

**RAYDON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2018**

**Present:** Jane Cryer - Clerk (JC)  
Nev Davenport (ND)  
Christine Hempstead (CH)  
Sue Newton - Chairman (SN)  
Amanda Pyall - Vice Chairman (AP)

**In attendance:** Gordon Jones, Suffolk CC (GJ)  
John Ward, Babergh DC (JW)  
3 Parishioners

**Apologies:** Keith Lovering (KL)  
Jayne Tann (JT)

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**18.9.1 APOLOGIES**

Apologies from JT and KL were accepted.

**18.9.2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

**18.9.3 PUBLIC FORUM**

The three parishioners were present primarily to hear the discussion re agenda item 18.9.9.2.

**18.7.4 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 17 JULY 2018**

It was proposed by AP, seconded by CH and agreed unanimously that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 17 July 2018 should be accepted as an accurate record, and signed accordingly.

**18.9.5 ACTIONS FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Most of the actions were either ongoing, or were on the agenda; there were updates on the following:

**18.9.5.1 Woodlands Road**

A site meeting with Suffolk CC Highways would take place on Friday 21 September - SN and AP would represent the PC. SN thanked GJ for his help in arranging the meeting.

**18.9.5.2 Co-options**

This item was deferred to the October meeting.

**18.9.5.3 Anglian Water**

JC had sent an email to Anglian Water as agreed at the July meeting; she would chase a response.

**18.9.5.4 Grit bins**

JC would liaise with JT now that SCC's guidelines had been received - a decision on which bins to purchase would be made at the October meeting.

**18.9.5.5 Name for new development - land east of KGF**

As agreed at the July meeting, JC had responded to Landex's invitation to suggest a name for the new development: Dunningham Drive. She had received a reply saying their suggestion was 'St George's View' (she had pointed out that it should be **King** George, not St George). She had now received a letter from Babergh formally requesting the PC's input; she would stress that the PC's choice would be Dunningham Drive.

## **18.9.6 REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES**

### **18.9.6.1 Babergh DC**

A written report had been circulated prior to the meeting, a copy of which is filed with these minutes. Councillors welcomed the reduced void re-let time, down to 17 days; the target was 7-10 days. JW said the merger of leisure trusts Abbeycroft Leisure and South Suffolk Leisure had been approved and would provide further opportunities for both trusts. The National Planning Policy Framework had been published in July, and introduced a standard methodology for calculating Housing Need.

### **18.9.6.2 Suffolk CC**

Written reports for August and September had been circulated prior to the meeting, a copy of which is filed with these minutes. GJ had been appointed as a Stakeholder Governor for the newly formed East Suffolk & North Essex NHS Foundation Trust, the trust for Ipswich and Colchester hospitals. In response to a question from SN, GJ said a report on the proposed Lake Lothing third crossing in Lowestoft was expected in time for the October Cabinet meeting; it appeared that most people were in favour. The proposed crossings in Ipswich were currently under review; GJ would update the PC later in the autumn. With regard to the changes to school travel, AP said that Raydon's catchment school was Stratford St Mary, around three miles away; pupils in the past would have been entitled to free transport. However, SCC was now only providing transport to the closest primary school, Hadleigh Community Primary, followed closely by East Bergholt Primary depending on which end of the village the children lived; the third choice was Capel St Mary. This meant that, from 2019, Raydon primary schoolchildren would not be entitled to free transport to their catchment school unless the other schools were over-subscribed. Historically Raydon had always had close links to Stratford St Mary and the school in Raydon closed on the understanding that children would have free transport to Stratford; this would no longer be the case. In response to a further question about children with special needs, a paper had gone to Cabinet and GJ would report back in January.

## **18.9.7 FINANCIAL MATTERS**

### **18.9.7.1 RFO's report**

It was proposed by CH, seconded by ND and agreed unanimously that the finance report for 18 September 2018 should be accepted; payments of £626.24 were approved, together with direct debits to E.ON and Anglian Water totalling £342.67. It was noted that a VAT refund of £615.17 had been received. ND would compare the meter reading at the Pavilion with the latest bill from E.ON.

### **18.9.7.2 Insurance renewal**

It was proposed by SN, seconded by ND and agreed unanimously to opt for a new 5-year Long Term Undertaking with Zurich, through Community Action Suffolk; the premium would be £188.75.

## **18.9.8 REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS**

None received.

## **18.9.9 PLANNING**

### **18.9.9.1 DC/18/03504 - Layham Hall**

There were no objections to the application for replacement of ridge to indoor riding arena.

### **18.9.9.2 DC/18/03947 - Land at Water Farm**

In response to a query from SN, the applicant confirmed that the plan showed where hard standing would be put down in the gateway and did not relate to any additional development. AP was concerned about footpaths 46 and 48 while the new house, drive and garage were being constructed; it was confirmed that this had been noted and provision made. She also expressed concern about badgers; however, SN said she had looked at the report and although some setts had been noted, these were not considered to be active. With regard to the height of the new building, the applicant said it had been moved down the hill slightly so that the visual impact was reduced. There were no further objections.

### **18.9.9.3 DC/18/02835 - 6 The Gardens**

It was noted that this application had been withdrawn.

**18.9.9.4 DC/18/02279 - Land at Upper Street**  
It was noted that this application had been withdrawn.

**18.9.9.5 DC/18/02455 - Grace Cottage, 7 Sulleys Hill**  
It was noted that planning permission had been granted for the erection of an extension.

**18.9.9.6 DC/18/06289 - Land East of King George's Field**  
It was noted that minor adjustments to internal layout and elevations of Plot 9 had been approved.

**18.9.9.7 DC/18/02877 - Shepherds Cottage, Sulleys Hill**  
It was noted that discharge of conditions (materials) had been approved.

**18.9.9.8 DC/18/03525 - Brett Vale House, Noaks Road**  
It was noted that discharge of condition (ecological mitigation) had been approved.

**18.9.10 DEFIBRILLATORS**

It was proposed by AP, seconded by CH and agreed unanimously to purchase a defibrillator to be located at the Pavilion; SN confirmed that the Trustees had agreed to this. It was further proposed by AP, seconded by SN and agreed unanimously to apply to the British Heart Foundation for a grant; JC said Layham PC had recently been successful in obtaining such a grant and their experience could be helpful. It was further agreed that SN and AP would obtain two quotes for installing the defibrillator and cabinet and would discuss the choice of cabinet with the electricians; a decision would be made at the October meeting. AP would also look into the options for CPR training.

**18.9.11 STARS OF BABERGH & MID SUFFOLK**

SN had drafted the citation for the Dedication Award and AP the citation for Volunteer of the Year Award. It was proposed by ND, seconded by CH and agreed unanimously that both should be approved; JC would submit them by the deadline of 28 September.

**18.9.12 NEW STREET SIGNS**

This item was deferred to the October meeting.

**18.9.13 RECYCLING CENTRE**

KL had commented that he did not feel there was a suitable site in Raydon; SN explained that the Trustees would not support a bottle bank at KGF because of the risk of broken glass. It was agreed that AP would review the responses to the parish questionnaire in order to assess the demand for a bottle bank; this would be an agenda item for the October meeting.

**18.9.14 SOCIAL MEDIA**

This item was deferred to the November meeting.

**18.9.15 CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE**

JC had received a planning application shortly before the meeting relating to the erection of an agricultural storage building at Raydon Hall Farm, which was obviously too late to be included on the agenda. The deadline for comments was 25 September; she would query the unusually short timescale with Babergh.

**18.9.16 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

7.30pm on Tuesday 16 October 2018, in the Pavilion.

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