# MINUTES OF QUENDON & RICKLING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2022 AT 7.30 PM.

Present: Sally Kitcat – Chairman (SK)

Tom Duncan – (TDN)
Jennie Sutton – (JS)
Katherine Nuthall - (KN)
Carrie Williams- (CW)
Gari Spearpoint – (GS)

County Councillor Ray Gooding – (RG) District Councillor Judy Emanuel – (JE)

Keith Williams – (Parish Clerk) (KW) 12 members of the public

#### 974. Declarations of Interest

JS in respect of agenda item 11.4.

#### 975. Apologies for Absence

**District Councillor Neil Hargreaves** 

## 976. Minutes of the last meeting held on 8th December 2021 (already circulated)

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed as a true and accurate record and will be signed by the Chairman.

## 977. Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2021

The parish clerk has taken delivery of the new computer. The Bowling Club lane has been filled with type 1 aggregate.

#### 978. Co-option of parish councillor

Mr Gari Spearpoint has been co-opted onto the parish council. He duly signed the Acceptance of Office form and will submit his Register of Interests return to the parish clerk. The parish clerk will notify UDC of the co-option.

## 979. Public participation session

None

## 980. Correspondence

Pegasi had distributed a letter to residents suggesting workshops to explain their development plans. There was considerable concern amongst the attending members of the public about the proposals.

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It was also felt that one-to-one meetings would be inappropriate and that the preferred course of action would be an open public meeting, to be held sometime in mid-February, to be attended by representatives from Pegasi. The parish clerk is to write to Pegasi to express these views.

#### 981. Finance

a. Accounts balances (already circulated).

Noted.

#### b. Invoices and payments for approval.

The payments were approved.

## c. Agree Precept for 2022-2023

A precept of £14203 was agreed. The parish clerk will notify Uttlesford District Council.

#### 982. Forsters footpath

SK will find out exactly what is required with regard to the plantings.

## 983. Replacement contractor for grass maintenance

Some prospective contractors will be approached.

#### 984. Planning

#### 1. UTT/21/3338/HHF - 1 Ventor Road, Quendon

Partial garage conversion to create ground floor accommodation.

No objection.

#### 2. UTT/21/3712/HHF - Foxley House, Rickling Green Road

Demolition of conservatory and erection of two storey and single storey rear extensions and loft conversion.

No objection.

## 3. UTT/21/3738/HHF – Westcote, Rickling Green Road

Infilling under jetty to enlarge kitchen and dining area and new garage roof.

No objection.

#### UTT/21/3633/FUL - Land north of 1 Mill House Cottages, Cambridge Road

Erection of 1 detached dwelling, provision of associated vehicle access and parking areas, landscaping and associated works.

[JS left the room whilst this application was being discussed].

Decision: Object

Context: Notwithstanding the significant efforts made by the applicants to mitigate the issues well documented in previous applications and appeals (all of which were unsuccessful), these issues remain valid by virtue of the aspect and position of the site, and proposed development on it.

#### 985. B1383

#### a) Traffic Calming Scheme

RG hoped that most of the council's queries had now been answered. However KN advised that some of the requirements stipulated by the council, for example the centre island outside Manor Stables north of the Rickling junction and narrowing of the road from outside The Lilacs to The Old Kings Head had not been included in the final proposals from Highways. These are important and we're included to reduce traffic speeds and dangerous manoeuvres along this stretch of the B1383. RG is concerned that if the project does not proceed now then the funding may be lost. He strongly recommended proceeding with current proposals, and to submit the Island and road narrowing as a phase 2 to the LHP now for review for future work next year.

After some consideration the Parish Council decided to proceed with the current proposals subject to the following provisos;

Site 3 is to be removed from the detailed design

Site 4 - to leave the footpath as it is.

Site 5 - Waterbutt Row. There needs to be some method to delineate the pavement from the designated parking area. This is not to be a white line. RG suggested using cobbles as this is in keeping with the conservation area. Requested Caste iron bollards be used as this is also within keeping with the conservation area. RG said he will check if this is possible.

#### 986. Events

- The Queens Jubilee celebration is scheduled for 5<sup>th</sup> June and plans for the day are in hand.
- The pumpkin competition raised an amount of £58. It is proposed to run the competition again this year with the same time line for growing as last year. The weigh-in will be in October.

#### 987. EALC Training Courses

The parish clerk will provide Cllr Gari Spearpoint with details of the New Parish Councillors courses.

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## 988. County and District Councillor reports

## **District Cllr Judy Emanuel**

JE will be having discussions regarding Call for Sites.

JE wants to ensure that the Neighbourhood Plan is taken into consideration when planning applications are considered.

## **County Cllr Ray Gooding**

The Climate Change Commission has made some grants available.

## 989. Date of next meeting

9<sup>th</sup> February 2022

## 990. Closure of meeting

There being no further items to be discussed, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21.50.

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