

# TUDDENHAM ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Tuddenham St Mary Parish Council  
Held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2022 at 7:30pm

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

**Present:** Kerry Maidwell – Clerk (KM), Rob Gray – Umbrella (RG)

ITEM	<b><u>Public Forum – LGA 1972, Section 100(1):</u></b> 6 members of public (MOP) were in attendance.	
09/01/1	<b><u>Accepted Apologies for absence – LGA 1972, Section 85(1) and (2):</u></b> Cllr. K Soons Cllr. L. Michie Cllr B. Harvey Cllr C. Nobel <b><u>Absent:</u></b> None.	
i	<b><u>Introductions and Recognitions</u></b>	
a)	Thanks to Andrew Garnet for the donation of the Christmas Tree. Thanks to Gary Holland for putting the lights up and Cllr. Burt for organising the drinks in the Village Hall after the lights switch on. Thanks to the new Gardening Group, Cllr Bignell and Cllr Spence for organising and carrying out the planting of the bulbs supplied by Cllr. Harvey also thanks to Cllr. Harvey for supplying the Bulbs.	
b)	Unanimous vote in favour of co-opting Carron Bignell onto the council. Both Cllr Bignell and Cllr Burt Sign their Acceptance of Office Forms in the presents of KM.	
12/12/2	<b><u>Members Declaration of Interest (for items on the agenda) – LGA 2000 Part III:</u></b> None	
12/12/3	<b><u>Reports from Outside Bodies:</u></b>	
i)	<b>SCC – County Councillor</b> – Cllr. Colin Noble- County Council are currently going through their budget process. HGV NPR cameras have been installed in some villages and it is suggested The Tuddenham Parish Council may look into this. Sunnica final consultation with Suffolk County Council will be March 2023.	
ii)	<b>WSC- District Councillor</b> – Cllr. Brian Harvey - The Town & Parish forum was very well supported. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The main area for information can be found via – <a href="https://infolink.suffolk.gov.uk">Infolink.suffolk.gov.uk</a> – Click on the link to “Cost of Living” In addition, the two-slide presentation received at the meeting are being sent out to all Parish &amp; Town Clerks in order that they may then forward these presentations onto all their respective Councillor’s.</li></ul>	

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- Parish & Town Council Elections effective for the May 2023. All clerks will be receiving full details. The main area which all Residents need to be aware of is the requirement to provide an authorised form of Photo ID (Passport, UK Driving License etc).  
More detailed information will be provided early 2023.
- The Sunnica Solar Energy Farm - The Examination process has restarted on the 28<sup>th</sup> September  
The joint 4 Council "Local Impact Report" has now been submitted (October 2022) and once the Examiners have accepted this it will be published.  
Currently West Suffolk Council are working through their "Written Representation" response, again once this has been submitted and accepted by the Examiners this will be published accordingly. (November 2022)

iii) **Village Consultation and Surgery Report** – No update.

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**To Approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 7<sup>th</sup> November 2022:**  
**Resolved 07/11/22**

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 7<sup>th</sup> November 2022 were edited and then adopted as a true statement and signed by the Vice Chairman at the meeting (AS).

i) **To set a specific date and time for the next AGM in 2023**

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 7:00pm.

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**Highways & Footpaths:**

i) **Update on Outstanding Highways Issues in Village (AS)**

Cllr. A Spence has reported the 3 lose Anglian water drain covers outside the bus stop using the Suffolk County Council Highways reporting tool. Also reported online was the fire hydrant being lose a little way up the road. MOP – thinks the noise is being made by the steep gradient between new and old tarmac/road surface. CN – It is incredibly unlikely that highways will see that as an issue. (AS) We will report using the online tool.

ii) **Highway Gates Funding**

AS has contacted 2 companies for the aluminium grade signs like on Cavenham Road and has asked KM to obtain a third, KM has requested one and is still awaiting the reply from the supplier. AS to CN - we will be asking you for funding for the signs. CN to AS – I understand.

iii) **Update on Temple Bridge / Ford Ref Motorcycles and horse signage.**

KM No movement regardless of extensive contact with Suffolk County Councils Public Rights of Way team that they cannot find any information relating to previous correspondence with the previous Clerk. CN- Open a new case and send all of the old case emails to me with the

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new case number and I will address. KM – I will do this. MOP – That right of way is very overgrown. AS- Please use the online tool to report this along with photographs.

