

Great & Little Whelnetham Parish Council

Minutes of an Extraordinary meeting held Tuesday 17 December 2019 at 7.30pm in the Community Centre.

Present

Cllr Peter Royce, Chairman, PR,

Cllr June Attwood, JA,

Cllr Howard Singh, HS,

Cllr Tim Webber, TW

Clerk, Elaine Gorman, EG

1. **OPENING** – The Chairman declared the meeting open at 7.30pm and thanked all for attending.
2. **APOLOGIES** – None
3. **DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND LOCAL NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS** – Cllr Howard Singh currently a member of Suffolk Association of Local Councils (SALC).
4. **PUBLIC FORUM** – No members of the public in attendance.
5. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATED 5 NOVEMBER 2019** – The minutes from the Parish Council meeting dated 5 November 2019 were approved and signed by the Chairman, PR, as a true and accurate record, proposed HS, seconded JA.
6. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**
 - a) **DC/19/2334/HH Planning Application – 2 Brick Kiln Cottages, Bury Rd, Sicklesmere, IP30 0BS, (i) first floor rear extension (ii) raise roof of existing garage to create first floor room, (iii) installation of brick wall and gates to western boundary (following removal of existing fence).** The Council considered its response to the planning authority, West Suffolk DC and **unanimously agreed to object** to these proposals.
 - b) **DC/19/2312/HH Planning Application – Lynne Bungalow, Water Lane, Little Whelnetham, BSE, IP30 0DU, (i) single storey side and rear extensions (following demolition of existing conservatory), (ii) front porch, (iii) loft conversion with juliet balcony to side elevation (iv) double garage with cart lodge.** The Council considered its response to the planning authority, West Suffolk DC and **unanimously agreed to support** the proposals.
 - c) **Planning Applications considered previously (see attached schedule) were approved.**
7. **FOR CONSIDERATION**
 - a) **QUOTE TO CUT BACK HORSECHESTNUT TREE** - concerns were raised about removing more of the tree branches than necessary. Clerk to obtain quote to remove the branch.
 - b) **CLERK SIGNING CHEQUES** – Council unanimously agreed to permit Clerk to sign cheques when a second signatory cannot be obtained, if a Cllr is unavailable. Clerk to seek authorisation from a Cllr via email and obtain signatory from another Cllr.
 - c) **GRASS CUTTING** – Invoice No 1104963 received from West Suffolk DC for £120.60. Extra grass cutting had taken place this year. Cheque number 804 issued for payment and approved.
 - d) **WAYLEAVE** - Cllr PR reported UK Power Networks have declined to make wayleave payment stating that the parish council receive the benefit of the wayleave and consequently no payment will be made. Concern was raised about the fact a payment has been received for the previous 22 years. Clerk to write to CEO of UK Power Networks.
 - e) **TRANSPORT – BUFFER ZONE PROPOSAL** – Cllrs unanimously agreed to proceed with 40mph limit from Bell’s Lane along Stanningfield Road.

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- 8. CORRESPONDENCE** – Cllr PR read to Council a thank you email received from Bradfield St George with Lt Whelnetham PCC re receipt of donation of £100.
- 9. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION AT NEXT MEETING** - Precept
- 10. MEETING CLOSED at 9pm**
- 11. DATE OF NEXT PARISH MEETING – Tuesday 14 January 2020 at 7.30pm**

Signature