

Tattingstone Parish Council

Minutes of meeting: Monday 5th April 2021 via Zoom

Present: Cllrs. Wood [Chair], Mendel, Clarke, Clark, Hawes, Page, Wills, Tweedy
D Cllr. Gould, Ms Proctor

3 candidates for Suffolk County Council election.

The chairman welcomed the three candidates for the forthcoming election to Suffolk County Council. They were Simon Harley [Green Party], Alastair McCraw [Independent], Mary McLaren [Conservative Party]. Each candidate addressed the Council and questions and answers were allowed.

Following the presentations all three candidates left the meeting at 7.45pm.

Item		Detail	Action
1	Apologies for absence	None received	
2	Declaration of interest	N/A	
3	Requests for dispensation	N/A	
4	To approve as accurate the minutes of meetings on 1 st March 2021 and 25 th March 2021	Minutes of Zoom meetings emailed out to councillors. Approved by email. Proposed: Cllr. Mendel Seconded: Cllr. tweedy Carried unanimously	
5	To receive Clerk's report	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Forwarded AONB news to councillors• Forwarded Online Arthritis Support from Arthritis Action for inclusion in The Tattler• Invitations and Zoom links sent to candidate for Suffolk CC election• Update on virtual meetings forwarded. At moment face to face meeting will be allowed from 17th May at earliest. There is a 12 week consultation as many councils have found virtual meetings an advantage.• Sent details of Zoom to members of public who requested it.• Put up election notices	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sent out notice of BMSDC Sport and Physical Activity Survey to councillors • Circulated Anglian Water newsletter. • Attended SALC course with Cllr Page on preparing for audit. The clerk reviewed all the documents necessary that will have to be seen by the internal auditor on the village website. These were agreed by Cllr. Page and then agreed at the extraordinary meeting on 25.03.21. Many thanks to Cllr Hawes for putting them all on web site and to Cllr. Page for helping the clerk to review them and write others. Hopefully Audit will be less stressful this coming year. It was a shame the course was not held a month earlier as a lot to do in a few days. • Sent update for Parish Council for Welcome to Tattingstone booklet to T Connolly 	
6	To consider matters arising from minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Babergh DC has been informed about the bin at the bus stop opposite the Wheatsheaf. At present there is some difficulty opening the bin to remove a full bag. Cllr. Wood will try. 	DW
7	Reports from County and District Councillors	<p>Report from D Cllr Gould circulated via email Attached to these minutes.</p> <p>C Cllr Wood's not received by meeting but will be attached to minutes when available.</p> <p>Felixstowe and Harwich have been granted Free Port status. This includes all of the Shotley Peninsula. He stressed that care must be taken to ensure that this does not affect detrimentally the AONB areas. As C Cllr Wood is not standing for re-election he was thanked for all he done for the Peninsula ward over many years.</p>	

8a	To receive update on Tattingstone Speedwatch, especially the use of the SID.	<p>The poles have been erected and the SID is in use. It is already having an effect in moderating the speed of vehicles coming into Tattingstone, travelling South along A137. The SID will be moved to another location approximately fortnightly. The Council formally thanked Ms Proctor for all her hard work and tenacity on this.</p> <p>More volunteers are needed to help with Speedwatch. An article will be put in the next edition of The Tattler.</p>	
8b	To consider the use of cameras with number plate recognition by Suffolk County Council	<p>Cllr. Wood, in his capacity as County Councillor has registered an interest with Suffolk County Council that Tattingstone had a problem with speeding especially along A137 to consider the use of cameras with number recognition to be used. This would be a 2 year trial covering the whole of Suffolk. This was formally agreed by the Council.</p> <p>Proposed: Cllr. Clark Seconded: Cllr. Mendel Carried unanimously</p>	
9	To receive update on The Tattler. Cllr Hawes reported	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The third edition went out on time and has been delivered to all households. • More advertising is needed so that The Tattler will be self-funding. • Local firms are being approached to advertise in future copies. Having several editions to show future advertisers would hopefully encourage more adverting when they see the quality of it. 	DH
10	To consider any planning applications received	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DC/21/01222 1 White Horse Cottages, IP9 2NT Erection of log cabin for dog grooming service [following demolition of existing shed] This was discussed and there was concern about parking at the address. However, the nature of the business would only require one vehicle at a time and parking was available nearby for dropping off and collecting dogs. Tattingstone Parish Council recommend approval of this application. • Planning has been refused on DC/21/00626 – Gate Lodge, Church Road, Tattingstone, 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DC/21/00730 Erection of one and a half storey side extension with 2no dormer windows and juliet balcony to front elevation and single storey rear extension. Orion Church Road Tattingstone Ipswich Suffolk IP9 2LY (baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk) Some internal amendments, still being considered by Babergh DC. The internal amendment did not affect the Council's decision of last month. 	
11	Correspondence requiring immediate discussion	<p>Emails had been sent from Shotley peninsula Cricket club regarding the maintenance of the playing field. This had caused some concern with the contracted maintenance company. Cllr. Wood had spoken with them and they are happy to notify the clerk after each cut. The original declaration of trust was read. The playing field should be maintained as a recreation ground for the entire village, the land can be let out for public use but a charge could not be levied. Cllr. Wood would write to the cricket club regarding the upkeep of the playing field.</p>	DW
12	Finance to consider and approve	<p>Bank balances: Not received by date of the meeting.</p> <p>The following payments were approved: Proposed: Cllr. Tweedy Seconded: Cllr Hawes Carried unanimously</p> <p>Clerk's wages and expenses: £291.51 HMRC: £197.60 Pay roll software licence: £39.60 Colchester Press Ltd: £235.00 D Wood expenses [litter pick]: £22.99 Suffolk CC [street lighting]; £225.43 SALC [training]: £48.00</p> <p>The Expenditure to date was shared with the Council. VAT expected and claimed for has been included to give a more realistic figure of surplus for the year.</p>	JCS

