

MEETING OF CAMPSEA ASHE PARISH COUNCIL – TUESDAY 16th November 2021, 19.45 at Village Hall

PRESENT/ Participants: Richard Fernley (RF), Eddie Berger (EB), Gary Lydford (GD), Nathan Wills (NW); Derick Balaam (DB), Klaus Fortmann, clerk (KF), SCC Councillor Alexander Nicoll and four members of public

21.37 Apologies Clare Reid (CR), Shaun Wilson (SW), ESC Cllr Poulter

21.38 Declarations of interest none

21.39 To consider requests for dispensation on agenda items - none

21.40 Minutes of the last Parish Council meeting dated 21st Sept 2021

Notes approved as an accurate record and signed by EB

21.41 Public Participation

Members of public attended to discuss agenda points SizewellC (21.43.1) Planning Livery (21.43.4) & Chantry Close 21.43.2 & Green Village Initiative/Wild About Campsea 21.46.6

(Though discussed at beginning, kept in minutes in order of agenda points)

21.42 Highways

1) to discuss the new SCC Highways Lorry Route consultation.

Clerk advised that current proposal appeared to have no material changes to situation in CA and clerk will engage in consultation, to convey continuing grave concern about how busy and dangerous B1078 has already become, even though not being part of suggested Lorry Route. Cllr AN suggested to inform the Joint Parish Traffic Initiative (JPTI Bentwaters) partner PC's (x7) about importance of this consultation. **KF**

2) HGV – Ivy Lodge Road (ILR) TRO; Works still have not started. Clerk stated, Highways apparently being affected by global supply issues. Clerk to follow up. **KF**

3) Other Highway matters;

The previously highlighted issues of potholes on B1078, continuing flooding problems on Mill Lane/B1078 junction at Hells Corner, as well as overgrown hedges that create dangerous situations on various locations on the B1078 have been partly attended, and clerk will stay in contact with SCC Highways in that matter. **KF**

21.43 Planning Matters

The PC's Planning Committee will be discussing Planning applications received prior to general PC meetings, if the deadline is before actual meeting dates and there is a high perceived impact of the application on the village.

1)SizewellC

A resident reported that he attended the Wickham Market EDF traffic calming consultation, having talked to an SCC Highways official about traffic impacts and signage requirements to avoid more traffic using the B1078 eastwards, that signage banning ALL HGV will be put in place. That appeared to be contrary to what had been discussed at previous EDF/PC meetings (signs advising only HGV heading for Sizewell) and Cllr AN asked clerk to write him an email to investigate this. **KF**

The resident also urged the PC to engage politically with ESC and SCC once the consultation period is over and issues being dealt with by ESC and SCC independently. It was stated that ESC Cllr CP should put increased pressure on ESC re impacts. Chair and Clerk attended a meeting of ca 15 PCs at Snape, to discuss how to further engage with EDF and ESC/SCC to ensure best possible outcomes for communities and agreed to continue to co-operate with each other.

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Therefore a meeting with the Director at BEIS for nuclear to consult affected communities by SizewellC is being organised by AEPAS. This will discuss impacts on communities. Clerk and chair will attend to convey our issues, especially the feared traffic impacts.

2) Chantry Lane Issues

Clerk updated on communication with and G&C solicitors, and their counter threat of reporting PC for breach of duty. Their response was made available to all Cllrs prior to meeting. Clerk requested for chair and vice chair to review files to ensure that all past correspondence have been correctly interpreted and responded to as well as reviewing files in hand. Clerk or Chair to collect files held by G&C solicitors to be copied and forwarded to new solicitors. Comments were made that we now seem finally getting some 'advise' from G&C, something that seemed lacking over the previous years. Clerk will ensure that new solicitor's (Birketts) agreement will include a cursory assessment of former solicitor's actions.

Member of public suggested for clerk to make direct application with Land Registry (cost of £32). **KF**

Clerk has continued to be in communication with Orwell Housing Association about ownership and co-operation when they proceed with building the remaining four homes.

See also 21.46.6

3) to update on Joint Parish Traffic Initiative (Bentwaters)

Clerk together with chair continue to represent PC and are awaiting the SCC Highways September data collection analysis meeting.

4) to update on developments re new livery proposal on Ivy Lodge Road;

Members of public updated PC on findings and actions they are undertaking in investigating the proposed development on ILR. Residents repeatedly expressed concern re impacts the (pre-planning) proposed development will have on them and the environment. Clerk reported that a Planning Application has not been received up to today's meeting. Clerk also reported that ESC Planning (listed) responded to the PC's inquiry, whether it would be possible to 'list' or propose for the historic Ash Green area to become a designated heritage-asset, and was advised that not being possible. **KF**

5) to discuss the Tunstall Forest Consultation.

