

MEETING OF CAMPSEA ASHE PARISH COUNCIL – TUESDAY 27th
September 2022, 19.00 at Station House

PRESENT/ Participants: Eddie Berger (EB), Clare Reid (CR), Hannah Pauly (HP) Shaun Wilson (SW), ESC Cllr Poulter, SCC Cllr A Nicoll, Klaus Fortmann, clerk (KF)
And two members of public

22.26 Apologies Maxime Hammond (MH), Nigel Pringle (NP)

22.27 Declarations of interest none

22.28 To consider requests for dispensation on agenda items - none

22.29 Minutes of the last Parish Council meeting dated 19th July 2022

Notes approved as an accurate record and signed by EB;

22.30 Public Participation

Two members of public attended and item 22.36/3 Ease the Squeeze/Warm Rooms was discussed

22.31 Recruitment

The PC has a vacant seat and PC decided to renew efforts in recruiting a new member, preferably from the Mill Lane area and also a younger generation resident.

There are potential interested residents from the Ivy Lodge Road area, but the PC will await response from a renewed effort by members to recruit.

Clerk to renew appeal one more time on Next Door.

KF & members

22.32 Highways

1) JPTI; Clerk reported on re-scheduling efforts re next meeting of PC's with ESC & SCC (officers and Cllrs) to discuss further the traffic issues in the area.

During the process of JPTI discussions, including reviewing statements and documents collated over the past few years, it has become apparent, that ESC wants to further increase use of Bentwaters, remove the traffic limitations and is using the Local Plan as the justification for such move. As a result of further investigation into traffic data, a member of Eyke PC discovered discrepancies between capacity warnings and such warnings not being reflected/represented in the Local Plan.

Clerk presented a summary of findings in support of a motion, to call for an inquiry into ESC's seeming misrepresentation within the Local Plan of known current and future traffic impacts. Clerk summarised issues (historic) with detailing statements / events, which supported that motion. He also relayed past actions of ESC/SCDC Planning that seemed to demonstrate a surprising lack of enforcement and general leniency by the planners towards the Bentwaters & Debach Industrial Site owners.

Several documents seemed to clearly show, that ESC had not mentioned (in its 2019 Local Plan) known traffic issues surrounding several junctions and the A1152 in particular. A key document was the WSP traffic analysis used to create the Local Plan and which stated capacity issues at various junctions in the area. Those capacity issues were not mentioned in ESC's Local Plan, nor were they referred to at the public hearing (date) with the Inspector querying whether there were any known issues in the area. In discussions, the demand for an inquiry was deemed of importance by all PC members, especially in the light of the likely further expansion of the Bentwaters industrial site, something that would create increased traffic impacts. Cllr Nicoll again referred the threat of further impacts when the site would get involved in hosting subcontractors linked to SizewellC and the Renewable Projects in the near future. It was further recognised, that the inquiry demand might be the only way for parishes to achieve an appropriate and sustainable development goal for the Bentwaters area.

Cllr Poulter suggested to involve ESC Cabinet members Transport & Planning.

Clerk reported that he is awaiting advice from SALC on how to progress appropriately, to clarify the legal process and to ensure that the matter is being dealt with appropriately by the LPA. Members unanimously voted for the PC to demand an inquiry (to start the appropriate process) and to engage with other PC's for it to become a more powerful joint PC letter.

Members felt it being important for chair and clerk to continue the engagement with ESC and SCC via the JPTI. Both County & District Councillors supported the motion.

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22.33 Planning Matters

1) re enforcement inquiry/request DC/21/5506/FUL land at 4 Mill View, Mill Lane

After receiving notification of a possible breach of a planning application, ESC Planning has issued an enforcement notice on the large shed having been build outsider the village envelope.

A member of the public relayed that the owner was led to belief by the planners, that it would be acceptable for him to build the shed. The PC maintained that it could not comment on possible interactions between landowner and LPA, especially as it was not involved in any communications, other than clearly stating from the beginning its concern of possible spread of the site.

2) re update on SP array Loudham, DC/21/5550/FUL

Clerk reported to have objected to the updated application, re-iterating concerns of strong visual impacts on the Deben Valley setting. Suffolk Preservation Society equally objected on similar grounds.

3) re update re DC/21/4896/FUL, Livery proposal ILR;

PC had not received further information. Residents had reported that there are issues along footpaths, due to the draining works done earlier in the year, creating deep crevasses that could cause injury.

