

MINUTES OF THE ONEHOUSE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 14 AUGUST 2023 T 7.30 P.M. IN TRINITY HALL

Present: Cllrs Copping (Chair), Nutman, Boulter, Crissell and Corker.

In attendance: County Cllr Otton, Mrs Fuller, Clerk and 2 members of the public

1. Apologies for absence. There were none.

2. To discuss anti-social behaviour around the parish P.C. Stefan Henriksen.

Regrettably the Police did not turn up. (on returning home the Clerk received an email to say that they had been unable to attend due to operational matters)

3. To confirm and approve the minutes of the meeting 10 July 2023

The minutes were approved and signed.

4. To receive members Declarations of Interest on agenda items.

Cllr Nutman declared a pecuniary interest in applications 23/03452 & 23/03453 Onehouse Hall as an adjacent neighbour and duly signed the interest book.

5. Public comment. There was none.

6. Report from County Cllr Otton.

At Council on 13 July, the opposition group proposed a motion for lowering speed limits on rural roads where the safe speed is clearly lower than the current National Speed Limit. The motion suggested that on these roads, a lower speed limit than 60mph would encourage many drivers to slow to a more appropriate, safer speed, thereby reducing accidents and making roads safer for all users. This motion was voted down by the SCC administration without debate. The Council meeting on 13 July also discussed a motion proposed by the SCC administration to uphold minimum parking standards in new developments in the county. This motion was passed by the council. At Cabinet on 11 July, annual reports were tabled on safeguarding adults and children in the county. Some of the issues raised included mental health of children and young people, and for adults, self-neglect and hoarding. The annual report assesses how well the council is doing in this role. The Cabinet also received a report from the Children in Care council (C2C and Brighter Futures) who outlined the work they had been undertaking during the year, including interviewing applicants for CYP social care roles, campaigning for 'Care Experienced' to be a Protected Characteristic, and the Watch Your Words campaign to change some of the language used by practitioners around care experienced young people. Suffolk County Council's contract with Suffolk's Libraries ends on 31 July 2024. It was agreed that there should be a 10 month extension to the current contract to allow for extensive consultation with people of Suffolk and a competitive tender process to be carried out, which is essential for a contract of this size. The public consultation period will be for 14 weeks from October 2023 to January 2024 and we would encourage everyone to have their say on what they think libraries and libraries outreach should look like in the county. Health Scrutiny Committee met on 12

July to look at dental services in the county, amid news reports that 9 in 10 dental practices in the UK were not accepting new NHS patients. There are also plans to develop a brand-new Centre for Dental Development at the University of Suffolk in Ipswich which will train new dentists and dental nurses to improve numbers of practitioners. Cllr Otton has ordered a speed check to be done for the whole of Lower Road which she will pay for from her Local Highways budget. Cllr Otton has also reported the condition of the road which is now in the planned list for work.

Cllr Otton has sent her response to the Boundary Review which supports Onehouse PC opinion that the boundaries should remain unchanged. Cllr Otton was thanked for her support.

7. Report from District Cllr Matthissen. No report received.

8. Planning Matters

a) To discuss and make recommendation to MSDC on any applications received prior to this meeting.

23/03353 Application under Section 73 of The Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for Planning Permission DC/20/05824 (extensions and alterations) for Variation of Condition 2 (Approved plans and documents). Lodge Barn South, Forest Road – no comment

23/03452 and 23/03453 Replacement of window with external door opening on the West Elevation (side elevation) Onehouse Hall Lower Road – support.

b) To receive MSDC decisions on previously considered applications.

23/02359 Construction of porch to the front elevation insertion of a pitched dormer and insertion of new windows and doors. Rosedale, The Limes - granted

23/02780 Discharge of condition application 22/05983 Condition 3 (archaeological scheme of investigation) and Condition 5 (materials to garage and log store). Onehouse Hall, Lower Road – part discharge only.

9. Finances

To approve payment of the following invoices:

a) 23/031 £260.00 J R Landscapes playing field grass cutting June & first week July

b) 23/032 £157.78 Suffolk County Council pension payment August to be posted 5 September

Both items were approved and cheques issued.

c) to receive monthly financial report from the Clerk

The balance of the Community Account at the end of July was £28,591.07. Less this month's cheques totalling £417.78 and adjustments of £30.00 for insurance and £57.00 for adverts, the corrected figure is £28,086.29.

10. To discuss the current position regarding the extension of the footway from 22 Forest Road to Chilton Leys and take any necessary action.

