

Tattingstone Parish Council

Minutes of meeting: Monday 7th December 2020 via Zoom

Present: Cllrs. Wood [Chair], Mendel, Clark, Hawes, Tweedy, Page

D Cllr. Gould

Amanda Proctor [Tattingstone Speedwatch]

Item		Detail	Action
1	Apologies for absence	Non received prior to meeting	
2	Declaration of interest	None	
3	Requests for dispensation	N/A	
4	To approve minutes of meeting 2nd November	Minutes of Zoom meeting emailed out to councillors. Approved by email. Proposed: Cllr. Clark Seconded: Cllr. Mendel	
5	To receive clerk's report	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Forwarded any emails pertaining to village hall to D. Brown• Forwarded any emails pertaining to Good neighbours to R Chadburn• Police forum for December has been cancelled -Andrea notified• Received new charges for dog and litter bins – budget adjusted• AONB report forwarded to councillors• Put up new notice board at Wheatsheaf• Circulated advice on winter check list.• Circulated details of Christmas drink and drug driving initiative – Suffolk police• Circulated and put-on FB and website details of refuse collections over Christmas• Forwarded allotment requests to Cllr Mendel• Invitations to zoom meeting for public participation now 6.00pm on day of meeting• There was a query from I Granit, playing Field committee, about the paying for improvements on pavilion. Cheque and statement details sent.• Received new electoral Roll for the village.	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Circulated information about 10-year Census in 2021. It will be put on website and in The Tattler 	
6	To consider matters arising from minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informed for road sign for The Wonder. Mr Solley had been in touch with Cllr. Wood about the Council's decision. He is prepared to pay for 2 signs himself but the Parish Council must apply for them. The request was considered by the Council who felt that other residents of The Wonder should be consulted. Cllr. Wood would go and see Mr Solley to discuss. • Progress on highways grant from C.Cllr Wood on gates to village. This had been submitted. 	DW DW
7	Reports from County and District Councillors	<p>Reports circulated via email Attached to these minutes.</p> <p>D.Cllr. Gould was thanked for her locality grant of £350 towards the printing of The Tattler, the new village news magazine.</p>	
8	To receive update on Tattingstone Speedwatch Report from Mrs A Proctor.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter detailing every communication regarding SID was sent to Mark Ash, Executive director, Growth, Highways and Infrastructure on 12th November. A reply was received on 19th November from Emma Cook, his exec assistant, saying she had requested detailed information. Nothing has been heard from them since. The clerk shared, via Screen Share, the letter to Suffolk's chief exec. Nicola Beach. The letter was approved and will posted recorded delivery and email the next day. The Council expressed their frustration over this issue and considered a press release if no positive news was received in 7 days. • Speed enforcement van has been out on A137 at Fredericks Close. <p>The Parish Council thanked AP for all her hard for SpeedWatch</p>	JCS DW AP

