

MINUTES OF THE ONEHOUSE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 11 MARCH 2019 AT 7.30 P.M. IN TRINITY HALL

Present: Cllrs Raisey (Chairman), Corker, Copping, Taylor, Willshire, Crissell and 7 members of the public.

A minutes silence was held in memory of Cllr Cruickshanks who died in February so that Cllrs could reflect on all she has done for the parish.

1. Apologies for absence. There were none.

2. To confirm and approve the minutes of the meetings 15 January 2019

The minutes were approved and signed.

3. To receive members Declarations of Interest on agenda items.

There were none.

4. Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 7.34 p.m.

5. Report from County Cllr Otton.

Suffolk County Council's 2019/20 budget was agreed on Thursday 14 February. This will see an increase in council tax of 3.99%, and savings across the council's directorates totaling £10.1m. The budget includes a cut to the grant funding provided by Suffolk County Council to Citizens Advice. This grant will be cut by 50% in 2019/20 (£184,000) and removed entirely in the 2020/21 budget. Thankfully, the CCGs have stepped in and agreed to provide Citizens Advice with £184,000 in funding this year, to make up for the 50% funding cut from Suffolk County Council. Council's latest budget monitoring report suggests the 2018/19 budget will be overspent by £5.9m. This is a reduction since quarter 2, when they were predicting an overspend of £7.5m. Following changes to the school travel policy, which will take effect in September 2019, eligible families must now "opt-in" to receive free school transport. Since Spring 2018, the Suffolk and Norfolk Clinical Commissioning Groups have been leading work on developing new mental health strategies for Suffolk. There is also a strong emphasis on prevention, wellbeing and expanding community/primary care mental health services. A shocking Ofsted report has highlighted the failures in Suffolk to support children with special needs. The council will have to make major changes if it does not want the government to come in and take over the service. The boundary commission is looking into a possible review of Suffolk county council divisions. Following a report from a resident I have reported the effluent seeping into the ditch at the junction of Finborough Road and Lower Road and the state of the footpath.

6. Report from District Cllr Matthissen

The 2019/20 budget has been agreed by Council in February. For many years MSDC has failed to spend more than a fraction of disabled facilities grants. The implementation of Suffolk-wide Civil Parking Enforcement by councils has been delayed by Brexit but a joint policy has been agreed for consultation. There is provision for a locality budget again in 2019/20.

Concerns were expressed by Onehouse Parish Councillors regarding MSDC borrowing a further £25m for property investment.

Residents advised that the bin lorry is reversing into a private garage area which is breaking up the surface and leaving bins away from where they are collected. Cllr Matthissen will take up this matter. The rubbish bin on the playing field has not been collected this week. The Clerk will contact MSDC.

The meeting reconvened at 8.04 p.m.

7. Planning Matters

a) To discuss and make recommendation to MSDC on the following applications and any received prior to this meeting.

19/00631 Application under Section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act – variation of condition 2 (approved plans and documents) and condition 17 (drainage) of planning permission 2452/14 & 18/04117 to accommodate revised details of dwelling to plot 11. Red Willows Trading Estate, Finborough Road - support.

19/00994 Erection of a single storey porch and alterations to carport. The Old Dairy, Lower Road - support.

19/01047 Erection of side fence (retention of). 9 Northfield Road – support.

b) To receive MSDC decisions on previously considered applications.

18/05425 Erection of single storey rear extension, first floor side extension and construction of a new conservatory roof – permission granted.

18/05158 Uncovering of fireplace and installation of a wood burning stove. Installation of liner within chimney. North Wing at Onehouse Hall, Lower Road – Listed Building consent granted.

19/00756 Non Material Amendment to DC/17/05790 - Omission of second hipped roof and addition of second gables to the extension to professional shop. Use of euroclad elite system 1 roofing colour to match existing. Professional Shop Stowmarket Golf Club Lower Road – permission granted.

8. Finances

To approve payment of the following invoices:

a) 18/056 £411.55 Mrs P Fuller salary & expenses January 2019

b) 18/057 £148.40 Suffolk County Council February 2019

c) 18/058 £216.00 Onehouse PCC room hire 2018/19

d) 18/059 501.54 Mrs P Fuller salary & expenses February 2019

e) 18/060 £148.40 Suffolk County Council March 2019 to be posted 5 April 2019

k) 18/065 £40.00 Information Commissioner annual renewal

Items a) – e) + k) were approved and cheques issued

To approve payment under Section 137:

f) 17/061 £250.00 Suffolk Accident Rescue Service

g) 17/062 £400.00 Mid Suffolk Citizens Advice Bureau

h) 17/063 £350.00 East Anglian Air Ambulance

i) 17/064 £200.00 Ipswich & East Suffolk Headway

Items f) – i) were approved and cheques issued

j) To receive monthly financial report from the Clerk

The balance of the Community Account at the end of February was 37,300.71.

