

## MINUTES

### **Additional meeting of the Woolverstone Parish Council Wednesday 14 December 2016 at 7:30pm Berners Hall, Woolverstone**

1. **Apologies** - Mr M Bostock

**Present** - Mr S Pearce (Chair), Mrs A Glading (RFO), Mr A Douglas, Mr S Quantrill, Mrs E Iskander, Mr L Mayer, Mr P Mayhew, Mrs D Parkinson (Clerk).

2. **Declaration of financial interest**

Mr S Quantrill declared his interest regarding his position giving legal advice relating to the HMS Ganges planning application.

3. **Parish Clerk**

Mrs D Parkinson was introduced as the newly appointed Parish Clerk who has taken the post as a volunteer. She replaces Mrs A Block with immediate effect.

4. **Suspension of standing orders**

8 members of the public spoke regarding the issue of planning application B/16/01566, for the Walled Garden at the former Paul Double Nurseries Ltd site.

The members of the public left at 8.10pm

5. **Minutes of the last meeting**

It was agreed that these would be reviewed, and matters arising would be raised, at the next full meeting on 11 January 2017.

6. **Finance**

Nothing to report

## 7. Planning

### a. Nursery development – Walled Garden application

The issues raised by members of the public were discussed with reference to the submitted plans and previous planning decisions. It was felt that the potential for further development of the area is a serious concern. The expansion of the original development is regretful as the Walled Garden is no more secure because of it. It was suggested that the primary consideration for any plans should be how best to secure the architectural and heritage assets as per the S106 agreement. It is the opinion of the Parish Council that this application should be rejected as the submission is inaccurate and incomplete. The key issues being:

- the submitted plans are not representative of planning permission granted — the walled garden is incorrectly shown as outside the site in question
- the submitted plans are not representative of what is happening on site — more buildings have been completed than indicated, including the garages for which this alternative permission is being sought
- as it appears that the developer now also wishes to build inside the walled garden — the plans are incomplete
- the reports of damage to the Wall and the Mushroom House - structures that had previously been noted of being of particular historic value
- the addition in recent weeks of electric gates that do not appear to have planning permission.

Decision: The Clerk will write to Babergh District Council (BDC) planning department and express the Parish Councils concerns before 21 December.

## **8. Any other business**

- a. East Bergholt successful Judicial Review. Implications.

Mr S Pearce shared the news article from EADT, 12 December 2016, that reported on the High Court ruling to block 10 houses being built in East Bergholt, following that Parish Council's successful challenge of BDC planning decisions. He asked what the implications may be in relation to the Ganges judicial review? Mr S Quantrill advised that we should hear shortly about the leave to appeal.

The meeting ended at 8:55pm

### **Dates of future meetings:**

11 January 2017,

8 March,

10 May,

12 July,

13 September,

8 November