



MUTFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held at Mutford Village Hall on Wednesday 2nd December 2015 Commencing at 7.00pm

102/15 Present

Cllrs Shirley Cole, David Greenacre, Martin Warnes, Theresa Robinson, Neil Glendinning, J. Armstrong (Clerk) 4 members of the public

103/15 Chairman

In the absence of the Chairman the Vice Chairman Cllr Glendinning took the Chair

104/15 Apologies for absence

Cllrs. Carl O'Brien (Chairman), Paul Randle, SCC Cllr David Ritchie, PCSO Julia Quantrill.

105/15 Declarations of Interest

None

106/15 Minutes of the meeting of 4th November 2015

It was proposed by Cllr Glendinning, seconded Cllr Greenacre that the minutes of the meeting of 4th November 2015 be accepted as a true record. This was agreed. The minutes were signed by the Chairman.

107/15 Matters arising not otherwise on the agenda

There were no matters arising

The meeting was adjourned for questions and comments from the public and reports.

108/15 Questions and comments from the public

A member of the public asked if there was any response to the issues of a large tractor using Chapel Road. The clerk responded that he had not yet raised the issue with Highways or the police but would do so.

The issue of cars parking close to the junction of Mill Road and Hulver Road was raised and several near misses with cars had occurred The clerk will report the matter to the police.

109/15 SCC Report

There was no SCC report.

110/15 WDC Report

There was no WDC report

111/15 Police Report

PCSO Quantrill had sent a written report for the month there had been no reported crime this month. PCSO Quantrill said that Heating Oil theft was on the increase and requested that residents should be vigilant and secure their oil tanks.

Signed Chairman _____ Clerk _____ Date _____

The meeting was re-opened by the Chairman

112/15 Correspondence

Letters had been received from:

Suffolk Community Foundation about the High Sheriff's Awards

WDC with notes from the financial briefing meeting

Details of the Fire and Rescue consultation being undertaken until Feb 22nd. It was agreed to add this item to the next meeting agenda

Request for a donation from Headway Suffolk. Following a short discussion it was agreed not to make a donation.

Details of the new arrangements for green bin collections by WDC. Following discussion the clerk was asked to write to WDC expressing concern that the change to charging for green bin collection would lead to increases in gases that contribute to climate change.

WDC Cllr Springall arrived during this agenda item.

Cllr Springall advised that correspondence on this matter should be sent to Stephen Ardley at WDC

113/12 The Chairman asked Cllr Springall if he had anything to report from WDC. Cllr Springall there was nothing to report at this time.

114/15 Finance

114/15/1 Outstanding invoices

On a proposition from Cllr Cole seconded by Cllr Greenacre the following invoices were approved for payment

Playground inspection and bin emptying November 2015 £43.60 payee Robin Mills cheque number 000117

114/15/2 Account Balance The clerk reported that the current balances as at 30th October £5500.00

114/15/3 Precept for 2016/17. The clerk in his capacity as responsible financial officer recommended that the precept for 2016/17 be the same as for 2015/16. Following discussion **it was agreed that the precept for 2016/17 be set at £3400.00**

114/15/4 Cllr Springall brought details of a telephone scam to the attention of the council. Members of the public are being contacted and invited to join a scheme to reduce their council tax bill. The caller asks for bank details in order to do so. The public should ignore any such calls.

115/15 Planning

115/15/1 Planning Applications

DC/15/4437/FUL construction of a timber stable/storeroom on concrete raft to replace existing damaged stable block for Mr Cleveland Mutford Wood Cottage.

Following discussion Council asked the clerk to contact WDC and ask for confirmation that the proposed stables are replacing damaged stables. The clerk was then asked to communicate the response to members following which a decision would be made.

115/15/2 Outcome of planning applications

DC/15/3946/FUL Construction of a single storey rear extension, replacement of all windows and conversion of garage into bedroom en-suite including demolition of existing rear extension at Oak Lodge for Mr and Mrs Glendinning. **WDC Approved**

115/15/3 Update on current position of application DC/15/3766/ARM Approval of Reserved Matters DC/14/3297/OUT Construction of a holiday cottage and renovation of existing stables Woodland Farm Mutford Wood Mutford for Mr and Mrs G Adams.

Signed Chairman _____ Clerk _____ Date _____

The clerk said that he had spoken to planning and there was nothing further at this time.

115/15/4 Update on planning application for the construction of 46 bio-diesel generators at Beccles Heliport. The clerk reported that neighbouring councils shared Mutford's concerns with this application. Cllr Springall reported that the application had been deferred again by the planning committee at WDC. The clerk will keep members informed as to any developments.

115/15/5 Waveney Development Plan Review Meeting Following a discussion it was agreed to hold an additional meeting in January with a one item agenda to consider the issue of a neighbourhood plan for Mutford. The clerk will liaise with the Chairman as to the date for the meeting.

116/15 Any other business

116/15/1 Playground Report.

The clerk reported that he was waiting for a quotation from Playdale to repair the dish and cradle.

Robin Mills said that he would add the woodchip in the new year when the weather improved.

99/15/2 Village Walks Board. Cllr Greenacre said that he had repaired and cleaned the Village Walks board. Cllr Greenacre was thanked by the Chairman. Robin Mills said that he would check the Village Sign and make any repairs that were necessary.

117/15 Requests for items for the agenda of the next meeting

None.

119/15 Date and time of next meeting. The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 3rd February 2016** at Mutford Village Hall **7.00pm**.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Signed Chairman _____ Clerk _____ Date _____