish Council Meeting could be filmed or recorded.

1. Apologies for Absence:

D.Cllr. Steer

2. Declaration of interest:

N/A

3. To consider requests for dispensations

N/A

4. To approve minutes of meeting held on 3rd April 2017

The minutes, which had been circulated previously, were agreed and signed as a correct record by Cllr. Wood.

Proposed: Cllr. Mendel

Seconded: Cllr. Tweedy

Passed unanimously

5. Matters arising:

There were no matters arising

6. Report from District Councillor

D. Cllr. McCraw reported that Babergh DC were updating the Planning website from 12.5.17. transition would take approximately 3 weeks. Current and old planning would remain on the old system while any new applications will be on the new site. D. Cllr. McCraw asked to be contacted if any problems occurred. Deputy Leader Simon Barrett had resigned all his positions and new officials would be elected at the AGM on 23.5.17.

Report from County Councillor

C.Cllr. Wood thanked everyone on his re-election as County Councillor for the next 4 years. He had nothing to report as the previous month had been Purdah because of election on 4.5.17.

7. Clerk's Report

The clerk reported that the parish noticeboard by the Wheatsheaf had been refurbished by Mr. Connell-Smith. However she warned that the board would not last much longer as it was very rotten. A new one of the same style would cost about £1000. When it comes to replacing it she suggested a cheaper option would be metal one similar to the one by the White Horse and placed in the bus shelter. Thanks were given to Mr Connell-Smith for his work.

8. Open Forum for members of the Public

Concern was expressed by a member of the public about planning application B/17/00463 at Hill Top, White Horse Hill. The concerns mirrored those of Councillors [see below]

9.Planning

I. B/17/00463

Hill Top, White Horse Hill, Tattingstone IP9 2NU

Erection of single dwelling.

Concerns were raised as follows:

- The access was shared and dangerous with poor visibility
- Inadequate provision for parking, which was situated on the shared access
- The design of the property is not in keeping with the unique setting with numerous listed buildings on the old coaching route
- It impinges on the AONB
- Backfill development is discouraged.

It was proposed to not recommend the application.

Proposed: Cllr. Self

Seconded: Cllr. Mendel

Carried unanimously

II. B/16/01046 [update]

Land to the north of Hornecroft, The Heath, Tattingstone.

Erection of 13 dwellings [including 8 affordable] and construction of associated access road.

It would appear these have been approved by Babergh DC after agreement with Suffolk Highways. The Council still objected to this

application and asked that Dist.Cllr. McCraw ask for it to be taken to planning committee so that the Parish council could make representation. Dist. Cllr. McCraw agreed to inquire but he thought our request would be turned down as there is need for both affordable houses and bungalows in the village and highways had agreed to safety measures.

The council proposed that Dist. Cllr. McCraw ask for this planning to go to committee.

Proposed: Cllr. Self

Seconded: Cllr Stanger

For: 6 Against: 1 Abstention: 1

Dist. Cllr. McCraw left the meeting 8.54pm

10. Correspondence requiring immediate discussion at the discretion of the Chairman.

- The Parish council agreed the purchase of a Suffolk flag to be flown on Suffolk Day.
- Cllr. Wood and the clerk would attend Town and Parish Liaison Meeting on 29th June

11. Finance: report from R.F.O

- Bank Balances at 30th April :

Community account: £9502.32 [precept in]

Business Premium Account: £3167.93

- Clerk's wages and expenses: £241.65
- Hire of village hall for 250 anniversary of Samford House of Industry: £45

Approved and signed

Proposed: Cllr. Mendel

Seconded: Cllr. Self

Carried unanimously.

- The summary of income and expenditure for period ending 30th April 2017 was presented.

12. Report from Playing Filed Representative

See attached report. Cllr. Wood had declared the wicket open.

13. Playing Field Fence.

Cllr. Self had hoped to set out S106 application for funding for this but he was still waiting quotes as the specifications had now changed. To be agenda item next month.

14. Defibrillator.

The Box had now been fitted on the village hall wall and the necessary electrics would be installed in the near future.

15. Community-led Plan

Cllr. Mendel will introduce this at the Annual Parish Meeting on 11th May. The questionnaires would be sent out, the data collated and the plan formed. The timescale for this was 2.5-3 years.

16. Community Emergency Plan

Cllr. Clark agreed to be Community Liaison Officer and would promote it at the Annual Parish Meeting on 11th May.

17. Cricket club [deferred to next meeting]

18. Parking Outside School

Cllr. Wood would seek a meeting with Headteacher to discuss this ongoing issue. A 20 is Plenty Zone would be suggested as there was money available in the locality fund for this.

19. Residential Caravans

This is no longer an issue on Cox's Hall Road. The caravan at the White Horse is only used occasionally.

20. Telephone Box [deferred to next meeting]

21. Other urgent village matters.

- A thanksgiving service for the life of Albert Collins will take place at St Mary the Virgin, Tattlingstone on 11th May 2017 at 3.00pm.
- A plaque to be placed near the tulip tree will be purchased.
- 4 Small sticky 'no dog fouling' notices to be purchased.

24. Items for next agenda

School Parking

Cricket club

Playing field fence

Telephone box

Community Led Plan

Meeting closed at 9.30pm.

PLAYING FIELD REPORT 30TH MARCH 2017

12 Members present with 1 apology and 2 members of the Parish Council.

It was reported that at long last the pole for the play equipment has arrived.

The cricket club have acquired 2 Porta Cabins (32' x 9') which they propose to put alongside the pavilion on the right one behind the other and clad them to make them look more aesthetically pleasing to fit in with the location. They will be used as changing rooms and later eventually house both toilets and showers. They would then remove the partitioned changing rooms in the pavilion making more room for teas and small social events. The whole of the committee are in agreeance. This is all subject to Parish council approval and if required Planning and building permission. Permission has been granted by committee after consultation with Babergh DC to store the porta cabins on the playing field while this is sorted.

Tennis club Courts looking good and they have 17/18 family memberships

It was reported that the gentleman from No 6 Green Lane was letting his 3 dogs run free on the playing field and watched one dog foul in the children's play area. David Wood asked if Bob Self could report this to the next Parish Council meeting so he could see what action could be taken.

Two estimates for the materials to fence the play area were received, but after discussion it was agreed to increase the height from 3' to 4' for safety reasons. The Cricket Club will erect. Bob Self said he would ask the council if S106 monies could be used for this purpose.

The Cricket club will replace net parallel to bridleway.

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