



CREETING ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held **online via Zoom**, Creting St Mary on **Monday, 14th September 2020 at 7.30pm.**

Present:

Councillors: S Haynes (Chair)
H Craggs
R Coton
P Scully
N Smart
L Plummer
J Palmer

In Attendance: J Blackburn - Clerk
District Cllr M Norris

Representatives from Anglian Water

CSM61/20/21 – PUBLIC FORUM

There were two members of the public present.

CSM62/20/21 – TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE

Apologies had been received from Cllr Hicks.

CSM63/20/21 – TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Smart and Cllr Craggs declared an interest in part of item 9 on the Agenda.

CSM64/20/21 – TO RECEIVE APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION

None had been received.

CSM65/20/21 - TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 27TH JULY 2020

It was AGREED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 27th July 2020 be approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.

CSM66/20/21 – TO RECEIVE THE COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – CLLR M HICKS

Cllr Hicks was not present but his report had been circulated prior to the meeting and would be made available on the Parish Council website.

CSM67/20/21 – TO RECEIVE THE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – CLLRS NORRIS & CLLR PHILLIPS

Cllr Norris briefly went through his report which had been circulated prior to the meeting. The report would be made available on the Parish Council's website.

CSM68/20/21 – PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Ref: DC/20/03344 - Full Planning Application - Erection of 1no. eco-dwelling - Eric's Field, Flordon Road, Suffolk, Creting St Mary IP6 8NJ

Miss Hardingham, applicant, was present at the meeting. She explained that the proposal was for an eco-home to be built at her parents' farm. The entrance to the development would be from the southern end of the field, close to the Breheny site, on Flordon Road, where visibility would be greater. She confirmed that the site was outside of the flood zone and had no agricultural restrictions.

During a general discussion members made the following observations:

- the site was part of the Gipping Valley area where the planning rules stated that "no other houses should be built without good reason". It was felt that the application was not a good reason for the build and therefore the application should be refused.
- It was concerning that the access be on Flordon Road, where there were already ongoing issues in relation to its narrow width and the absence of footways.
- Concerns over development of an agricultural field.

Miss Hardingham reported that as a point of law she would discuss the various aspects of the application with an architect. The development would be facing into the farm and the applicants would work from home so not creating additional traffic. She confirmed that the field was a poor agricultural field and was currently unused. The development would make use of the field, which would be landscaped as part of the plan.

A vote was taken in respect of the application where one was in support, two abstained and four objected.

It was AGREED: That the Parish Council **object** to the application. **Clerk to action.**

Ref: DC/20/03163 - Full Planning Application - Erection of outbuilding/machinery store (following demolition of existing) - Highfield, All Saints Road, Creting St Mary, Ipswich Suffolk IP6 8NG

It was AGREED: That the Parish Council have no objections to the application. **Clerk to action.**

Ref: DC/20/03517 - Application for approval of reserved matters following outline approval DC/18/01442 Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Erection of 1 No dwelling (all matters reserved) Location: Land Adjacent 1 Stone Cottages, Creting Hills, Creting St Mary

It was AGREED: That the Parish Council have no objections to the application. **Clerk to action.**

Ref: DC/20/03791 - Application to Determine if Prior Approval is required for a Proposed: Change of Use of Agricultural Buildings to 1 No Dwellinghouse (Class C3), and for building operations reasonably necessary for the conversion. The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) - Schedule 2, Part 3, Class Q. Location: Agricultural Building, Land Rear of Lyndale Lodge, All Saints Road, Creting St Mary

It was AGREED: That the Parish Council have no objections to the application. **Clerk to action.**

CSM69/20/21 - PLANNING DECISIONS

It was NOTED: That the following decisions had been made: -

DISCHARGE OF CONDITION(S) TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 Proposal: Discharge of Conditions Application for DC/20/01232 - Condition 11 (Archaeological Evaluation) Location: Poplar Farm, All Saints Road, Creting St Mary, Ipswich Suffolk IP6 8PJ

Ref: DC/20/02892 - Notification under Schedule 2 Part 3 Class Q of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 Proposal: Application to determine if Prior Approval is required for a proposed Change of Use of Agricultural Buildings to 1 No Dwelling house (Class

C3), and for building operations reasonably necessary for the conversion. The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended)-Schedule 2, Part 3, Class Q. Location: Barn in Field Adjacent Hill View, Green Lane, Creeting St Mary, Suffolk - **REFUSED**

Ref: DC/20/02176 - Householder Application - Erection of orangery. New Dwelling, All Saints Road, Creeting St Mary, Suffolk – **GRANTED**

Ref: DC/20/02753 - Householder Planning Application - Erection of 2 storey rear extension (following demolition of existing single storey extension) 46 All Saints Road, Creeting St Mary – **Granted**

Ref: DC/18/05621 - Outline Planning Application (all matters reserved) - Residential Development for up to 43 dwellings (14 affordable). Land Off, Jacks Green Road, Creeting St Mary, Suffolk - **GRANTED**

CSM70/20/21 – TO RECEIVE THE CLERK’S REPORT AND FINANCIAL MATTERS

i) CLERK’S REPORT

The Clerk reported that representatives from Anglian Water were present to answer any questions in relation to the upcoming road closure on All Saints Road.

Representatives from Anglian Water stated that due to numerous road closures over the past year following water main leaks works were planned to replace the whole of the water main along All Saints Road from the A140. In relation to the works they reported the following:

- Work due to commence on 5th October and the road would be closed for 6-8 weeks.
- Residents would be able to access their properties at all times.
- Excavation holes would be made every 100 metres to enable the extraction of the old pipe and installation of the new.
- Special signs had been made to enable members of the public and residents to be informed of where exactly the work was taking place and what access to what buildings were available at that time.
- Water would always be available to residents.

