

MINUTES OF THE ONEHOUSE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 10 FEBRUARY 2020 AT 7.30 P.M. IN TRINITY HALL

Present: Cllrs Willshere (Chairman), Corker, Copping, Taylor, Crissell, Vile and 4 members of the public.

1. Apologies for absence. There were none.

2. To confirm and approve the minutes of the meetings 13 January 2020

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 7.32 p.m.

Cllr Crissell asked District Cllr Matthissen when and by whom the Hopkins Homes site off Union Road changed from a reserved site to a strategic site. Cllr Matthissen was unable to answer the question.

5. Report from County Cllr Otton.

The Leader of Suffolk County Council has announced that he will be recommending to his Cabinet that the Ipswich Northern Route should not proceed to the next phase of development.

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The proposals also include greater investment in outreach, with any savings from the closures or reduction in hours of centres being reinvested back into the outreach service. The report on school transport has now been published and has highlighted many of the problems that the new policy has had, in particular on the way it was difficult for parents to gain information.

The Cabinet has approved the roll-out of the third phase of Suffolk's superfast broadband programme with BT Openreach. Currently, 96% of properties in Suffolk have access to superfast broadband. Phase 3 will aim to reach a further 2% of properties, who are amongst the hardest to reach. In order to fund this, the council will reinvest the £10m of 'gainshare funding' that it has received from the first two contracts with BT Openreach.

The Cabinet has also approved the introduction of a permit scheme, which will require utility companies to apply for a permit from Suffolk Highways before digging up roads in The Leader of Suffolk County Council has announced that he will be recommending to his Cabinet that the Ipswich Northern Route should not proceed to the next phase of development. On 10 January, Suffolk County Council launched a consultation looking at the future of Children's Centres in the county. Currently there are 38 Children's Centres in Suffolk, and the council is proposing to convert 16 of them into full-time Family Hubs and 11 into part-time Family Hubs. A Family Hub will provide a wider range of services for families with children aged 0-19. A further nine centres will be repurposed for nursery or SEND provision, and the remaining two centres will be closed permanently. The

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SCC has confirmed that Section 106 money for the footpath from 22 Forest Road to Chilton Leys corner will not be triggered until the 100th house of Phase 2 of the Taylor Wimpey development is occupied. There is some confusion regarding the request for a footway from Red Willows development as there is a footway already although part has no kerb.

6 Report from District Cllr Matthissen

There is currently a review of enforcement processing and procedures. The long-term aim is to make the enforcement service swifter, more efficient and transparent, and it is hoped that this will be completed by the end of March. The budget and financial strategy will be agreed at Cabinet meeting on 10 February. It is proposed that there will be a Council Tax increase of 1.66%; equating to a £2.76 per year, 5p per week, increase for a Band D property. Following Cabinet agreement, the budget will be due for approval at Full Council on 27 February. Stowmarket Town Council and MSDC are funding a project to add 2 screens and refurbish the Regal in Stowmarket. Work is due to begin in March and should be complete by the end of the year. During this time some films will be shown at the John Peel Centre. *'Regal on the Road'*. Preparations are continuing for the transfer of parking enforcement from the Police to Suffolk County Council. Enforcement within our area will be managed by West Suffolk District Council, responsibility for dangerous parking will still rest with the police. The police will increase by 4.69% their element of Council Tax - equivalent to £9.99 per Band D property for the year or 19p per week. Suffolk Police are to recruit 54 extra police officers by March 2021; all costs associated with this are being met by a Central Government grant of £6million. Mid Suffolk District Council's cabinet has agreed to continue granting Citizens Advice £86,700 for each of the next three years, but overall CA face a sharply increasing workload but reduced funding overall. The scheme reaches its second year with even greater take up, last year one in five of every child born claimed their free tree, this year we have reached more than one in four.

Cllr Corker asked Cllr Matthissen regarding the reported improvements to the Leisure Centre. MSDC owns the building but it is run by SLM. MSDC will fund part if the improvements and if SLM get extra income following the refurbishment then MSDC grant to them will be reduced.

The meeting reconvened at 8.08 p.m.

7. Planning Matters

a) To discuss and make recommendation to MSDC on any applications received prior to this meeting. There were none.

b) To receive MSDC decisions on previously considered applications.

19/05474 Erection of detached garage with guest accommodation and associated landscaping (retrospective). This allows for the original garage to be retained. 1 North Lodge, Lower Road – granted. This means that EN19/00482 case has been closed.

