

Copdock & Washbrook Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Council meeting
held on Tuesday 11 January 2022 at Copdock cricket pavilion - 7.30pm

Present: Cllr Keith Armes, DC Dave Busby, Cllr Laura Butters, Cllr Louise Carman, Cllr Terry Corner (Chairman), Cllr James Mellish, Cllr Mike Watling, 1x residents, Clerk - Angela Chapman. CC Christopher Hudson via Teams.

2086/2122 Chairman's Welcome & Apologies: Chairman Corner welcomed all to the meeting. Apologies: Cllr Simon Downey. Apologies accepted.

2087/2122 Declaration of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests: Cllr Mike Watling – C&W Tennis club; Cllr Louise Carman – Carman 4Seasons Ltd.

2088/2122 Requests for dispensations in respect of pecuniary interests: None.

2089/2122 Minutes: Minutes of the meeting held on 7 December 2021 approved as a true record.

2090/2122 Clerk's Report including Matters Arising

Unity Trust bank – awaiting switch of funds which should happen by the end of this week (14/01/2022). The PC will then have full online banking.

A letter has been received from the village hall Treasurer regarding the ground rent paid to the Parish Council. This item is on the agenda for this evenings meeting.

One of the allotments has an excessive array of sheds and buildings which do not meet with the Terms & Conditions of the allotment site. Despite, various letters, and chats with the tenant the sheds still remain. As invoices and Terms & Conditions are sent out in January it was considered a good time to sort out the issue. Chairman Terry Corner is aware.

One Casual Vacancy.

2091/2122 Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 1938hrs

CC Chris Hudson –via Teams. Cllr Laura Butters confirmed forms for funds from CC Chris Hudson's SCC Locality Budget for playgroup returned, no monies received to date. CC CH confirmed he is donating money towards a bore hole for Cricket Club, work to start in March 2022. CC CH confirmed he is in talks with the Babergh Planning department.

DC Dave Busby – report sent by email and distributed. DC Dave Busby confirmed the oak tree in Folly Lane is still under discussion, the BDC tree officer is in discussion with the insurance company of the resident. Tree officer has indicated the tree shouldn't come down. Developer kept DC DB informed. There is BDC grants available for village halls, hospitality. PC to advise village hall committee.

Joint Local Plan – DC DB reported that the PC was probably aware the Inspector was not keen on the JLP Babergh submitted. Inspector didn't like allocation of land for housing, there was not enough evidence for selected plots. The Plan has now been split in two, Social and Environmental policies will come into force soon, housing distribution will be revisited. Planning applications approved and Neighbourhood Plan covers 90% of housing. Capel St Mary have no Neighbourhood Plan therefore some housing may not go ahead. Ipswich Fringe has been hit hard. BDC currently have 6.37 years of housing.

Council meetings to be virtual, with no face to face meetings, no decisions can be made at virtual meetings as there is no legislation in place. First Cabinet meeting will be held Monday, virtually.

Hadleigh & Sudbury leisure centres, both car parks have had solar panels installed which will reduce the energy bills. 0% carbon emissions target by 2030.

Meeting reconvened 1959hrs.

2092/2122 Planning Applications:

Appendix A

DC/21/06478 APPLICATION FOR OUTLINE PLANNING PERMISSION

Proposal: Outline Planning Application (Access to be considered, all other matters reserved) -
Erection of 1 No dwelling

Location: Land To The North Of The Mane Riding Centre, Old London Road, Copdock And Washbrook, Suffolk IP8 3JF

Deadline: 13 Jan 2022

This site is not in the Neighbourhood Plan policy. Request extra time on deadline.
Parish Council to investigate the history of the site. Comments to follow.

DC/21/06672

Request for formal Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Scoping Opinion - Bury St Edmunds to Colchester Water Pipeline Scheme affecting parishes as per Schedule A
Bury To Colchester Pipeline Scheme

Deadline: 13 Jan 2022

No objection.