The PC discussed above consultation and clerk reported on concerns raised that PC's were not given adequate time and information to be involved. Cllr Poulter also expressed concern and Tunstall PC is pressing for a meeting with the English Forestry Commission to clarify what is actually being proposed. Chair thought this being more a standard maintenance and management issue, with the aim of re-instating more heath land, rather than increased commercial exploitation of this valuable recreational and environmental resource used by many residents. Clerk to report on further developments. **KF**

6) to discuss new consultations by ESC

Responses will be submitted (time permitting) by; see AP in red

1 Sustainable Construction **KF**

2 Affordable Housing **KF**

3 Cycling & Walking strategy **RF**

21.44 Play Area

NW and DB reported on the findings of Playground Inspection report and relayed that no serious issues are to be addressed, other than maintenance/repair of benches, tables, signage and a new seat for the zip wire. Members will advise on costs. **DB**

Clerk expressed concern that there will soon be the time that more financial input will be required to repair and upkeep equipment.

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21.45 Village Hall Matters.

RF reported that VH is considering a combine fete event/party in the summer. Works on the WC refurb have not started as quotes are still being considered (ca£23K worth of works)

21.46 Clerks Report

1) The clerk presented meeting dates for 2022 (3rd Tuesday every 2nd month, starting Jan 18th) The meetings will now be held at Station House starting at 19.00.

2) Although clerk reported working hours of 28hrs for both Sept & Oct, still having exceeded total contractual hours by 80.5 this year so far. The working hours will continue to be monitored and clerk hopes that work load will subside in new year to be able to go on the new contracted 28hrs/week.

3) Nearly 30 Village Questionnaires have been returned but PC will wait a little further for detailed analysis. It has become clear that there being particular interest for Community Gardening and Keep fit/ sport activities at the playing field. Clerk to appeal to residents to return VQ's, to analyse the returns and report to PC. **KF**

4) Community Partnership matter. The CP is looking at extending the Katch bus area of operation, to include further stops between Framlingham and Campsea Ashe. Costs (relatively high) were commented on. Clerk reported that he is awaiting official confirmation of change in PC's membership area, which is supposedly the original Framlingham/Wickham Market CP. The deadline for grant application for the next round of funding projects is January but might be different at Fram/Wickham Market CP.

5) Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebration – due to Cllr CR absence, this point has to be carried forward to next PC meeting. **CP**

6) Wild About Campsea (WAC)

PM on behalf of WAC talked through recent development, which included the potential discovery that Chantry Close might have become home to a number of rare wildlife species and that there might even be a small pond in the shrubland. Apparently residents reported sightings of Nightingales and Cetti warblers (schedule 1 protected), as well as Red Kites, buzzards and owls. As a result, WAC decided to shift focus on Playing Field as an area of first engagement and is trying to organise a survey by a local experienced wild life specialist to conduct a bird & insect survey. The PC agreed to give a small contribution to the local specialist to establish potential wild life issues. PM had written a letter detailing above, which was distributed to all Cllr's.

PM also referred to a legal specialist in Blaxhall which might be able to advise the PC on Chantry Close matters. Clerk to follow up in these matters. **KF**

7) The clerk will investigate costs to extend distribution of Parish magazine (by PCC) to all residents, as this is being done by other PC's and will help residents to stay informed about events. **KF**

21.47 RFO Report

1/. RFO has produced following statement;

Income received (BANKED)

Precept	£	0.00
	£	0.00 Bank Interest
Balance on 30/10/21		£10197.69 in Community Account (Current)

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£ 3684.82 in Business Savings Account
£13882.60 Total

Cheques authorised

E22/19	N Wills wreath	£ 17.00	
E22/17	Clerk salary	£ 616.37	
E22/18	Clerks expenses	£ 85.31	
E22/12	Playground Inspect	£ 96.00	D Brace reissue of prev cheque 100729
E22/16	CAS Web host	£ 60.00	
E22/15	SALC payroll serv	£ 27.00	
E22/03-8&9	email subs x2	£ 8.40	/4.2 mnth DD IONOS
	Total	£910.08	

(Expenditure Yr to date all incl. £4176.24)

Balance after approved/uncashed cheques £12972.52
Of which Earmarked Funds £ 7087.28

2/ Budget / Precept 2022/23

Details had been previously sent to council. This was presented by the RFO and briefly explained. As time was short and a more detailed consideration was required it was decided to delay acceptance of budget until the January meeting. This would allow Cllrs more to time to consider the proposal.

21.36 Correspondence received

- 1 Solicitors response to Chantry Close matters – copied to members
- 2 The Queens Platinum Jubilee – to be investigated by Cllr CR and discussed at next meeting
- 3 SALC Neighbourhood Watch info – information forwarded to all members
- 4 WAC letter re Chantry Close

Date of next meeting to be held on Tuesday 16th November at 7.45 in the Village Hall.

Bold red initialled (xx) points refer to specific actions to be undertaken

Klaus Fortmann, Clerk
05/10/2021