It was confirmed that the part of the main between Church Close and the Church would not be replaced as past faults had been rectified with ongoing monitoring in place.

The school had been notified in advance to enable them to give parents notice of the works in order to re-plan their journeys.

The contact details of the representatives would be available for anyone to call them should there be any issues or queries.

ii) TO RECEIVE THE CLERK’S FINANCIAL REPORT

The Clerk reported on the Council’s current financial position and movements since the last meeting. It was reported that the balance in the accounts on 9th September 2020 was £36,002.42.

The Clerk reported that she had received an invoice for maintenance of the Church yard and the Parochial Church Council had asked for the Parish Council to pay for the maintenance.

Following a brief discussion, it was noted that it had been previously agreed that the Parish Council pay for such works up to the value of £500 provided an invoice had been received.

i) TO AUTHORISE PAYMENTS AND NOTE RECEIPTS

The Clerk reported the following payments be authorised:-

Jennie Blackburn	Clerk's Pay (Sept)	£340.08
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CFB IT Solutions	Hosted exchange mailbox (Aug)	£6.00
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Vertas Group Ltd	Grass Cutting	£299.29
T A Harrison	Clearing Ditch / Fencing	£510.00
CSM PCC	Church Yard Maintenance	£450.00
Suffolk cloud	Website hosting annual fee	£110.00

It was AGREED: That payments totaling £1,758.48 be approved. It was confirmed that the churchyard maintenance invoice would be paid for by the Parish Council.

No receipts had been received.

CSM71/20/21 – UPDATE ON TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES

There was nothing to report.

CSM72/20/21 – COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH TEAM

The Clerk reported that she had had interest from one resident only. She would advertise in the next Newsletter and contact the Police to get the new team set up.

CSM73/20/21 – CONTAINER

Cllr Haynes reported that she had started to look for quotes for the electrical work needed for the container which included a double socket, outside light, inside light and separate meter.

Cllr Palmer informed members that during a recent check of the container she had noticed that all the arms of the locks had been pushed upwards as though someone was trying to open it. She suggested that more padlocks be placed onto the locks.

Cllr Scully reported that he needed confirmation of cages to be put inside the container to divide it into sections. He would be able to source a quote as soon as he had the dimensions. Cllr Palmer agreed to meet with Cllr Scully to measure the sections should it be felt that cages were needed.

Cllr Palmer informed members that the strimmer, after only one use, had stopped working. It was suggested that the Clerk liaise with the person who donated the equipment for advice.

Cllr Haynes reported that the Village Hall Management Committee had requested a Fire Assembly Point at the end of the container, which would need a relevant sign to be installed.

It was AGREED: That Cllr Palmer purchase padlocks and be reimbursed.
That the Clerk liaise with the donator of the strimmer for advice on its fault
That the Fire Assembly Point be at the end of the container and relevant signage be attached to the container.

CSM74/20/21 – DONATION OF LAND

Cllr Craggs reported that as he had been in contact with the solicitors over the transfer of the land and it had been discussed that any past disputes needed to be ascertained from the current owner. The Clerk reported that she had spoken with the current owner who had confirmed no such disputes had taken place.

It was AGREED: That Cllr Craggs and the Clerk sign relevant documents in relation to the transfer.

CSM75/20/21 – ANNUAL GRANT TO PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

This item had been dealt with under Clerk's report.

CSM76/20/21 - REPORTS

Blacksmiths Field – Cllr Haynes reported that following a request from a local resident about the Parish Council installing a rubbish bin on the field, in the past it had been investigated but Suffolk County Council had been reluctant to drive around the back of the hall and empty a bin from that location.

Cllr Palmer reported that the sign for the gate onto Blacksmiths Field could include visitors "taking their rubbish home with them" which members agreed with.

She added that a resident had reported the slide to have two slits along it and therefore could not be used. The Clerk had provided laminated signs informing people to not use the slide and she would seek a quote for replacement. CiL money would be used to replace the slide.

SALC – Cllr Coton reported that there was an Area Meeting due to take place via Zoom on Thursday, 17th September.

Footpaths – Cllr Scully reported the following:

- A broken fingerpost on St Mary's Road pointing to the river had been reported.
- A tall dead Alder tree on Bridge Street had been reported to the relevant people.
- Footpath on Gypsy Lane crossing had had new gates installed, which were difficult to open.

Village Hall – Cllr Haynes reported that the new heating system had been installed and was working. The sound proofing of the joining doors continued to be investigated and advice taken. She also asked members that the trees around the ditch at the side of the hall were to be made into a hedge with the Parish Council's agreement. **All agreed.**

Sustainability – Cllr Craggs reported that he had put an order in for the Suffolk Wildlife Trust for 255 free trees plus 100 metres of hedgerow. Local landowners had agreed to plant them around the parish.

He also reported that Highways had confirmed Dunches Lane was scheduled to be reinstated next month and in relation to the pond, William Barnes was investigating the possibility of draining it and regenerating it. The costs were unknown at this stage.

CSM77/20/21 - MATTERS TO BE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE COUNCIL

- Litter pick – 18th October 2020. People to take own gloves, pickers to be provided.
- Land for school car park – landowners had been approached with no success.
- Junction between St Mary's Gardens and Flordon Road needed to be reported again – splits in the road.

CSM78/20/21 - DATES OF NEXT MEETING

It was AGREED: That the next meeting be held on Monday, 19th October 2020.

The meeting finished at 9.40pm

Chairman: Dated: