**Councillors present**: Cllr C. Unwin - Chairman(CU) Cllr A. Spence- Vice Chair (AS) Cllr A. Long (AL) Cllr K. Burt (KB) Cllr L. Michie (LM) Cllr C. Bignell (CB)

**Present:**  Rob Gray – Umbrella (RG) Mark Bignell – Village Hall Committee (MB) Members Of Public (MOP)

A note to the councillors and members of public in attendance read out by (CU):

**A Note on Public Participation at Meetings**

1) Participation in the public forum A council meeting is not a public meeting, it is a meeting conducted in public. There is no requirement in law to provide a public forum. As the council meets and makes its decisions in public and is committed to community engagement, we warmly invite members of the public, the press, the police and district, borough or county councillors to attend our meetings and contribute during the public forum. Please respect that this is a meeting to conduct council business. Interjections are not permitted and if you disrupt business in any way you may be asked to leave. If you feel that you do not wish to take part in the public forum or if your problem is complex, you might wish to provide information to the council prior to the meeting (at least seven days if possible) using the contact details below. Following amendments made to the law in 2014, any person attending a council (or committee) meeting can report on the proceedings of the meeting. ‘Reporting’ is defined as filming, photographing, audio recording, written reporting (e.g. blogging) or oral commentary (not during the meeting). The following rules will apply to the public forum:- • The agenda will indicate when the forum will take place, which will generally be early on the agenda so that councillors can take account of any views expressed. The public participation session will normally be for a maximum period of 15 minutes. • Questions and comments should relate to business on the agenda and only one question on a topic will generally be received from each person and supplementary questions will be at the Chairman’s discretion. No question shall be repeated within a six-month period. The Chairman may direct that a written or oral response be given. • A person shall raise their hand when requesting to speak. Questions must be addressed to the Chairman and a member of the public must not speak for more than three minutes. 2) Reports in the public forum The Council provides an opportunity for the police and district, borough or county councillors to present reports. An opportunity will be given to ask questions, at the council’s discretion, subject to the relevant conditions above and within an overall time limit of 15 minutes.

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| **ITEM**  **06/03/01**  **i)**  **ii)**  **iii)**  **iv)** | |  | | --- | | **Public Forum – LGA 1972, Section 100(1):**  (MOP 1) – Can I ask that the Parish council request the attendance of The RSPB, The Suffolk Preservation Society and English Nature at the Village consultation meeting on the 18th of March please? For the purpose of their view on prospective Jaynic Development. (CU) The Village Consultation meeting is for topics that effect the village directly and within the border of the village, when we hold a consultation for that development we will invite those bodies but as far as the Village Consultation is concerned that topic is not relevant.  (MOP2) The draft minutes from the previous meeting mentioned an update on the War Memorial but I don’t recall an update being mentioned. (CU) The update was that the Lottery Heritage fund had been approached to ask for funding to help with repairs and upkeep. We will have this on the agenda under Village Signs and War Memorial. (MOP3) I would like to raise an issue with Poo Bins. (CU) That comes under section 8.6 of the agenda. | | **Accepted Apologies for absence – LGA 1972, Section 85(1) and (2):**  Karen Soons  Kerry Maidwell  Brian Harvey  Colin Noble  **Absent:**  None. |   **Introductions and Recognitions**  (CU) Thanks to Rob Gray for another great edition of The Umbrella news booklet. |  |
| **06/03/2**  **06/03/3**  **i)**  **ii)**  **iii)**  **06/03/4**  **06/03/5**  **i)**  **ii)**  **iii)**  **iv)**  **v)**  **06/03/6**  **i)**  **ii)**  **iii)**  **06/03/7**  **i)**  **ii)**  **06/03/8**  **i)**  **ii)**  **iii)**  **iv)**  **v)**  **vi)**  **06/03/9**  **i)**  **06/03/10** | **Members Declaration of Interest (for items on the agenda) – LGA 2000 Part III:**  None.  **Reports from Outside Bodies:**  **SCC – County Councillor –** None  **WSC - District Report –** (CU)There will be a coffee morning tomorrow for members of the public to attend if they need help with the new voting rules including uploading of digital photographs. (AS) You can also use your bus pass as ID to vote.  **Village Consultation and Surgery Report –**  (AS) As planned the village consultation will be on the 18th March in the Church from 12:30pm – 14:30pm. The plan is to have 2 consultations per year (CU) This is to plan for next years budget and to ask the SCC and WSC to consider issues raised in these consultations.  **To Approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 06th February 2023:**  Minutes Edited and Resolved 06/03/2023  **Highways & Footpaths:**  **Update on Outstanding Highways Issues in Village (AS)**  (AS) Nothing outstanding on the Suffolk Highways Tool online. (CU) That on the path between Cavenham Road and the Church that the pavement isn’t wide enough for prams and wheelchairs, Highways have said they are unwilling to adjust the width. (AL) 2 separate families have mentioned that off the footpath on the Higham road there is a house being built, they have said (and I have checked and agree) that when it rains the dirt from the building site runs off the site onto the path with such mass that you can’t use the footpath. The builders are responsible for rectifying this (I have checked). I have passed this onto the owners and they have said they will speak to the builders.  **Highway Gates Funding**  (AS) I emailed Colin Noble and he has asked me for photographs of all the signage the costs etc and he has said that with regards to the highways funding budget I will see if I can obtain funding however if I can not obtain funding via the highways budget I can look to obtain it via localities funding after the 8th of May. Kerry is looking to get permission from SCC for the sign.  **Update on Temple Bridge / Ford Ref Motorcycles and horse signage.**  (AS) Still no signage at the Temple Bridge/Ford. (CU) Can we report this as missing signage on the highways reporting tool? (AS) Yes we can.  **Update on Ditch/Flooding at Playing Field Entrance(Ref:368233)**  (AS) We have progress on this, we have received an email from Andrew Moore the community Liaison for our area, in it he has said that he has made a site visit and found leaves and silt in the pipe to the pond, this has now been cleared and will now run correctly. I will check this regularly to ensure it remains clear. I have inspected the second problem area in a pipe from the playing field to the pond that has 3 man holes in a nearby garden some of these sections were clear some were not, with the pond owners help we able to expose the outlet pipe within the pond and are now able to jet and camera the line and have used these to action the drainage teams to correct the pipe issues to prevent the flooding.  **Speed watch / SID Data Report / Update on new post & Static VAS Unit removal High St**  (AS) Colin Noble has agreed to fund 50% of the cost of replacing this. He will process this after the 8th of May due to elections etc. Brian Harvey has said he may have funding pots that he can access after the elections as well.  (AS) The ANPR form has been sent in requesting the ANPR team consider us for 4 locations around the village that we already use for Speed Watch. We have a vacancy on the team for Speed Watch, we are looking to start again this month. I also ask that we put on the Agenda a vote for Matt Rowe (who is part of the speed watch team) to receive a voucher for the amount of electricity he uses to charge the SIDs as he does this regularly and never asks for remuneration.  **Planning Matters:**  **Update on Applications DC/22/0205/FUL & DC/22/0206/LB - a. conversion of existing dwelling to form hotel guest rooms with ancillary function space b. rear and side extension forming restaurant pavilion (demolition of existing extension and outbuildings) c. alterations to existing vehicle access and associated external works. Location: The Old Mill Farmhouse, High Street, Tuddenham**  (CU) Kerry input a query about the wording on the application and she received acknowledgement of the query but no further response concerning this. (Malcolm Keeble) I received acknowledgement of this too! I also received correspondence from environmental health saying they worded it as such as they feel that between the fence and my bedroom window the sound level would drop 30 decibels. (CU) Is that confirming that he really does mean at the boundary then? (Malcolm Keeble) I would assume so, so I will speak to Brian Harvey. (CU) We will keep it on the agenda and periodically chase it.  **Village Hall Development**  (MB) I have received the keys and we are looking to have a grand opening of the village hall and celebration of the Kings Coronation weekend celebration event. The flooring being laid requires special conditions to set so if this goes ahead to schedule the event will go ahead on the 6th May celebrations. (AS) Do you have a deadline for when you would like us to take the youth club equipment to the new hall? (MB) Not yet but we are looking at April if you know what you are wanting to take?  **Sunnica Solar Farm Consultation Update**  (CU) No updates.  **Community Reports**  **Village Hall Committee Report** .  (MB) We are now officially an incorporated charity.  **Playing Field Committee Report**  (AS) We met with the playing field committee to establish who has responsibility for what and it was very productive. (CU) We talked about budgetary restraints and I found that there is funding available from the National Lottery for Community goals, my idea is that we could make our village goal encouraging outdoor activities and try to obtain funding for the work needed at the bowls green along with possible further works to the playground and even the war memorial works. (AL) I think we could have the village goal as physical and mental wellbeing? (CU) I think that would be multi-generational and a good idea.  **Parish Matters:**  **Play Equipment Update on Funding / Update on Outdoor Multi-Gym Installation & Well-being Area**  *Grants/Funding applied for;*  *Cockerton Trust Grant secured = £30,000 (Granted and paid)*  *Cockerton Trust Grant Request = £13000 (Granted and paid)*  *Big Lottery Awards for All Grant Applied for £10,000 (Granted and paid)*  (AS) The first stages of the works is underway.  (CU)Thank you to all who have helped remove the bark and thanks to Jim Unwin for removing the swings. We will apply for funding for the Outdoor Multi-Gym Equipment via The National Lottery grant we plan on applying for.  **Phone Mast Request Update**  (CU) Chased but no update. I will chase.  **Trees**  (AS) Ligna are coming on the 10th of March and we have appointed David Wright as our volunteer Tree Warden. I propose we forward him a copy of the report.  **Flag and Flag Pole**  (CU) Brian Harvey has granted the funding for this. (AL) Where is it going? (CU) We will decide this at the Village Consultation.  **Village Sign and Memorial (on Green) Replacement**  (CU) Suffolk Heritage have turned down the application but I would like to add this to our grant application with The National Lottery.  **Poo Bin Replacement**  (CU) West Suffolk have acknowledged the request but have said until May there will not be further movement on this. (CU) We have also received acknowledgement of receipt for the request for West Suffolk Council to adopt the remainder of the street lighting in the village. (CU) We will add the street lighting into the agenda.  **Correspondence:**  (CU) None. |  |
| **i)**  **ii)**  **06/03/11** | **Finance & Policies:**  **Signing of Payments Authorisation Form which includes Clerks wage (Sheet Attached)**  Examined by all councillors and signed off by CU (chairman and bank signatory) and AS (Vice Chairman and bank signatory)  **Sign off and recognition of the Bank reconciliation. (Details attached on a separate sheet)**  Examined by all councillors and signed off by CU (chairman and bank signatory) and AS (Vice Chairman and bank signatory)  **Councillor Reports & Items for the next Parish Council Meeting**  (CU) I would like to put a piece together about what it is to be a councillor for the village consultation. How are the village gardeners getting along?(CB) It’s going well. |  |
|  | (AS) Can we put the Coronation on the next Agenda?  (CU) Yes. |

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|  | **The Next Parish Council Meeting to be held on Monday 3rd April 2023, at 7:00pm in the Village Hall.**  Meeting closed at 19:42 pm  **Signed: Date: 03/04/2023**  **Chair, TSMPC** |  |
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