		As soon as accounts for 20/21 have been finalised, RFO will complete the AGAR forms and request for exemption from external audit by Littlejohns.	JCS
13	To consider problem of litter in the village.	Cllr. Wood is continuing to litter pick in his area of the village. More volunteers are needed for the rest of the village. There is now a supply if the necessary equipment, Cllr. Mendel will organise a Village Tidy event in May or June when Covid restrictions are lifted.	DW AM
14	To consider application for the position of Parish councillor	An application to become a councillor had been received Mrs Gemma Mark. Her CV and reasons for wishing to become a Councillor were considered by the Council. It was proposed that Mrs G Mark be co-opted onto the Council. Proposed: Cllr. Wood Seconded: Cllr. Mendel Carried unanimously. Mrs Mark, who had attended the meeting as a member of the public, was readmitted to the meeting and welcomed by the Chairman. The clerk would send all the necessary paperwork to Mrs Mark for completion.	JCS
15	Update on Anglia Water Carparks	The pay and display machine have not yet been installed but there are notices about closure times and they have been locked a few nights. Cllr. Page had talked informally with the manager of Alton Water. Some construction work was needed to the gates and where the parking pay points would be situated so there will be a slight delay.	

16	To consider possible plans for Parish Council AGM and Annual Parish Meeting	The AGM of the Parish council will take place on 10 th May at 7.00pm before the May meeting of the Council. This will be via Zoom. A decision as to the Date and venue of the Annual Parish Meeting, which must take place by 18 th June, will be decided at the may meeting and will depend on Covid restrictions in place.	
17	To comment on any other urgent Village Matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Survey on Facebook village page about the possibility of a Fish and chip van coming to Tattingstone once a week. • The unfriendly notice blocking the entry to the bridleway up Green Lane has been removed. 	
19	Items for next agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exemption certificate. • Agar Forms • Year 2020/21 Accounts • Playing field report • Anglian Water parking. • Litter 	
20	Date of next meeting	10 th May 2021 via Zoom	

Meeting closed at 9.30pm

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After serving as you County Councillor for the last 21 years and attending well over 2000 Parish Council meetings it is now time to say farewell. Thanks for your company and friendship it has been a pleasure to serve you all. I hope I have been some assistance over the years I know it has been frustrating at times trying to deal with the mountains of bureaucracy that seems to have come into place but I think the successes outweigh the disappointments. It will seem strange having most of my evenings free but I expect I will soon find different ways to fill them.

Should you need to contact me for any reason my details are:-

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May I wish you all the very best for the future, it may well be farewell but not goodbye as I expect I will still see many of you when I am out and about in whatever new roles come my way.

LDGI Group motion on carer's database receives unanimous support

On March 18th the LDGI Group presented a motion designed to improve the county's support offer for carers. The motion will see the Council working with Suffolk Family Carers to create an opt-in register for carers, who will be offered increased support including advice, signposting to key services, and the option to be consulted on key policies affecting carers. The motion received unanimous support from the Council.

Automatic number plate recognition camera project (ANPR)

Suffolk County Council is working with the police to run a 2-year ANPR camera trial in speeding hot spots across the county. The cameras will be used to help detect and deter speeding offences that have been highlighted in towns and villages and educate drivers on the importance of road safety.

An ANPR camera will be installed at a site where it has been identified by a local council, with support from their county councillor, that there is a problem with speeding and/or rat-running on roads with a 20 or 30mph speed limit. The devices will be moved between sites and will remain in situ for up to one week per site. There is the option of extending this period if needed.

An ANPR device identifies a speeding vehicle by capturing an image of the number plate of the vehicle. Data will then be shared with the Police and the County Council. The County Council will write to the owner of the vehicle on behalf of both parties explaining that their vehicle has been registered as speeding. Repeat offences at a particular location could prompt the deployment of SafeCam (the Police's enforcement team) and the issuing of fines to those who breach the speed limit.

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

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It is Easter Saturday as I am writing this months' newsletter so the greetings of the season to you all. I hope that those of you who have been called for your Covid 19 vaccinations have had a good experience and that many have already had their second "jab". We are reminded that, even when we are vaccinated, we still need to keep up the mask wearing and social distancing and that we still need to limit our social contacts as much as we can.

Joint Local Plan

Babergh have submitted the Joint Local Plan for independent examination by the Secretary of State. The following statement from Tom Barker, Assistant Director of Sustainable Communities, will be published on the website:

"This is a significant milestone for our councils and I would like to thank all those involved in the process so far, including our councillors, communities, officers, and other stakeholders. Following both councils opting to prepare a Joint Local Plan in 2016, careful consideration has been given to how the districts will balance the delivery of housing growth, important infrastructure, and essential employment, while safeguarding our natural and historic environment until 2037.

Residents, local businesses and other stakeholders were invited to have their say on proposals at a public consultation in 2017, when more than 14,000 representations were received. This helped inform the preferred options consultation in July 2019, during which a further 4,000 comments were made by consultees.

Public feedback has been reflected in the final version of the plan, which outlines how and where future development should take place – enabling Government housing targets to be met, whilst also supporting the councils' ambition to build thriving communities.

