

Minutes of Little Bealings Parish Council meeting held in the Angela Cobbold Hall at 7.00pm on Monday 1 July 2024

Present:

Mr I Ransome (Chairman), Mr P Carr, Mrs K Price, Mrs M Wilson, Mr M Garnham and Ms H Saagi

In attendance:

Miss W Cook, Clerk to the Council

Also present:

District Councillor Colin Hedgley, the applicant in respect of Agenda item 7.1.ii and six residents/members of the public (for all/part of the meeting)

The Chairman welcomed those present. The Chairman advised that the Council was making an audio recording of the meeting.

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Mr C Cheesman (Vice Chairman) who was away on business.

It was **RESOLVED**:

- to accept the apologies for absence.

Apologies were also received from County Councillor Elaine Bryce

2. Declarations of Interest in Matters on the Agenda and Dispensation Requests

Declarations of interest were made as follows:

Mr P Carr: Non-Registerable Interest as a resident of The Street and Neighbour to site in Agenda item 7.1.iii Planning Application DC/24/1252/FUL

Mr Ian Ransome: Other Registrable Interest as a member of the Parochial Church Council in Agenda item 8.3 Footpath Works for footpath No1A

3. Public Participation Session

The applicant for planning permission spoke on the following item on the agenda

- DC/24/1639/FUL | Proposed balcony on south elevation | Four Winds The Street Little Bealings Woodbridge Suffolk IP13 6LJ

Residents spoke on the following items on the agenda

- DC/24/1694/Ful | Addition of entry porch and utility room to existing house, including new driveway | Rose Cottage Sandy Lane Little Bealings Woodbridge Suffolk IP13 6LW

- DC/24/1252/FUL | Erection of 1no. self build dwelling and garage | Land Opposite Former Admirals Head Sandy Lane Little Bealings Suffolk IP13 6LW

4. Minutes of the Meeting held on 13 May 2024

It was **RESOLVED**:

- To approve the minutes of the meeting as drafted.

5. Updates from Clerk and Councillors

5.1 ESC Community Partnership

Mr P Carr attended the last meeting

It was **RESOLVED**:

- That Mr P Carr would represent the Council at the next meeting.

5.2 Community Partnership Road Safety Forum

Mr M Garnham had no updates to report

5.3 Village Hall Management Committee

Ms Saagi reported that the AGM had been held, she gave a brief update and on behalf of the Village Hall Management Committee wished to thank the Parish Council for their donation and, also thank other Little Bealings Residents who have also donated.

5.4 SAVID

Mr M Garnham recently attended a meeting. Speed Watch will be reinforced during Road Safety Awareness Week in November. Playford are soon to receive their own SID, once it is in place Little Bealings will have a SID of it's own.

5.5 Clerks' Forum

Miss W Cook has started to attend the Clerk's training courses. HMRC PAYE will soon no longer accept cheques as payment and it's only a matter of time before other organisations do the same. The PC may soon need to change to internet banking, but this will mean a change in it's constitution.

It was **RESOLVED**:

That the Clerk would find out some more information on the banking options

5.6 ESC Parish Planning Forum: 25 July

It was **RESOLVED**:

That Mr I Ransome and Miss W Cook would represent the Council at this event.

5.7 Sinks Pit Community Liaison Group

Mr I Ransome and Mr D Thornborrow attended a meeting that District Councillor Hedgley chaired. It has been accepted that the Wash Plant is causing much of the noise and vibration. A new screen is to be fitted by the end of August which, it is hoped, will resolve the problem. The lighting causing problems for residents is down to a software malfunction and the lights are currently being operated manually. Retrospect application for new building is yet to be determined.

5.8 CAS Conference

Mr P Carr attended and found the Conference useful.

6. Local District and County Councillors' Reports

A report from District Councillor Hedgley had been circulated to Councillors before the meeting. Cllr Hedgley reported on the appointment of new director Michelle Burdett; a case of council Tax fraud in Felixstowe was prosecuted and reiterated that they take this very matter seriously. The Be Well Bus is coming to Woodbridge and Operation Camouflage is taking place for children this Summer

7. Planning

7.1 Applications

DC/24/1694/Ful | Addition of entry porch and utility room to existing house, including new driveway | Rose Cottage Sandy Lane Little Bealings Woodbridge Suffolk IP13 6LW

It was **RESOLVED**:

That there was no objection to the application

DC/24/1639/FUL | Proposed balcony on south elevation | Four Winds The Street Little Bealings Woodbridge Suffolk IP13 6LJ

It was **RESOLVED**:

That there was no objection to the application

Mr P Carr left the meeting at 7.34pm

DC/24/1252/FUL | Erection of 1no. self build dwelling and garage | Land Opposite Former Admirals Head Sandy Lane Little Bealings Suffolk IP13 6LW

It was **RESOLVED**:

That there was no objection in principle to the development but there is still objection to the design. The Council still considers that the proposed design is in breach of SCLP 5.7. The design and the proposed materials, ie. the cream cladding and window frame colour are at odds with the street scene in this part of the village where red brick and pantile roofs are dominant. The Council also notes that that the proposed use of hedging would restrict the view for motorist when using the junction with Sandy Lane and The Street and feels that a frontage laid to lawn would be more suitable.