SCC has completed the trial holes. Openreach have not carried out any further works to telegraph pole yet due to high workload however, the design is complete and uploaded to the system ready for the new contractor to price and program when they take over at the end of September. Once SCC knows when it can deliver, the officer will come and explain all to Cllrs. *Action: the Clerk*

11. To consider a response to the Norwich to Tilbury (formerly known as East Anglia GREEN) consultation and take any necessary action.

The nearest area affected is the Creeting and Badley church. Although Onehouse PC does not support the pylons above ground, there should be a fairer payment to those affected.

12. To consider any changes to our Community Governance Review submission and take any necessary action.

Cllrs continue to think that the boundary with Stowmarket should remain unchanged or if changed the whole of Mill Grove should be brought into Onehouse. The Clerk will draft a letter to update our previous submission and circulate to Cllrs for comment before sending to MSDC *Action: the Clerk.*

13. To receive an update on the Paupers Graves and take any necessary action.

Working parties are continuing to keep the area mowed and the entrance tidy. The wildflower bed is not particularly productive this year but can take up to three years to establish.

14 To discuss OHSMag, a new Onehouse website and Facebook page and take any necessary action.

The OHSMag committee held a productive meeting on 4 August when the potential editor produced a schedule of ideas going forward. The September issue will be produced in a similar format to previous issues by the potential editor who will then decide whether to take on the editorship. A meeting has been held with the printer to explore changes on the printing side. Mr Caley from Shelland is prepared to put some finance into OHSMag to encourage someone to get additional advertising however Cllrs are not in agreement with this. At the moment there are difficulties accessing the ohsmag email and the Clerk will contact Mr Raisey. *Action: the Clerk*

The Facebook page is to be changed from a group to a page.

Cllr Copping has looked at the two options for a new website. One is much more expensive. Suffolkcloud would give us what we need at a reasonable price. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

20. To receive **correspondence/communications** and to deal with any matters. **The following items have been circulated to Cllrs: Rural Services Network Rural Bulletin 11, 18, 25 July, 1, 8 August, Rural Funding Digest August. SCC LGPS newsletter July, Trading Standards news 13, 20, 27 July, 9 August. MSDC CiL parish briefing presentation, advance notice of planning search page outage 10/11 August, Town and Parish update August, pride in your Place funding, free trees, hedgerows and wildflower scheme. SALC news bulletin 10, 17, 24 July, 7 August, call for help NSIPs Focus Groups (Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects), SALC AGM audited accounts, training bulletin 18 July, service levels at SALC during August, information from Suffolk Police. Stow Stories art exhibition 22 July. Northwest Publishing information re taking over printing of OHSMag, Cllrs are not interested in changing. National Highways A14 J47-J49 stakeholders newsletter July, notification of change to slip road layout J46. National Grid Norwich-Tilbury non-statutory consultation update, Norwich-Tilbury Suffolk parish council briefing. Jo Churchill MP no cold calling zones.**

County Cllr Otton summer safety advice from Suffolk fire and Rescue Service, ticket closures consultation extended by 5 weeks after public backlash, Suffolk Climate Emergency Plan.

21. To receive reports

a) Report from the Clerk

Footpaths – SCC has confirmed that second cuts will commence the end of July

CIL payments – MSDC has advised that appl 17/02606 is subject to a debt collection matter. We await an update from MSDC debt collection officer.

Audit – PKF Littlejohn has confirmed receipt of the exemption submission and unless they receive any correspondence from local electors we will not hear from them until next year.

Website sharing – the Clerk has investigated with SALC regarding sharing a website with OHSMC. There are issues that need to be investigated. This will be discussed at the September meeting.

Noticeboard, Mill Grove – Hopkins Homes agree in principal but want to see what is proposed and exact location.

22. Questions to the Chairman

Should an advert go in the September OHSMag for additional councillor – yes.

The Clerk will arrange with a cut-off date of 18 September.

Concerns were expressed regarding being able express our concerns on matters with the police.

23. Items for next agenda

Neighbourhood Priority Statement, noticeboards, insurance renewal, handyman, footpath to Chilton Leys, OHSMag, new website and Facebook, development around the parish, Pauper’s Graves.

24. To confirm date and time of the next meeting as Monday 11 September 2023 at 7.30 p.m. Noted.

The meeting closed 8.50 p.m.

Signed.....Approved.....

Dated.....11 September 2023.....