

Neil is on tea duties

Apologies for absence

2. Parish Councillor vacancy

Following Kinsey Foster's resignation there is now a vacancy. Waveney district Council has been informed and will issue the relevant notices.

The Parish Council will need to revise its Refreshments schedule as Kinsey was due to do these in September.

6. Clerk's Update

14.1 Memorial bench. The bench has been returned, looking very good. To thank Paul J & the Estate.

14.2 Litter bin, The Green. No word from Waveney Norse since Paul Douch spoke to them.

14.3 Benches, the Green. N Favell to forward an assessment of the repairs required, including the Lucy Wilson memorial seat on the corner.

14.4 Herringfleet Hills. The PC awaits news of improved access and the car park.

14.6 Station Road. Suffolk Highways carried out siding work between the entrance to the playing field and the station car park approach road but this did not clear the full extent of the metalled surface. A site meeting between Suffolk Highways and our County Councillors was attended by Bob Wild on behalf of the PC. This meeting agreed to create two passing places on the downhill section of Station Road – funded from District Councillors' budgets.

14.8 Traffic Restrictions, The Street. The Rights of Way committee met to discuss the application and the objection on 16th June. No news.

14.12 Recruitment of a Parish Clerk. There has been no response to the advertisements. What action does the Parish Council wish to take?

7. Requests from parishioners

None received at the date of this report.

8. The Village Shop & Post Office

To hear of the Estate plans for the building and a Post Office presence.

It is possible parishioners may have commented on this item in the Public Forum.

This item should be forward-focussed with no looking back.

10. Neighbourhood Planning

The Parish Council received Jenni Livingstone's report regarding joining with Lound PC to create a joint Plan and tacitly accepted this proposal. However, a formal resolution is required.

To note that the steering group has created an archive of all its documents (minutes of meetings etc) at

<http://lound.onesuffolk.net/parish-council/neighbourhood-plan-archive>

11. Planning

10.1 Recent applications.

DC/16/1835/COU Forge Garage, The Street, Somerleyton - Proposed retained petrol filling station including sale of local food produce and ancillary hot snacks and change of use of rear workshop to provide food preparation facilities including all associated works and services.

Parish Council response: That the application should be refused for the following reasons.

- If the filling station is to be retained as a working business selling fuel the pumps and the pump area should be tidied and maintained in good working order. They are not at present. If fuel is not to be sold the pumps and tanks should be removed.
- It was strongly felt, by those attending the meeting and others who had expressed opinions to members of the committee prior to the meeting, that proposals would have a very adverse effect on the business of the Post Office and Village Store.

- There was also much concern about the level of contamination on the site and its change to a food outlet. The proposal for refuse storage was also a worry for some as it was not clear from the drawings where this was to be sited and the question of encouraging vermin was raised.
- It is to be noted that it is not clear from the wording of the proposal whether or not the applicant intends to sell fuel. If the applicant does not intend to sell fuel this is in itself a change of use and puts a different slant on the application.

DC/16/1880/VOC The Cedars, The Street, Somerleyton – Variation of Condition No 2 of DC/15/2403/FUL, alterations and improvements including raising the roof pitch to create additional first floor accommodation including provision of 6 No. dormer windows, balcony to side elevation and minor alterations to create a new roof over the garage – Alterations to previously approved plans.

Parish Council response: No objections.

10.2 Recent decisions.

DC/16/1835/COU Forger Garage, The Street, Somerleyton. This is shown as approved on the District council website but the parish Council has not yet received formal notification.

10.3 To ascertain which Parish Councillors are interested in attending the World of Planning event on 27th July.

12. Village Events – review

12.1 Annual Parish Meeting. The revised arrangement whereby the first half hour was allocated to attendees circulating and reading the reports on view, with refreshments available, followed by the formal meeting which received updates to the reports worked well.

12.2 Barn Dance. This was appreciated by all who attended. A summary has been circulated to Parish Councillors and is available on the PC website.

12.3 School Fete. This is still to happen as this report is written.

13. Village Events – forthcoming

13.1 Brick kiln tidy. Normally takes place in September.

13.2 The Parish Council needs to ensure that everyone is aware there will not be a village event this year. It will be necessary to affix a notice to the gate of the field behind the pub to stop parishioners building a bonfire.

15. Financial Report

This is an interim report.

16. Payments to be approved

Cheques to be approved:

£198.00 to Somerleyton Primary School as a donation towards the purchase of a computer (Social Fund).

£62.50 to N Favell for refreshments for the Annual Parish Meeting (£26.60) and the Barn Dance (Social Fund).

£21.00 to Waveney District Council for a Temporary Event Notice for the Barn Dance (Social Fund).

£249.99 (208.33 ex VAT) to S Phillips for a laptop purchased from Curry's to enable PC compliance with the Transparency Regulations (Social Fund).

£181.80 to The Dukes Head for draught beer for the Barn Dance (Social Fund).

£190.22 to N Livingstone for wine etc for the Barn Dance (Social Fund).

£22.46 to S Phillips for plastic glasses for the Barn Dance (Social Fund).

£44.68 to N Favell for meat for the Barn Dance (Social Fund).

17. Correspondence [dates are when circulated by email]

The list below is a record of official and other significant correspondence received since the last PC meeting. *If a councillor wishes an item to be debated, best practice is that it be notified in advance to the clerk for a separate agenda item.*

Suffolk Fire and Rescue Service Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP) [9/5/16]

Community Action Suffolk [18/5/16] [1/6/16] [15/6/16]

Suffolkonboard.com Newsletter - May 2016 [23/5/16]

Adoption of revised Suffolk Flood Risk Management Strategy – protecting vulnerable communities [27/5/16]

Sizewell C May Parish [1/6/16]

bact community transport launches new Waveney service [13/6/16]

Housing Futures - The Village Revival [13/6/16]

Hopkins Homes - Annual Review 2015 [17/6/16]

Point of clarification on last night's meeting [18/6/16]

Oulton, B1375 Parkhill - 40 MPH Speed Limit [18/6/16]

World of Planning [20/6/16]

Water, Mills and Marshes: the Broads landscape partnership scheme [20/6/16]

Invitation to launch of Broads Village at the Royal Norfolk Show [22/6/16]

Suffolk rights of Way Improvement Plan [25/6/16]

18. Dates and times of next meetings

To resolve to amend the date of the next Parish Council meeting to 8th September 2016, 7.15pm, Somerleyton Village Hall Refreshments: *was Kinsey*

To note the next Northern Parishes meeting on Tuesday 20th September 2016 in Blundeston Village Hall at 7.30pm