Less this month's cheques totalling £2,665.69 and adjustments of £114.61 and £198.00 for advertising, the corrected figure is £34,947.63.

The Clerk has pursued the £198.00 from one advertiser without success. After discussion it was agreed to write off the bad debt.

9. Highways

a) To discuss the purchase of speed reduction signs and take any necessary action.

It was agreed to pursue speed reduction signs in various areas of the parish. Before taking the matter further the Clerk was asked to find out if planning permission is required, are there highways restrictions where they are located, cost per sign.

Action: the Clerk

10. To receive an update on the Paupers Graves site and take any necessary action.

A seat has been donated for the area and is being delivered next week and will be located in the west corner. Working parties continue. The spring bulbs are now looking very colourful.

11. To discuss development of land around the parish and take any necessary action.

Trees have been planted behind Star Cottages and drainage attenuators put in and fenced on the Taylor Wimpey site. TW is also working on the road system through the development installing utilities.

12. To discuss OHSMag/Onehouse website and take any necessary action.

The timing of invoicing for adverts was discussed and whilst it would be best to invoice in advance, this is the same time as all year end work needs to be carried out. It was agreed that quizzes and puzzles will be included but in black and white. The next issue is the 500th issue.

13. To receive correspondence/communications and to deal with any matters. Mrs Millar asking for information regarding records of those buried in the Paupers Graves area. The Clerk will advise that all records were destroyed in a fire when they were held by NHS. **The following items have been circulated to Cllrs:** SCC Trading Standards newsletter 16, 28, 31 January 13, 20, 27 February, 6 March. **MSDC** housing land supply position statement 2018/19, Election Register 2018/19, Communities Strategy consultation, Haughley NDP submission consultation, 2019 funding events February, paperless billing article for parish magazines, spring litter pick 2019, County Lines - members briefing, Town and Parish Liaison meeting 7 March, first advance notice of new CIL Bid round 3 opening 1 May and closing 31 May 2019, Harry's film – County Lines 20 March, nominations process and papers for parish elections 2 May. Suffolk **Police** Stowmarket SNT newsletters January/February, March. **Rural Services Network** rural bulletin 22, 29 January, 5, 12, 19, 26 February, 5 March, funding digest February, March. **Community Action Suffolk** news 30 January, 21 February, 7 March, upcoming funding events, Learning Lunch –handling grievances. **Headway Suffolk** spring fundraising events. **Xmas Carol on tour** information on play in December. **Back to Back Productions** UKTV paranormal series. **UK Power Networks** invitation: Local Government Forum. **SALC** Buckingham Palace Garden Party 2019, e-bulletin 18, 31 January, 8, 20 February, 1 March, The Local Councillor winter edition, school travel policy changes, free digital mapping for Town and Parish councils 25 February, Suffolk Design workshop 26 February, Ministry of Housing and Communities Local Government Communities Framework, pre-election period (purdah), NALC legal briefing March. **Suffolk Preservation Society** Heritage training 12 March. **Mid**

Suffolk CAB update on funding. Penny Otton and John Matthissen reports February.

14 To receive reports

a) Report from the Clerk

Lakeside Lower Road – planning permission 17/03300 for the erection of café building and associated works was granted 13 September 2017

Parish Precept 2019/20 – confirmation has been received from MSDC of 0.50% decrease on Band D property

Annual Parish Meeting – due to information received from SALC regarding pre-election period, the Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Monday 13 May 2019 at 7.30 p.m.

Internal Auditor – further names were put forward to ask if they will carry out on accounts 2018/19

b) Report from Community Speedwatch Scheme

5 checks have taken place since the end of January, details of 3 vehicles have been sent to the Police

15. Questions to the Chairman

An item on nominations for the council elections will appear in OHSMag. Cllr Copping is willing to take completed nomination forms to MSDC.

16. Items for next agenda

OHSMag/website, garden contractor for centre of the village, new signs 'welcome to Onehouse please drive slowly', development, Paupers Graves, speed reduction signs.

17. To confirm date, time and place of the next meeting as Monday 8 April 2019 at 7.30 p.m. in the Trinity Hall. Noted

The meeting closed at 9.05 p.m.

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