2)Neighbourhood Plan

CR updated on limited progress but that a committee can be set up shortly. Preparation for an open day, to inform and discuss the NP with the villagers, to

A ensure there is sufficient support for the NP and if so to

B establish preferences and concerns.

If there is no sufficient feedback from residents the NP will not progress

CR/NP/KF

22.34 Play Area

1) CR presented the PC with more detailed costings provided by TS. Costs are now estimated to be in the region of £3500, with £1500 secured at this stage.

There might be insurance issues, which could be covered by being part in the official League. CR to establish situation/costs of being member in league.

2) Clerk reported that DB is continuing to look after the area, with no major new issues at hand. The proposed Boules area might impact on small area, which is being looked at by TS. Clerk commissioned Safety Inspection to take place shortly.

3) C&S has now provided a new route in a proposal sent to clerk & VH chair. It was suggested to have a site meeting and to discuss all relevant issues afterwards with C&S

CR/KF/TS

22.35 Village Hall

A VH meeting is due to take place to update on last few months activities. VH have registered their accounts for 2021/22 with the Charity Commission.

KF

22.36 Clerks Report

1) Wild About Campsea

The cabin has now been built, painted and furnished, with the Community Garden Area having had a good 1st harvest of tomatoes, beans, courgettes, strawberries and more. ESC Community officer made a visit, for which PM prepared a report. The officer was so impressed, that he is going to visit again to show colleagues of what has been established here. There will be a celebratory BBQ with all volunteers on Oct 1st, with residents welcome to join. PC expressed special thanks to Cllr Carol Poulter for supporting the projects with grants.

2) Chantry Close

Further attempts to bring the land ownership issue to a conclusion with the family of the last owners have not borne any results and NP suggested now to contact ESC planning, stating that PP for the remaining houses should be revoked, as the s106 agreement was never completed and that we intent to pursue the Council for their negligence in never ensuring that the transfer was enacted. NP suggest to look into what amount we would

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require for renovation of the VH and use that as a target figure (as it might be lower than the land with planning for some homes), as there is potentially no realisable value in the land to us if it has fallen to the Crown. PC agreed that a letter to ESC would be the best solution. **NP/KF**

3) Clerk had approached Station House (SH) re possible action with regards to the unfolding cost of living crisis. SH summarised their approach to Warm Room / Ease the Squeeze initiative, just announced by ESC. It was a little early to determine which category SH might be able to fall into (Comfort Food, Warm Room, ..) and SH agreed to keep PC informed on developments. SH stated that they do have a general 'open door' policy anyway, with people welcome to sit in café or green room, without having to purchase anything. Clerk together with SH will draft occasional message to be published on NextDoor, to draw attention to events/actions, if/when they come up. **KF**

4) Clerk suggested to cut his working hours, but PC rejected this, as the coming months will become busier again, especially with regards to traffic and NP initiatives. Clerk to continue to monitor working hours and keep PC updated.

22.37 RFO Report

1) The updated Asset Register was approved by the PC to be used as a foundation for the insurance renewal.

2) The PC accepted the new insurance contract with a discounted 3-year tie-in.

3/. RFO has produced following statement;

Balance on 30/08/22	£ 9609.75 in Community Account (Current)
	£ 3685.37 in Business Savings Account
	<u>£13295.12 Total</u>

Income received (BANKED)	0
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Cheques authorised

E23/18	various WAC / ESC grant 2	£ 423.47 fittings etc
E23/19	Clerk salary	£ 618.69
E23/20	CAS	£ 695.97 Insurance
E23/21	Marrett WAC / ESC grant 2	£ 106.78 paints cabin

Total	<u>£ 1844.91</u>
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(Expenditure Yr to date all incl. £10376.43)

Balance after approved/uncashed cheques	<u>£11326.81</u>
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(Of which Earmarked Funds	£ 5489.88)
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Clerk reminded Finance Committee members to meet prior to next PC meeting to discuss budget for 2023/24. PC members might want to consider what actions the PC might want to undertake which might have financial implications.

Clerk to prepare draft budget proposal for members to scrutinize within next few weeks.

22.38 Correspondence received

1 SALC updates & newsletters as forwarded to members

2 ICO registration renewal is being processed

Date of next meeting to be held on Tuesday 15th November at 19.00 in Station House.

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

Klaus Fortmann, Clerk

20/7/2022