

# MEETING OF CAMPSEA ASHE PARISH COUNCIL, Tuesday 19th September 2023, 19.00 at Station House

PRESENT/ Participants: Eddie Berger (EB), Hannah Pauly (HP), Shaun Wilson (SW), Clare Reid (CR), SCC Cllr Alexander Nicoll (AN), ESC Cllr Sally Noble (SN), Klaus Fortmann, clerk (KF) and members of the public

**23.25 Apologies** Nigel Pringle (NP)

23.26 Declarations of interest none

23.27 To consider requests for dispensation on agenda items - none

#### 23.28 To approve

Minutes of the last Parish Council meeting dated 18th July 2023

Notes approved as an accurate record and signed by EB;

## 23.29 Public Participation

Members of public attending participated in discussion re 23.30/23.31/23.32/23.33&34

### 23.30 Highways & Transport Issues

- 1) The continuing issues around HGV usage of Ivy Lodge Road will be monitored by the clerk and mentioned in the ongoing discussions/meetings with JPTI/ESC/SCC.
- 2)Current traffic speeding initiatives were discussed;
- a/The PC agreed that a blanket approach for 20mph within the village (20 is plenty initiative) was not suitable, whilst acknowledging that it would be welcomed on specific road or lanes within Campsea Ashe.
- b/The PC agreed to send a letter to SCC regarding the recent discussions of bringing the national speed limit of 60mph on rural lanes down to 50mph. It was agreed that the current speed limit is dangerous on small lanes within the boundaries of the village, as recent incidents have demonstrated. **KF**
- 3) Clerk conveyed a detailed analysis done by Bromeswell PC re incidents on the A1152. The subject matter will be brought up at the next JPTI meetings with SCC/ESC.
- 4) Station House updated on Katch developments and presented a new leaflet that is clearer on the protracted issue of labelling of Campsea Ashe and the train station. Whilst there is some progress in the matter, it far from being resolved on a wider (Network Rail/Greater Anglia) level. Chair thanked SH for their continued engagement in the matter.

## 23.31 Planning Matters

- 1) Clerk to submit comment re the Custom & Self Build Housing Planning Document consultation, expressing concern about CIL avoidance for self build that appear not to be build for own usage, as had occurred recently in the village. **KF**
- 2) Neighbourhood Plan; The PC decided to continue with the NP, even though a key member had to withdraw from the project. There is concern about availability of people to drive the plan forward, but generally it was felt it could proceed successfully. Funding is now in place and PC will need to apply. CR to clarify real costs with Rachel Leggett Associates, as there seem to be some confusion about the exact amount available. PC's own costs have been estimated to be £1500-£2000 over a two year period. CR/KF 3)DC/23/3049/FUL Ash Abbey conversion of former sports complex to housing; the PC has no objections
- 4) It was suggested to invite ESC Chief Executive Chris Bally to a visit of Campsea Ashe.

#### 23.32 Play Area / Recreation ground

1) There has been no further progress re Boules court. Clerk awaiting response from VH.  $\sf CR$  to contact TS/.  $\sf CR$ 



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2) Clerk updated on standard maintenance requirements as well as damaged equipment due to vandalism. Costs of ca £900 were quoted, but clerk is querying some of the costs. As costs of the vandalism related damage are below £300, an insurance claim is judged uneconomical.

## 23.33 Village Hall

- 1) Easement has not progressed; Clerk awaiting response from VH who is managing the legal side of the proposal
- 2) WTFC likes to use playing field over weekends by creating two small pitches. PC looked into insurance issues (none, as WTFC has own players insurance, Clerk checked with Insurer) and it was agreed for VH to handle the hiring issue. Fees to be taken and held by VH. The possible damage of VH floor was brought up, something VH is already aware of and has plans in place to safeguard the floor.
- 3) It was noted that the VH sign will require updating. Clerk to contact VH committee. KF

### 23.34 Clerks Report

- 1) PC was updated on WAC activities and plans. Several meetings will take place for residents to partake in the Hedgehog Highways project ( $18^{th}$  Nov) as well as the Village Tidy  $14^{th}$  October).
- 2) o keep residents informed re WAC. It was agreed for this to remain WAC focused and that the PC might support it financially in future, if funding becomes an issue.
- 3) It was suggested for the PC & WAC to create a road rubbish clearance event. KF
- 4) Clerk reported on a meeting with WM TC re footpath signage. Clerk to investigate re missing signage near Ashmoor Hall Farm.
- 5) An initiative re School Uniform support for lower income families has been started by ESC. SN pointed out it might work for CA. CR to investigate the matter and see if applicable to CA.

## 23.35 RFO Report

1/ The updated Asset Register for 2023/24 was approved by the PC

2) RFO has produced following statement;

Income received (31/08/23)

£ 0

**Balance on 31/08/23** £12172.87 in Community Account (Current) £ 3700.85 in Business Savings Account

£15873.72 Total

#### Cheques authorised

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E24/15	K Fortmann	£ 675.00	Clerks salary
E24/13	ESC Election	£ 56.10	
E24/14	Hedgehogs R Us	£ 157.50	
E24/16	CAS / Ansvar	£ 732.50	PC insurance 23/24

Total £ 1621.10

(Expenditure Yr to date all incl. £4131.35)

Balance after approved/uncashed cheques (incl ECB grant) £ 14252.57

- 3) Earmarked Funds: It was agreed to move £543.9 from Election fund to General Maintenance & small projects fund.
- 4) Finance Committee to meet prior to next PC meeting to discuss Budget 24/25.



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## 23.36 Correspondence received

- SALC updates & newsletters as forwarded to members

Date of next meeting to be held on Tuesday  $21^{\rm st}$  November at 19.00 in Station House.

Bold red initialled (xx) points refer to specific actions to be undertaken Klaus Fortmann, Clerk 02/10/23