9	To receive update on The Tattler.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The clerk sent of application form to D Cllr. Gould for grant of £350. This has now been received. • Clerk sent details to C. Cllr. Wood asking for locality grant from County. • Printing is being done by Colchester Printing Press and costs approx. £250 per issue. • Some advertising has already been gained and it is hoped that by the end of 2021 these will fully fund production. • Delivery to the various areas of Tattlingstone was agreed. • Many in village had received their first copy and it had been greeted with many plaudits. • Thanks were given to Cllr. Hawes for her excellent work editing the Tattler. 	
10	To consider any planning applications received	<p>APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION – DC/20/05464 and 05463 Tattlingstone Place Application for Listed Building Consent. Erection of extension to curtilage listed outbuilding to house biomass generator with 3no. flues Approved</p> <p>DC/19/05070 discharge of conditions Summercourt</p> <p>Approved DC/19/00701 and 20/05020 Birchwood House</p>	
11	Correspondence requiring immediate discussion	See item 6 re road name at The Wonder	
12	Finance to consider and approve	<p>1. Bank balances: Community: £18366.52 Savings: £3183.16 Bank reconciliation provided by RFO</p> <p>2. To approve payment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Clerk's wages and expenses £377.75 [expenses 114,33 includes notice board £69.95] 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o PKF Littlejohn [external Audit] £240.00 o Babergh DC [litter and dog bin] £245.96 o Babergh DC [playground inspection] £60.82 <p>Approved Proposed : Cllr Mendel Seconded: Cllr Tweedy</p> <p>3. Expenditure to date figures circulated via email. 4. Audit report presented.</p>	
13	To consider possibility of village shop.	Cllr. Tweedy reported that with failing eyesight she was unable to pursue this further. An article will be put in next issue of The Tattler to ask for suggestions and to canvass support. Cllr. Hawes agreed to take over this initiative.	ST DH
14	To consider purchase of a dog poo bin for opposite the church.	The increase of visitors to the village and reservoir has led to the litter bin by the bus shelter opposite the church to overflow with dog poo bags. A dog poo bin would cost approx. £100 and an additional £43.49 per annum for emptying. The clerk would arrange installation. Proposed: Cllr Mendel Seconded: Cllr Hawes	JCS
15	To finalise Budget requirements for financial year 2021/22	This had been discussed at the meeting in November. The County Council rate is increasing by 5%. The figures were screen shared and the Council after discussion agreed an increase of 3% to £12,800. Hopefully a small amount would be transferred to the savings account for contingences. Proposed: Cllr. Mendel Seconded: Cllr. Tweedy	
16	To agree purchase of notice board to replace rotting one by the church.	An aluminium notice board has been purchased to replace the one by The Wheatsheaf. Everyone was happy with quality and agreed that a second similar one be purchased to go in the bus shelter opposite the church. It was suggested that the old name boards be saved and renovated and placed above the new noticeboards. This would be arranged by the clerk.	JCS

17	To receive update on parking concerns in the village.	<p>A councillor had been contacted about inconsiderate parking in Green Lane and Church Road by footballers and supporters at matches.</p> <p>This had been brought up with both Mr Brown [playing field committee] and Mr Eniver [football club]. They had assured the Council that they are aware of the situation and are doing their best to mitigate the problem.</p> <p>Parking is not the responsibility of the Parish Council but of Ipswich BC.</p> <p>The Parking on Lemon's Hill bridge has improved after enforcement officers from Ipswich BC have been coming out to monitor.</p>	
18	To consider the formation of a group to begin to formulate a village plan.	Cllr. Mendel had put a request in The Tattler for interested parties to get in touch with her. This will be a rolling item on the agenda to monitor progress.	AM
19	To consider options for further tree planting in the village.	There are very few publicly owned places where a tree could be planted. The playing field has no where and recently turned down a request from the WI to plant a tree.	
20	To comment on other urgent village matters.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk will report defective light on northern end Lemon's Hill Bridge. • Anglia Water are setting up car park by Tattlingstone Place • An email inquiry had been received about the vacant Parish Councillor position but no further details had been received. 	JCS
21	Items for next agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update regarding SID and speed restriction measures • Update on village shop from working group • Applications for Parish Councillors • Neighbourhood plan • Precept for forthcoming financial year 21/22 	
18	Date of next meeting	4 th January 2021 via Zoom	
<p>Cllr. Wood wishes everyone a healthy and happy Christmas and thanked them for their hard work in difficult times.</p>			

News and information from Jane Gould, Babergh District Councillor. To the Parish Councils and residents in Orwell Ward December 2020 Ward News