**iv) Update on Ditch/Flooding at Playing Field Entrance(Ref:368233)**

AS – Paul Goots emailed to say that he came out to look at the way the water drains into the area that keeps flooding and has said that he feels it is the vegetation in the gully causing the flooding and that he will attend again on a heavy rain day to double check, however his initial feeling is that it is the vegetation in the gully causing the flooding. AS would like to arrange a meeting the pond owner, herself and Paul to see if the cause maybe identified more accurately.

**v) Speedwatch / SID Data Report / Update on new post & Static VAS Unit removal High St**

SID is still corrupt so we will need to get quotes for a new SID to put into next years budget. No speedwatch this month due to cold weather and sickness. CN – Can you contact other councils compare quotations for a new SID.

**vi) A11 Central Reservation Plans And Consultation**

No update.

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**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**

KM – The applicants have made an amendment to the above application to remove the restaurant element of the application. AS to KM – can you re submit our continued objections from earlier on in the year please? KM – Yes

KM – a new application has been received concerning DC/22/2054/FUL - Proposal Planning application - two detached buildings (class E commercial, business and service) Location Nethercroft Farm Sandy Drove Tuddenham Bury St Edmunds Suffolk. The deadline for objection is 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023. AS- can you send this with the update to the other 2 applications to all councillors for consideration and opportunity to object please? KM – yes.

**ii) Tuddenham Mill Noise Complaint**

No change other than the above.

**iii) Village Hall Development**

KB – small update- Flooring has gone down and takes 80 days to set.

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**Community Reports**

**Village Hall Committee Report** – CM- It was unanimously agreed at the Extraordinary AGM of the committee that the will apply to change their status to a charity, there are lots of

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activities planned in relation to the new hall and the expected open of the new hall is spring 2023 but updates will be made available as they happen.

- ii) **Playing Field Committee Report** - AS and CU met with the committee to discuss looking at quotations for play equipment from other suppliers.

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- i) **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 (awaiting payment)*

*Big Lottery Awards for All Grant Applied for £10,000 (Granted and paid)*

*Suffolk Community Foundation Giving Fund Applied for £2,000*

*Breedon's, & Allen Newport- awaiting response.*

AS and CU have a meeting with a new play equipment company on Wednesday to see what they would propose to put on that site.

- ii) **Phone Mast Request Update**

CU has written to Matt Hancocks Office and received a reply on the 8<sup>th</sup> of November 22 saying he will write to the Department of Culture Media and Sport Minister on our behalf and hasn't heard anything back. CU also wrote to the Department of Culture Media and Sport Minister and heard nothing back.

- iii) **Remembrance Wreath Purchase and Placement**

AS – Thank you to KB for laying the purple wreath for the animals lost in the wars and to AL and RG for laying the Standard wreaths.

- iv) **Trees**

AS - we are in the process of obtaining quotations from Tree Surveyors to build into the budget the cost of a 5 year survey of works required in that time.

- v) **Warm Spaces**

Kath at The Purple Pantry has reported that she feels the warm space hasn't really been used, KB – can we ask The Purple Pantry to advertise the space abit more before we decide it isn't needed? AS- Ok.

- vi) **Light Switch On report**

AS- Switch on went well and was well attended with an estimated 40 guests in attendance.

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**Correspondence:**

None

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**Finance & Policies:**

- i) **Parish Council Bank Reconciliation from List of Payments/Receipts**

Examined and signed off by AS

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- ii) **Parish Council Account Cheques for signing and approval**  
It was agreed to approve the payments of the following outstanding invoices and the Bank Reconciliation was approved and signed by Cllr. A. Long & Cllr. A. Spence

iii)	Expenses Reimbursement to Clerk	£29.10	Approved	

- iv) As Suggested all councillors consider what additions if any would be required to be added to the budget and send to the Clerk before the next meeting as we will be agreeing the budget and precept at the next meeting.

- v) All councillors unanimously agreed to implement the new National Salaries Award Pay Scale 22/23 for the clerk and backdate it to when the new clerk started in September as per SALC's advice.

**The Next Parish Council Meeting to be held on Monday 9th January 2023, at 7:00pm in the Village Hall.**

Meeting closed at 09:15pm.

Signed: *C Unwin* Date: 12 /12/2022

Chair, TSMPC