## **CREETING ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL**



Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at the Village Hall, Creeting St Mary on **Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at 7.30pm.** 

#### Present:

Councillors:

S Haynes (Chair) P Scully R Coton C Gordon J Palmer N Smart

In Attendance: Cllr Matthew Hicks Cllr Palmer – took the notes of the meeting

## CSM53/22/23 - TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE

Apologies had been received from Cllr Craggs, Cllr Cage, District Cllr Norris and Jennie Blackburn (Clerk).

### CSM54/22/23 – TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Plummer declared an interest in item 10 on the Agenda.

### CSM55/22/23 – TO RECEIVE APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION

None had been received.

### CSM56/22/23 - TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 26th MAY 2022

It was AGREED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> May 2022 be approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.

#### CSM57/22/23 – PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public were present.

### CSM58/22/23 – 30 MPH SPEED LIMIT – ALL SAINTS ROAD

Suggestions had been made to extend the 30mph from the start of All Saints Road at the junction with the A140. Cllr Hicks advised that the Clerk write to him formally to initiate this.

He advised that a decision was normally based on how many houses there were in a set distance.

There was a need to highlight the number of new dwellings built and planned on the national speed limit stretch.

Members stated that the Parish Council was prepared to use some of its CIL money to fund the provision of the speed limit and it was noted that the District Council's CIL pot could also be applied for.

It was AGREED: That the Clerk write to Cllr Hicks formally in relation to the extension of the 30 mph speed limit.

#### CSM59/22/23 - TO RECEIVE THE COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – CLLR M HICKS

Cllr Hicks' report had been circulated prior to the meeting and would be published on the village website.

He briefly went through his report. He highlighted the objections to the proposed Anglia Green Pylon proposal, which had also been objected to by Essex and Norfolk County Councils.

Cllr Hicks reported that a shop in Lowestoft had been fined for selling illegal counterfeit tobacco. which could be extremely harmful. He advised that if anyone had any further suspicions to report it to Trading Standards.

Cllr Scully asked Cllr Hicks what the planning policy was for new builds with regards to water collection and solar panels. He advised that whilst these areas were recommended they were not enforceable. Cllr Hicks recommended that the District Council would have further information. He stated that Building Control Regulations were changing which would improve insulation/draft materials and there would be no gas or oil boilers installed in new builds.

Cllr Smart informed Cllr Hicks that a representative from Brehenys had attended the previous meeting and advised that a footway had been approved by Mid Suffolk which would narrow the road and also stated that the present sewage system was sufficient. Cllr Hicks advised that Anglian Water would have to take sewage away, even though the system was full.

#### CSM60/22/23 - TO RECEIVE THE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT - CLLRS NORRIS & CLLR PHILLIPS

Cllr Norris' report had been circulated prior to the meeting and would be published on the village website.

#### CSM61/22/23 - TO RECEIVE THE CLERK'S REPORT AND FINANCIAL MATTERS

#### **CLERKS REPORT** a)

There was nothing to report as the Clerk was not present at the meeting.

Cllr Haynes reported that an email had been received from a resident with a complaint about parents leaving their engines running when dropping/collecting children from the school. A suggestion was made for a sign to be put up about it, but it was felt there wasn't a suitable place.

Another suggestion was for the Clerk to write to the Headteacher to ask if parents could be contacted to ask them to switch off their engines when dropping off and collecting their children.

Also, that the Clerk put a piece in the Newsletter.

It was AGREED: That the Clerk contact the Headteacher and place a note in a future edition of the Newsletter.

#### TO RECEIVE THE CLERK'S FINANCIAL REPORT b)

It was reported that the Council's current financial position and movements since the last meeting. It was reported that the balance in the accounts on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2022 was £35,413.87.

#### TO AUTHORISE PAYMENTS AND NOTE RECEIPTS c)

The following payments be authorised:-

Jennie Blackburn

Clerk's Pay - (Jun)

£339.40

Jennie Blackburn	Clerk's Office Allowance/Exp (Jun)	£34.33
HMRC	PAYE to end 5th July 2022	£97.00
Material Change	Bark for Play Area	£312.91
Trevor Brown	Internal Audit 2021/22	£235.00
MSDC	Bin Emptying	£469.69
CFB IT Solutions	Mailbox Hosting	£6.00
Jennie Blackburn	Clerk's Pay (Jul)	£339.40
Jennie Blackburn	Clerk's Office Allowance/Exp (Jul)	£34.33
Jennie Blackburn	Clerk's Pay (Aug)	£339.40
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It was AGREED: That payments totaling £1,902.39 be approved.

It was noted that the following receipt had been received:

HMRC	VAT Reclaim 2021/22	£931.96

#### d) BANK RECONCILIATION

It was AGREED: That the Bank Reconciliation be approved.