I'm pleased to have been able to help Chelmondiston Parish Council with Funding from my locality fund towards a much needed new laptop. Tattingstone village have also been the recipients of some locality funding to support the publication of their village magazine. Following the recent issues in Tattingstone with illegal parking I was able to ensure the subject was brought up at a recent Babergh DC Cabinet meeting; this has resulted in Parking Enforcement Officers having a visible presence in the area and parking tickets being issued. Covid Update Business Grants for closed business Businesses required to close in England due to restrictions have been eligible for the Local Restrictions Support Grant (LRSB): (a) For properties with a rateable value of £15k or under, grants to be £1,334 per four weeks. (b) For properties with a rateable value of between £15k-£51k grants to be £2,000 per four weeks. (c) For properties with a rateable value of £51k or over grants to be £3,000 per four weeks. Once the application is submitted, the grants will be paid directly to the business bank account as quickly as possible. Additional Restrictions Grant The Additional Restrictions Grant is open to businesses that were trading up to and including 4 November, who were instructed to close because of the national lockdown or can demonstrate that they have been significantly financially impacted by the National Coronavirus restriction measures. The funding available through the grant will range from £1,334 to £3,000, in line with the Local Restrictions Support Grants. Applications for first round of Additional Restrictions Grant funding must be submitted by Friday 18th December. Self-isolation support payments for low-income earners Residents on low-incomes and unable to work because they have been asked to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace, can now claim a £500 payment to compensate for loss of earnings Joint Local Plan The Council have recently finalised the Joint Local Plan. The final version of the plan details how and where development should take place, ensuring suitable homes are built to meet Government housing targets, whilst also protecting and enhancing the districts' natural environment and heritage. Sustainable development and transport options have been promoted in the plan to meet the councils' continued commitment to addressing climate change. Before the plan can be formally adopted by both councils, it must be submitted for examination to the Secretary of State. Prior to this, there will be a six-week period inviting representations on the legal compliance and soundness of the plan. This consultation is now open and runs until Christmas Eve and full details can be found on the Babergh Website under Planning Policy - <https://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/new-joint-localplan/joint-local-plan-r19-pre-submission/> Biodiversity Action Plan Councillors are also set to consider a raft of measures this month, developed by a cross-party task force to improve the biodiversity in our district. The proposals have been developed following the extensive work of the task force, made up of Councillors from all political parties. If agreed, the proposals will form the Councils' first Biodiversity Action Plan, setting out how they aim to protect and strengthen biodiversity in the districts. 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. Jane Gould Babergh District Councillor Orwell ward
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Proposed biodiversity motion

At Full Council on the 3rd December, the LDGI Group proposed a biodiversity motion. If voted through, this motion will ensure:

- Delivery of an SCC biodiversity strategy.
- Assessment of how SCC can lead partner organisations in this field.
- Adoption of biodiverse land management options on SCC land.
- A letter to the Secretary of State calling for a clear and ambitious national biodiversity strategy.

Submitted response to Pavement Parking Consultation

Following the Government's announcement of a consultation on potential reforms to the law on pavement parking, my group has submitted a response supporting Option 3: a nationwide roll-out of a London-style ban on pavement parking.

Cllr Lindsay, the group's Spokesperson for Highways, Transport and Rural Issues, commented: "For too long the rules about parking on pavements have been an unnecessary grey area. People looking to park are confused whether it is better to block the roadway or the pavement and end up parking half on and half off pavements – the worst of both worlds."

Submitted response to Local Government Boundary Commission consultation on draft recommendations

My Group submitted a response to the LGBC consultation. The Group objected to the proposed reduction in councillor numbers, which makes little sense given Suffolk's growing population and the increase in councillor workload.

The Group also registered concern that the proposals from the boundary commission adhered too closely to suggestions received from the Conservative administration at the County Council. Some of the proposed division boundaries appear to divide traditionally non-Conservative communities and attach them to strongly Conservative areas. This means that the five council seats lost will largely impact non-Conservative councillors and increase the hegemony of the Conservative administration even further.

The proposed divisions will also destroy previous efforts in multiple areas to align County Council divisions with those of the District Councils.

Finally, the Group objected to multiple instances of cohesive communities are being divided and lumped into divisions with other towns and villages with which they are not closely connected.

