

COOKLEY & WALPOLE PARISH COUNCIL

A Meeting of the Parish Council was held virtually via Zoom on Tuesday, March 16th 2021 at 7pm.

Minutes:

Present:

Cllr. Z. Mair; Cllr. C. Leggett (Vice-Chairman); Cllr. L. Andrews; Cllr. R. Chase; Cllr. J. Lewis; Cllr. C. Northover; Cllr. M. Porter and Cllr. J. Winter:

Also Present:

Paul Widdowson (Clerk) and Nicola Jenner (East Suffolk Council Communities Officer (left 7-30pm):

1) Apologies:

District and County Cllr. S. Burroughes:

2) To receive declarations of interest:

Cllr. Z. Mair and Cllr. M. Porter declared an interest in CEA and Cookpole. Cllr. J. Lewis declared an interest as an employee of Suffolk County Council.

3) Requests for dispensations:

There were no requests for dispensations.

4) To receive a report from the County and District Councillor:

There was no report from District and County Cllr. S. Burroughes.

5) Communities Officer at East Suffolk Council Presentation: Nicola Jenner to give a presentation.

The Communities Officer for Framlingham, Wickham Market and Villages at East Suffolk Council, Nicola Jenner, gave a presentation.

She said that her role was to help the Enabling Communities Initiative meet the following Key Strands: 1) Community Safety such as discussing County Lines; 2) Anti-Social Behaviour Management such as working with the different agencies to sort out the causes of this anti-social behaviour; 3) Locality Act with Town and Parish Councils listing their Assets of Community Value if they have any and then in helping them under the Right to Bid to buy such assets if they come up for sale with six months given for the funds to be raised and then finally with Neighbourhood Plans, 4) Funding including how to obtain and then spend the Hardship (Coronavirus) Fund, Enabling Communities Budgets, Hidden Needs Fund and the Bounce-back Fund before concluding with the 5) Community Partnership Fund and the Community Partnership Programme and 6) the Health and Wellbeing which includes helping older people with a box of

often appalled by being overtaken as she travelled at the speed limit for the road. Cllr. C. Northover was thanked for dealing with the Speed Indicator Device.

10) Emergency Plan:

Cllr. Z. Mair reported that the revised plan was nearly completed with just the contacts required being agreed. She commented that the plan had been reduced in volume.

11) River Blyth Sign:

Cllr. C. Northover said that the sign was currently at the cutters. He said that delivery should be either this week or next weekend once it is completed, the sign will be put on the bridge. It was agreed to have a celebration later.

12) Church Cemetery and Norse to reduce its grass-cutting regime:

Cllr. R. Chase said that he would work with East Suffolk Council as he did not wish to see the Church Graveyard to look unkempt. Cllr. M. Porter wondered if this was a cost cutting exercise but Cllr. Z. Mair said that she would convene a meeting with Norse to discuss what should be cut back and what could be left for the wildlife. She said that she had completed an informal poll asking nine residents what they thought about having areas left for the wildlife and eight were fully supportive with just one resident against.

13) Planning Matters:

Proposal: Creation of new access.

Address: Walpole Water Treatment Works, Mells Road, Walpole, Suffolk. IP19 0PL

Ref: DC/21/0834/FUL

The Parish Council do not object to this planning application.

However the Parish Council does note that the proposed driveway will mean that many trucks and vans will be much nearer neighbouring properties and therefore the noise impact for these neighbours will be considerably greater.

Given that these vehicles often come and go at night-time, perhaps not only hard fencing between the new drive and the residents should be installed to act as a noise reduction barrier but also hedging and trees for environmental purposes.

Proposer: Cllr. R. Chase:

Seconder: Cllr. C. Leggett:

Cllr. Z. Mair reported that she continues to send monthly emails to East Suffolk Council regarding any delapidated properties.

14) Clerk's Report and Correspondence:

The Clerk said that he had received the following notifications by email and had passed them on by email to the councillors.

Town and Parish Planning Forum

Roads – Emergency Closure

