

COOKLEY & WALPOLE PARISH COUNCIL

A Meeting of the Parish Council was held at the Pavilion, Walpole at 7-30pm on Tuesday, October 19th 2021.

Minutes:

Present:

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

Also Present:

Paul Widdowson (Clerk):

1) Apologies:

Cllr. J. Lewis and 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 the Walpole and Cookley Playing Fields Association.

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 the District and County Cllr. S. Burroughes. The clerk wondered if he was receiving the emails sent to him by the Parish councils. Cllr. M. Porter asked if a parishes meeting with Cllr. S. Burroughes at the meeting was taking place soon.

5) Public Session: Members of the public have fifteen minutes to ask questions on topics on the agenda.

There were no members of the public at the meeting.

6) To confirm the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on September 21st 2021.

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on September 21st 2021 were agreed.

Proposer: Cllr. Z. Mair:

Seconder: Cllr. C. Leggett:

7) Highways and Road Signs:

Cllr. M. Porter said that road signs were falling over and needed to be repaired. He said that none seemed to be repaired currently. The Clerk was asked to bring this to the attention of County and District Cllr. S. Burroughes.

The new price guide for the cemetery was agreed.

Proposer: Cllr. J. Winter:

Seconder: Cllr. M. Porter:

14) Emergency Plan:

Cllr. Z. Mair said that this was still ongoing.

15) Clerk's Pay for 2021-2022:

It was agreed that the Clerk's Pay would rise by the increase in pay and to set his pay at Point 15 on the National Association of Local Council (NALC) Clerk's Pay Scale 2021-2022.

Proposer: Cllr. M. Porter:

Seconder: Cllr. C. Leggett:

16) Planning Matters: To discuss and agree the following planning application:

Proposal: *Certificate of Lawful Use (Existing) - The applicant recently reinstated a vehicular access that has been present at the property since at least 1972, but which in recent years, was not fully used. This application seeks a Lawful Development Certificate enabling the old access to be used to enable two cars to be parked off road within the rear garden of the property. Photographic evidence and statements from a previous owner of The Old Post Office, neighbours and Parish Councillors accompany this application by way of verification that the vehicular access from Church Hill has been in existence from at least 1972, but possibly even longer. The picket gates that were erected by the immediate previous owners of the property were still in place across the access when the applicant purchased the property in 2019 and were simply removed at that time.*

Address: *The Old Post Office, Church Hill, Walpole, Suffolk. IP19 9AP*

Ref: *DC/21/4351/CLE*

The Parish Council approved this planning application.

Proposer: Cllr. J. Winter:

Seconder: Cllr. Z. Mair:

Cllr. Z. Mair reported that she was in a continued dialogue with East Suffolk Council over a dilapidated property.

17) Clerk's Report and Correspondence:

The Clerk reported that he had received a Payroll Invoice from Suffolk Association of Local Councils, a receipt from the Information Commissioner and a 'Thank-You' Letter from East Anglia's Children Hospices.

18) Financial Report:

a) Balances at the Bank on October 7th 2021:

Business Community Account
Business Savings Account

£14 625-77
£1 101-75