8. Finances

To approve payment of the following invoices:

a)19/045 £315.60 Gipping Press February OHSMag
b)19/046 £504.00 V R Waspe & Sons grass cutting playing field
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c)19/047 £156.46 Suffolk County Council pension payment to be posted 5 March 2020

Items a)-c) + e) & f) were approved and cheques issued

d)To receive monthly financial report from the Clerk

The Community Account balance at the end of January was £39,059.25 but this has yet to be reconciled to the accounts book.

e)19/048 £22.80 Mr Taylor reimbursement for tree stakes for Paupers Graves

f)19/049 £700.00 Tomlinson Groundcare Ltd new John Deere mower for Pauper's Graves

9. To consider how to fill one casual vacancy by co-option and take any necessary action.

A resident from Lower Road may be interested and will attend the next meeting.

10. Highways

a) To receive an update on letters to residents regarding location of speed reduction signs and take any necessary action.

With the addition of a link to the website for the grid references, the letters are ready to be distributed to residents in Forest Road and Lower Road. An item will also be included in March OHSMag.

The white lines at Chilton Leys corner have been repainted.

Concerns were expressed regarding the siting of road closed/diversion signs at Starhouse Lane.

11. To consider costs for a defibrillator and locked cabinet to be sited on the wall of OHS Community Centre and take any necessary action.

There is no maintenance included in the package with AEDdonate. Cllrs will therefore need to make provision within the precept for maintenance and replacement of items as necessary. The Clerk was asked to place the order with AEDdonate.
Action: the Clerk

12. To discuss CIL available to the parish and take any necessary action.

Cllr Crissell is still investigating this matter.
Action: Cllr Crissell

13. To consider employing a handyman for various jobs around the parish and take any necessary action.

Cllrs Corker and Crissell will draft a job description, consider risk assessment and appropriate salary.
Action: Cllrs Corker & Crissell

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

A gentleman researching his family has visited the site as his great grandfather is buried here and was delighted that it is such a tranquil area.

The Olive Academy would like to get pupils doing some project in the area. It was agreed that they can visit an area of the site under the supervision of the teachers and support staff but not during working parties.
Action: Cllr Taylor

£134.94 was approved for the hire of a rotavator and scarifier to be used at the site. (19/050)

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

No planning application has been seen yet regarding the Pegasus/Endeavour proposal for land south of Union Road. Cllr Willshire has written to the Environment Agency and Highways regarding the environmental issues and
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flooding from the Hopkins Homes site. The show homes for this site are at DCP level. The Red Willows development is progressing.

16. To discuss OHSMag/Onehouse website and take any necessary action.
The Facebook page is now live and needs to be linked to the website.

Action: Cllr Vile

17. To receive correspondence/communications and to deal with any matters. **MSDC** Community Governance Review, further information to follow in April. **The following items have been circulated to Cllrs: Rural Services Network** Rural Bulletin 14, 21, 28 January, 4 February, Rural Funding Digest February. **SCC** Trading Standards news 16, 23, 30 January, 6 February. **SALC** new GDPR workshop, ebulletin 24 January, 7 February, Ipswich Northern Route – Strategic Outline Business Case published, The Local Councillor Winter January edition. **Community Action Suffolk** news 27 January, 6 February. **Onehouse PCC** Trinity Hall new toilets user group information. **Suffolk Police** PCC asks for your views of his precept proposals, Constable County February. MSDC Town & Parish Liaison meeting agenda 4 February, dog & litter bin charges 2020/21.

18. To receive reports

a) Report from the Clerk

Ash Road open space consultation results – A large majority of residents are in favour of the open space being a half mow site, selecting the option where only the perimeter is to be cut regularly with the middle section being left as a natural long grass area.

Buckingham Palace Garden Party – our nomination was not successful this year.

b) Report from Community Speedwatch Scheme

Two sessions have taken place with no recording over the speed limit.

19. Questions to the Chairman

The Chairman was asked to present bouquets to two residents of Chilton Meadows who reach the age of 100 on 9 April and 28 May. She will be delighted.

20. Items for next agenda

Speed signs, defibrillator, co-option of Councillor, CIL, handyman, Paupers Graves, OHSMag/website/Facebook, Community Speedwatch.

21. To confirm date, time and place of the precept meeting as Monday 9 March 2020 at 7.30 p.m. in the Trinity Hall. Noted.

The meeting closed at 9.14 p.m.

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