

**MINUTES OF THE ONEHOUSE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 10<sup>th</sup>. OCTOBER 2022  
AT 7.30PM.**

**VENUE: TRINTY HALL**

**Present:**

Cllrs Copping, Taylor, Crissell, Nutman and Boulter. Plus, two members of the public.

**1. Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Wilshere, Corker and Mrs. P Fuller (Clerk).

The Chair was unable to attend, so the meeting was conducted by the Vice Chair, Councillor Copping and minutes taken by Cllr Crissell.

**2. To confirm and approve the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup>. September 2022.**

They were approved and signed. The minutes of the subsequent special meeting held on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup>. September were duly approved and signed.

**3. To receive members Declarations of Interests on Agenda items.**

There were none.

**4. Public comment.**

Three issues were raised.

- a) It has been noticed that cat litter is now being left alongside dog bags in the area off Northfield Road near the entrance to the footpath that leads on to path toward the wood.
- b) The street lights placed at the bottom of Union Road. It has been the policy of the village to avoid lights in the village. A member of the public enquired about the process of objecting to their installation. They were advised that it may have been Highways who initiated this as a safety scheme for the junction.
- c) The Council were asked as to the current progress of the footpath linking Forest Road to the corner at Chilton Leys. As far as we know, talks have already been held between the landowner and the District Council and that the location of the path may be over the current ditch, but as Councillor Otton , who has been the driving force behind this project, was unable to be present tonight, we have to wait for further information.

**5. Report from County Cllr Otton.**

She was unable to attend, but had forwarded a written report. The key points included her and other Councillors objections to Suffolk becoming an investment zone, which, in her and a number of Environmental groups opinion, would have a detrimental impact on the landscape. It would appear that this would involve some of the Planning regulations being relaxed

Other points raised included the Warm Homes Suffolk Fund, Taxi companies withdrawing from school contracts and the introduction EV Charging sites.

Cllr Nutman raised the question of a 40mph speed limit on Lower Road , but that would be forwarded to her via email.

**6. Report from District Councillor Matthissen.**

Although he too was unable to attend, he had sent a report to the meeting. He raised concerns about the development on the Gateway 14 site as well as housing developments in the Stowmarket/Stowupland vicinity.

**7. Planning matters.**

As the Clerk was unable to attend, we were unable to be precise about this matter, but she had forwarded the information that three applications relating to the Bloor Union Road had been resolved. Details of these will appear in the next set of minutes.

**8. Finance:**

The following payment was ratified

a)22/036 £300.00 Zurich Municipal annual insurance premium

The following Invoices were approved for payment.

b). 22/037. £396.40 Gipping Press.(October OSMAG £364.00, sign for Pauper's Graves £32.40)

c). 22/038. £80.00 Mr. Palmer playing field grass cutting September.

d). 22/039. £105.00 Mr. Raisey, Editing, distributing and delivery of October OSMAG.

e). 22/040 £153.82. Suffolk County Council pension payment September (to be posted 5<sup>th</sup>. November).

Additionally, the following were added and approved and were given nominal number references subject to confirmation by the clerk.

22/041 £240.00 PKF Littlejohn LLP audit accounts 2021/22

22/042 £304.00 HM Revenue & Customs tax July=September

22/043 £36.00 Fuel and Compost (Paupers Graves)

**Financial Report.**

The current state of finance for the parish stands at £36,468.90 which includes a second payment of £7590 of our precept.

**9. Footway in Forest Road.**

As was discussed earlier in section 4, we await to hear from Penny as to what is going to happen.

**10. Environmental Issues.**

The County's Self-Help scheme has still to be fully discussed and further debate was held over to the next meeting when more members would be present and greater detail will be available.

**11. To consider the future of the Green area on the Taylor Wimpey site.**

A general meeting for the village has been arranged for Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup>. November in the Community Centre. The Chair has written a piece for the next edition of OSMAG. A brief discussion took place about how to approach this meeting from the perspective of expectations and outcomes. It was generally agreed that the public should have the opportunity to express their views but that the practicality of what may or may not be possible should be outlined. Financial considerations and the manpower necessary to maintain the site are paramount. It would be, clearly, the first of such meetings.

**12. To receive an update on the Pauper's Graveyard and take any necessary action.**

Cllr. Taylor reported that the bath was ready and daffodils have already been planted. The sign is set to be installed and there is serious consideration of placing plastic benches in situ for visitors take in the view. Councillor Matthissen has said he could assist with this project by providing funds to install them. This will be pursued.

**13. To discuss the development of land in and around the parish.**

There was nothing to discuss.

**14. To discuss OSMAG, Onehouse website and Facebook page and take any action.**

There are no details yet as to the meeting with other members of the OSMAG steering group and when it will take place.

There has been a volunteer willing to deliver OSMAGS to the new estate. There are currently about 50 houses occupied but access is difficult to the flats as there are security doors.

**15. Correspondence/communications.**

The police have been informed about the noticeboard being vandalized and have issued a response. They have contacted the owner of the poster displayed, but we await any further developments.

Cllr. Boulter has said he would look to see if he could repair the noticeboard.

**The following items have been circulated to Cllrs: Rural Services Network** Rural Bulletin 13, 21, 27 September, 4 October. **SCC** Rest centre initial training 9 November, Solar Together Suffolk, Suffolk Pension Fund annual employers meeting, Trading Standards news 22, 30 September, 6 October. **MSDC** Town & Parish update from MSDC October, BMS Joint Local Plan update, Be a Councillor event 29 September, Individual Living grants, CIL Funding bid window October, tree canopy survey, Suffolk Recycling Autumn newsletter, Town & Parish Council elections 2023 cost estimate, B & MSDC draft five year housing land strategy position statement consultation September. **SALC** news ebulletin 12, 20, 26 September, 3, 10 October, HM Queen Elizabeth II guidance information update 14 September and website and social media image change, Suffolk Community Awards results, new training the essentials of being a good employer 18 October. **CAS** news 23 September, 6 October. **Jo Churchill MP** Silver Sunday, national day for old people. County Cllr Otton County service of

commemoration and thanksgiving St Edmunds Cathedral 17 September, cost of living impact council's budget.

**16. To receive reports.**

The Clerk informed the Council via iphone that there were no issues raised concerning the Onehouse Accounts for the year 2021/2022 after examination by an external auditor.

**17. Questions to the Chair.**

There were none .

**18. Items for the next agenda.**

These would include updates on the financial status, the self-help initiative and preparation for the public meeting.

**19. The date for the next meeting is set for Monday November 14<sup>th</sup>. 2022 at 7.30.pm.**

The meeting closed at 8.28pm.

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