#### e) BUDGET MONITORING REPORT

**It was AGREED:** That the Budget Monitoring Report be noted and approved.

#### CSM62/22/23 - PLANNING APPLICATIONS

**Ref: DC/22/03020** - Application for Outline Planning Permission (Access Points to be considered, Appearance, Landscape, Layout and Scale to be Reserved) Town and Country Planning 1990 - Erection of up to 7No single storey dwellings including new vehicular access from All Saints Road (resubmission of DC/21/02507) - Land On the South Side of, All Saints Road, Creeting St Mary

Members were concerned that the application was overdevelopment of the site. Also, the application made the location dangerous to both pedestrians and vehicles. However, should the application be successful then the Parish Council requested that a footpath be installed to protect the pedestrians on a very dangerous stretch of road.

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

**Ref:** - Appeal Reference: APP/W3520/W/22/3294165 Appeal by: Mr and Mrs Nix Proposal: Application for Permission in Principle Town and Country Planning Act 1990. (Amendment) Order 2017 - Erection of 1-2no dwellings - Land at Longacres, All Saints Road, Creeting St Mary, IP6 8PJ

**It was NOTED:** That the application had gone to appeal.

**Ref: DC/22/03441** - Application to determine if Prior Approval is required for a proposed: Change of use of a building and any land within its curtilage from a use as an agricultural building to a use falling within Class C3 (dwellinghouses) together with building operations reasonably necessary for conversion. Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) Schedule 2, Part 3, Class Q - Conversion of agricultural building to 1No. dwelling - Land Adjacent to Lyndale Lodge, All Saints Road, Creeting St Mary

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

**Ref: DC/22/03428** - Application for approval of Reserved Matters following Outline Planning Permission DC/19/01566 (Allowed under Appeal Ref: APP/W3520/W/19/3232511) dated: 13/11/2019 - Access, Appearance, Landscaping, Layout and Scale for Erection of 1no. detached dwelling with garage and new vehicular access - Land Adjacent to Whiston, All Saints Road, Creeting St Mary

Members were concerned that this was overdevelopment of the site.

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

**Ref: DC/22/03480** - Householder Application - Removal of 2no above ground Calor Gas tanks and insertion of 1no below ground Calor Gas tank. - Creeting House, All Saints Road, Creeting St Mary

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

#### CSM63/22/23 - PLANNING DECISIONS

It was NOTED: The following planning applications had been received:-

**Ref: DC/22/02362** - Householder Application - Erection of front porch extension 19 All Saints Road, Creeting St Mary - **Granted** 

#### CSM64/22/23 – HEDGING AND FENCING AT BLACKWATER HALL

Cllr Gordon stated that an update was needed on this issue. Members asked that the Clerk seek an update from Planning as to whether they intended to take this further or whether they had agreed to the planting of the hedgerow in front of the fencing, painted green and closed the case.

It was AGREED: That the Clerk liaise with Planning Enforcement and ask if a decision had been made.

#### CSM65/22/23 – APPROVAL OF FIREWORKS

It was AGREED: That the purchase of fireworks be made (as quoted £1,495.20) and that all gate money be given to the Parish Council.

# CSM66/22/23 – SIDE OF VILLAGE HALL – INFILL / DITCH EXPOSED AND EXTENDABLE HEDGE TRIMMER

Following a brief discussion...

It was AGREED: That the Clerk obtain the cost of an infill fence with a section being removable to service the ditch. That the Clerk investigate the cost of having the hedge cut once a year, but without the use of heavy machinery churning up the ground.

#### CSM67/22/23 – DOG BIN

Before the Parish Council purchased a dog bin for Creeting Hills it was felt that the views of residents should first be sought.

It was AGREED: That the Clerk put an article in the next edition of the Newsletter.

### CSM68/22/23 – DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINING

Cllr Scully stated that training might be beneficial so people knew how to use the defibrillators.

Cllr Gordon advised it was all explained once the machine was turned on, as they would give step by step instructions, should anyone have cause to use them.

It was AGREED: That the Clerk put an article in the next edition of the Newsletter to gauge interest.

#### CSM69/22/23 - LILLEY'S WOOD UPDATE

**It was AGREED:** That in the absence of Cllr Craggs, this item be deferred until the next meeting.

#### CSM70/22/23 - REPORTS

**Blacksmiths Field** – Cllr Palmer reported that she had been very disappointed with remedial works carried out on the footpath. The contractor had been contacted and once a reply had been received the next step forward would be decided upon.

**SALC** – Cllr Coton reported that the AGM was due to be held on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2022 via Zoom.

Footpaths – Cllr Scully had nothing to report.

**Village Hall** – Cllr Haynes reported that the toilets were being refurbished from monies received from the Covid fund that was available for Village Halls.

Cllr Scully was disappointed at the way people were stacking the chairs on the rails and Cllr Haynes suggested a sign could be put up to show the right way to stack them.

The relaying of the car park surface at the front and back of the Village Hall was discussed and that the Clerk obtain quotes. This item would then be put on the next Agenda.

**Sustainability** – There was nothing to report.

#### CSM71/22/23 - MATTERS TO BE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE COUNCIL

• Dunches Lane Update – next Agenda

#### CSM72/22/23 - DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was AGREED: That the date of the next meeting would be Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

The meeting finished at 8.50pm

Chairman: ..... Dated: .....