DC/21/06541

Erection of single storey covered canopy to south elevation of Cricket Pavilion.

Planning Application

Sports Ground Old London Road Copdock And Washbrook Suffolk

Deadline: 13 Jan 2022

No objection.

Appendix B

Planning Applications determined by Babergh DC

DISCHARGE OF CONDITION(S)

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

Proposal: Discharge of Conditions application for DC/20/01245 - Condition 3 (External Materials)

Location: Former Football Ground North East Of, Elm Lane, Copdock And Washbrook, Suffolk

2093/2122 Financial Matters & RFO Report

- a) payments for approval - approved as per payments list in accounting reports – Cllr K Armes & Cllr Mike Watling to sign. Cllr L Carman checked Scribe reports, Chair T Corner signed reports off.
- b) Precept setting for financial year 2022/23 – Council unanimously approved £36,150 precept figure
- c) review and approve amended Internal Control Statement for 2021/22– reviewed and approved the document. Council to review the Internal Control test in March and Sept each year.
- d) Copdock village hall rent – coordinate through Village Hall Chair Sally Watson. Request a face-to-face meeting, Clerk to do chronological line of documents to move forward and to document for the future.
- e) Cost of BDC litter and dog waste bin emptying – no change from last year.

Scribe accounting reports for the month distributed – payments list, cash book, bank reconciliation, copy of bank statement to month end.

Scribe accounting reports checked by Cllr Louise Carman and approved and signed by Chairman Terry Corner.

2094/2122 Play areas review

- a) Quotes and grants funding for new children's play equipment, update from Cllrs Laura Butters and Mike Watling. Quotes to be obtained from Playdale for next meeting. A survey of the students from the primary school to ask which equipment they prefer. The cost of removing old kit was enquired about, PC have funds to do this.
- b) Consider quote for extending bark area under equipment at Mill Lane – approved. Cllr James Mellish advised he would like to build a willow hangout in Mill Lane, Council approved, Cllr JM to lead. PC can apply for funding, £2,500 from CAS. DSC Dave Busby advised to try BDC grants too.

2095/2122 Defibrillators

Cllr Mike Watling confirmed all possible users of the defibrillator on the village hall wall have the code for the cabinet.

2096/2122 Quiet Lanes

Cllr James Mellish updated and reported an email had been received confirming Church Lane had been surveyed, Back Lane and Folly Lane have been validated and will be surveyed. Deadline 22/1/22, by

this time the PC need to have carried out a public consultation for Wave 4. As this is not possible, suggest wait for next round of funding i.e. Wave 5. Cllr James Mellish will put a piece in In Touch and on Facebook for a volunteer to drive it forward if an extension to deadline can be confirmed.

2097/2122 Infrastructure Developments

- a) Neighbourhood Plan – Cllr Louise Carman reported there is no more grant money available ,as request have to be over £1,000. PC needs to pay consultants final bill, approx.. £200 plus printing. PC approved to pay when necessary.
- b) Infrastructure Business Plan & Pye Road cycleway update – no update.

2098/2122 Matters to be brought to the attention of the Council

Jo Hobbs, Planning/ BDC – still no date for meeting, forward last email requesting date and cc DC Dave Busby.

Paul Scarfe BDC enforcement issue – still with Inspectorate.

Queens Jubilee – PC will support any organisations in the village who want to put an event on.

Tree planting for Queen’s Platinum Jubilee, trees requested.

Bus shelter at Folly Lane needs refurbishment.

Village Hall naming/ dedication ceremony – move to March, Clerk to confirm date. Send invites to all village organisation, and anyone in the village who knew Peter & Jennifer Jones. RSVP only.

Items for next agenda:

Queens Jubilee events

VH rent

Play equipment

VH Naming/dedication ceremony

Meeting closed at 2141hrs.

Next meeting – Tuesday 1 February 2022 at Copdock Cricket Pavilion, 7.30pm.