



## **MINUTES**

### Meeting of the Woolverstone Parish Council

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2019 7.30pm at Berners Hall

1. **Apologies:** Councillor Wood, Phil Mayhew, Sarah Rogers, Jen Young
2. **Attendance:** Simon Pearce, Elspeth Iskander, Jon Mann, Councillor Gould, Matthew March, Simon Kent, Allison Glading
3. **Declaration of any prejudicial interest** – None.
4. **Parishioners**  
Presentation by Andrew Sterling – Climate Change  
He is asking the council to declare a climate and wildlife emergency; he presented to the council. Simon Pearce asked Andrew to provide the Parish Council with his list of proposals for us to review and consider at the next meeting.
5. **Minutes**  
**12<sup>th</sup> September 2019** – proposed – Jon Mann, seconded – Elspeth Iskander
6. **Matters Arising**  
Simon Pearce has written to the appeals committee, voicing our concerns and support for Kirsty Hart. Kirsty Hart has a temporary bus pass for her daughter pending this appeal being considered.  
  
Planning enforcements: these are being reviewed by the council.  
  
Friends of Woolverstone AGM is now 28<sup>th</sup> November.
7. **Reports from District and County Councillors**  
**Councillor Wood**  
This was circulated and read. There were no matters arising.  
  
**Councillor Gould**  
This was circulated and read.

CIL – an amount is paid to the council – 15% of the amount collected by Babergh. If the Parish Council had a Neighbourhood Plan then this would rise to 25%. Simon Pearce voiced concern over spending time and money on a Neighbourhood Plan when BDC is proposing the number of houses to be built within the parish not the parish.

Babergh Council are looking to change their name to South Suffolk Council. The Parish Council did not support a change of name.

#### **8. Joint Local Plan consultation**

Simon Pearce responded on behalf of the village.

Simon Pearce raised concern that the Parish Councils on the Peninsula had not joined forces and presented a plan. He also asked Councillor Gould if the councillors had joined as one voice on this, she advised this had not happened. Councillor Gould advised that she hoped the councillors for the Peninsula could get together soon and look collectively at the issues affecting the area.

Simon Pearce is to chase Robert Hobbs on the issue of the settlement boundary definition.

#### **9. New Process for Requesting Speed Limit Changes: B1456 East of Woolverstone**

Councillor David Wood has advised that requests for changes to the speed limit must now go through him (the process has changed). The Parish Council will again ask him to take forward our request to extend the 30mph area to include all of the houses in the village.

#### **10. Changes to 97 and 98 bus services**

It was agreed that a letter should go to Suffolk County Council as there is no public transport to/from the Peninsula in the evening.

#### **11. Finance**

Balance, £5341.00. Paid Insurance £162.40

#### **12. Correspondence**

None.

#### **13. Planning.**

DC/19/04385 – Hamilton House windows. Discussion followed over the presented styles of windows. It was agreed that environmentally this was an improvement but the appearance should be kept the same as a minimum. As Woolverstone is in the conservation area guidance should be taken from the Woolverstone Conservation Area Appraisal document. Simon Pearce will reply.

DC/19/04540 – IHS, Tree Works. It was agreed, Simon Pearce will however ask for a tree to be planted in lieu of the one cut down.

#### **14. Berners Hall**

There is now a nappy changing unit in the lady's toilet.

The AGM is 7<sup>th</sup> Nov.

#### **15. Friends of Woolverstone**

They have raised between £2000 and £3000 this year.

## **16. AOB**

Punch and Pie – volunteers are still needed.

Simon Kent asked for Spring Lodge to be added to the next meetings agenda. Simon Pearce will contact the Head Office in advance of this meeting.

Tree work will be needed as a large branch overhangs Horseponds Green.

Remembrance – Simon Kent asked that we consider how we follow on with this. Simon Pearce asked Councillor Gould if we could have a dedicated area within the church grounds for villagers – this is to be called a “Garden of Remembrance”.

Meeting closed at 2125

Signed:

Simon Pearce, Chairman.

Date of the next meeting: Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> November 2019