Mr P Carr returned to the meeting at 7.37pm

7.2 Update on Applications dealt with under Delegated Authority, Previous Applications, Appeals and Enforcement Matters

The following applications have been approved:

SCC/0059/23SC - Land off The Street, Little Bealings Construction of a Sewage Pumping Station, footpath, fencing, and associated apparatus

DC/24/0689/OUT | Outline Application (All Matters Reserved) - New single family dwelling with associated amenity space and car parking space | Grove Cottage The Street

ESC has refused the following applications:

DC/23/4637/FUL | Demolition of Barn E and adjacent buildings, and the erection of 2no. new-build dwellings (Plots 1 and 2) with garages, and associated driveways/gardens | Barn E Grove Farm The Street

DC/23/4638/FUL | Demolition of Barn A and adjacent buildings, and the erection of 1no. new-build dwelling (Plot 3) with garage, and associated driveway/gardens | Barn A Grove Farm The Street

DC/23/4639/FUL | Demolition of Barn C and adjacent buildings, and the erection of 2no. new-build dwellings (Plots 4 and 5) with garages, and associated driveways/gardens | Barn C Grove Farm The Street

The following application has been appealed:

DC/23/2095/VOC: Variation of Condition No. 2 of DC/22/2984/FUL - Construction of one detached dwelling and garage - Change approved drawings to reflect amendments to design | Woodside Martlesham Road

An appeal has been made to the Secretary of State against the decision of East Suffolk Council to refuse planning permission for Variation of Condition No. 2 of DC/22/2984/FUL - Construction of one detached dwelling and garage

Enforcements:

DC/21/4162/FUL | Woodside Martlesham Road

A site visit has been completed by ESC Enforcement regarding the potential use as a builder's yard. However, at this time there is insufficient evidence of an unauthorised use.

7.3 Update Anglian Water Sewerage Installation

No comments were made

7.4 Affiliation to East Suffolk Planning Alliance

The PC are awaiting an update from East Suffolk Planning Alliance

7.5 Neighbourhood Plan: Designation of a Neighbourhood Area

Ms H Saagi informed to Parish Council that the results of the recent survey were in and she will enquire with our consultant about the next round of funding for the Neighbourhood plan.

8. Highways

8.1 Highways – SCC Feedback re Network Rail and Maintenance Reports

County Councillor Bryce is to chase Highways about the white lines and roundels.

And the PC **RESOLVED**:

to continue to seek payment of the fine levied on National Rail's contractors for unauthorised closure of the level crossing in December 2022.

8.2 Footpaths

Footpath 018 has again been reported to SCC as it is very overgrown. The PC has been informed that it is on the cutting schedule but has still not been maintained. It was **RESOLVED**: for the Clerk to chase this with SCC

8.3 Footpaths: Work For Footpath No1A

Mr I Ransome gave an update and then left the meeting at 7.48pm. Ms H Saagi took over and chaired the meeting in his absence.

It was RESOLVED:

To replace the footpath with 'like for like' tarmac. This was deemed be the best option as it would not require planning permission and it would be possible to complete the works during the school summer holidays.

Mr I Ransome returned to the meeting at 7.51pm

The Chairman reordered the Agenda to take item 9.3 CIL

As the Work For Footpath No1A will cost more than the CIL money already received and that the PC are due a further payment in October it was **RESOLVED**:

- To apply for forward funding of CIL

And following the receipt of three acceptable quotations for the work it was **RESOLVED**:

- To delegate to the clerk, after consultation with the Chairman, and if additional funding is secured the authority to accept the most expedient quote for the works.

8.4 Claimed Public Footpath at Great Bealings & Little Bealings

The footpath is used by residents on a regular basis. The Chairman allowed residents present to comment on the use of the footpath.

It was **RESOLVED**:

- For the Clerk to report this back to SCC and to publish details of the claimed public footpath on the enews.

9. Finance

9.1 Public Notice of Accounts for 2023/24

The period of public notice of the accounts was from 11 June to 22 July. All relevant paperwork and reports had been submitted to the external auditor.

9.2 Income and Authorisation of Expenditure

No income had been received. Expenditure had been incurred as follows:

- Clerk's Net Salary for May: £356.96 (S111 and S112 LGA 1972) (cheque)
- Clerk's Net Salary for June: £706.96 (S111 and S112 LGA 1972) (cheque)
- Consultant to the Council for May: £375.42 (S111 and S112 LGA 1972) (standing order)

It was **RESOLVED**:

- that the following expenditure be incurred:
 - Clerk's net salary for July 2024: £446.16 (S111 and S112 LGA 1972) (standing order)
 - Clerk's net salary for August 2024: £446.16 (S111 and S112 LGA 1972) (standing order)
 - HMRC PAYE first Quarter: £203.20 (S111 LGA 1972)
 - SALC Clerk Basic Training: £115.20 (S111 LGA 1972)
 - Peter Carr CAS Course: £45 (S111 LGA 1972)

9.4 First Quarter Internal Control Review

This would be undertaken by Mr Cheeseman when the June bank statement was to hand.

9.5 Gift for outgoing Clerk

It was **Resolved**: to spend £100 for a gift for the outgoing clerk

10. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Council will be on Monday 2 September 2024 in the Angela Cobbold Hall but a meeting will be held on Monday 5 August 2024, if required by business to be transacted.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8.01pm.