

Sibton Parish Council

A Meeting of the Parish Council was held at Sibton & Peasenhall Methodist Church on Monday, November 18th 2024 at 7pm.

Present:

Cllr. A. Dale (Chair); Cllr. A. Candler (Vice-Chair); Cllr. A. Cable; Cllr. S. Lear; Cllr. A. Levett-Scrivener and Cllr. D. Sims:

Also Present:

Paul Widdowson (Clerk); District Cllr. J. Ewart (Left 7-44pm) and one member of the public (Arrived at 7-28pm and left at 8-24pm):

1) Apologies:

County Cllr. S. Burroughes was not present and gave his apologies.

The Council congratulated Cllr. A. Levett-Scrivener on his recent marriage.

2) To receive Declarations of Interest and confirm all Members have reviewed their Declaration of Interest Forms: Councillors to declare any Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests. Members may subsequently declare an interest at any point in the meeting:

There were no declarations of interest.

3) Requests for dispensations:

There were no requests for dispensations.

4) To receive a report from the County and District Councillors:

Councillors received the written report from County Cllr. S. Burroughes.

District Cllr. J. Ewart said that she had met the Environment Agency and they had agreed to open communication channels regarding flooding. It was noted that there had been a meeting in Yoxford regarding Sizewell C and the increase in traffic and pollution on the A1120 and councillors had been invited. A councillor asked about the timeline and District Cllr. J. Ewart replied that these were on the Sizewell Website.

District Cllr. J. Ewart said that as a 'thank you' to all the Parish Councillors in her ward, she was holding an event in January with the Leader of East Suffolk Council in attendance.

A councillor queried the wisdom of the of the 30mph speed limit all the way from Yoxford to Leiston along the B1122 saying that it created more pollution and was not helping Leiston as people were going elsewhere. The councillor also asked about the progress in Pouy Street in a permanent solution to supplying water to parishioners affected by the problems in the street. District Cllr. J. Ewart noted the issues.

District Cllr. J. Ewart said that East Suffolk Council had much Cil Money and could match fund money supplied by the Parish Council if the criteria is met. She said that a proposed private development would meet the criteria and said that the development of the Sibton and Peasenhall Playing Field could also be funded. She suggested that an Open-Air Swimming Pool could be built with changing rooms available for all sports.

There was a long discussion on how to generate the enthusiasm to get the project completed. It was agreed for the councillors to discuss these projects and the use of the Cil Money in a Meeting with the Cil Staff in January organised by District Cllr. J. Ewart.

5) Public Session: Members of the public have fifteen minutes to ask questions on topics on the agenda.

There were no topics raised by the members of the public.

6) To confirm the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday, September 2nd 2024:

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on September 2nd 2024 were agreed.

Proposer: Cllr. A. Levett-Scrivener:

Seconder: Cllr. S. Lear:

7) Highways and Speeding:

Cllr. A. Cable reported that the Sign Indicator Device (SID) was in Pouy Street and it would soon be moved to the A1120.

8) Footpath in Pouy Street:

Councillors noted that this issue had been discussed in the District Cllr. J. Ewart's Report. Cllr. A. Dale said that he may contact the local media about the issue in his capacity as a local councillor.

9) Local Energy Developments:

Cllr. A. Candler gave a report and there was some discussion regarding the new Willow Farm Car Park in Darsham. There was also some discussion regarding re-dualling or having large loops on the Woodbridge to Saxmundham Railway Line in view of the Local Energy Development.

