

# COOKLEY & WALPOLE PARISH COUNCIL

**An Extra-Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council was held in the Pavilion,  
Walpole on Monday, November 6th 2023 at 7-30pm.**

## **Minutes:**

### **Present:**

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

### **Also Present:**

Paul Widdowson (Clerk):

#### 1) **Apologies:**

Councillors accepted the apologies from Cllr. J. Clark; Cllr. J. Henson; Cllr. J. Lewis and Cllr. A. Thomas. The Councillors accepted these apologies.

District Cllr. J. Ewart also gave her apologies.

#### 2) **To receive Declarations of Interest: Councillors to declare any Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests. Members may subsequently declare an interest at any point in the meeting.**

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 Dispensation.

#### 4) **Planning Matters:**

*Proposal: Installation of ground mounted PV array*

*Address: Walnut Tree Farm, Halesworth Road, Cookley, Halesworth, Suffolk. IP19 0PJ*

*Ref: DC/23/3885/FUL*

The Parish Council approved this planning application.

Proposer: Cllr. C. Leggett:

Seconder: Cllr. Z. Mair:

*Proposal: Listed Building Consent - Removal of existing hard render to exterior and replacement with new softer more flexible lime render. Removal of existing pentice board. Insertion of new conservation rooflight on inner east roof slope. Removal of bitumen paint from brick plinth. Replacement of existing corrugated cement lean-to roof and reinstatement of pantiles.*

*Address: Walpole Old Chapel, Halesworth Road, Walpole, Halesworth, Suffolk. IP19 9AZ*

*Ref: DC/23/3897/LBC*

The Parish Council approved this planning application.

Proposer: Cllr. M. Porter:                      Second: Cllr. C. Leggett:

#### 5) **Floods:**

Cllr. R. Chase said that he had spoken to a number of local people and they had all believed that the flooding had been made worse by the lack of maintenance by the Environment Agency and Suffolk County Council Highways. He said that he had reported these views to District Cllr. J. Ewart.

Cllr. Z. Mair said that the Pavilion had been flooded as it is on a flood plain and a number of properties in Cookley and Walpole had been flooded.

Cllr. R. Chase said that something needed to be done to mitigate flooding in the future.

#### 6) **Clerk's Report, Correspondence and Donations:**

The Clerk said that he had received a Barclays Bank letter asking for further details. Cllr. Z. Mair reported that she had been in contact and said that Barclays Bank were asking customers for details as part of their 'Know Your Customer' Initiative. She said that the Parish Council Accounts were seen as 'Local Association' Accounts and Barclays Bank said that they should be classed as Parish Council Accounts. Currently, Cllr. Z. Mair was waiting to hear that the Bank had transferred the Bank Accounts to the Parish Council classification.

The Clerk said that he had received an email asking if there were any local historians in Walpole. Cllr. Z. Mair said that the Local Archivist should be contacted.

The Clerk reported that East Suffolk Council had asked for the Parish Council Precept and this and the Budget would be discussed at the November 21<sup>st</sup> 2023 Meeting.

#### 7) **Payments and Receipts:**

There were no payments or receipts.

Cllr. Z. Mair gave her apologies for the next Parish Council Meeting on November 21<sup>st</sup> 2023 at this point in the meeting.

**The Meeting ended at 8-35pm.**