

REYDON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting held in the Village Hall on 28th July 2022 at 7.30pm

1 Present: Chair Cllr Pam Cyprien

Councillors Brian Bailey, Leigh Turner, Roger Cracknell, Philip O'Hear, Fiona Taylor, Madeleine Senior and Kalvyn Friend
County Councillor Ladd
District Councillor Beavan
The Clerk Julie Jordan
2 members of the public

Opening – The meeting was opened at 7.30.

2 PUBLIC FORUM

a) Public

Mr and Mrs Small expressed their concern regarding the proposed development in Copperwheat Ave which appeared to have a permanent access route off The Crescents. They also questioned when this development was likely to start.

Councillor O'Hear replied that access to the site is from two points as the development is divided in two with no access from one half to the other. It was pointed out that due to the nature and the size of the development most of the application has been decided at the outline stage. The Parish Council does not know who the developer is at the moment and has no knowledge as to when it will start. Councillor O'Hear said he would check the facts about the application tomorrow and agreed to keep Mr and Mrs Small updated about any future information about the site.

b) District Councillor Beavan

He reported on the following

He had attended a Scrutiny meeting regarding the District Councils ambitions to be net zero and confirmed that the Cabinet Minister in charge seemed to be doing a good job. However, there was a dire need for more car charging units in East Suffolk as the majority were in Southwold and Reydon.

The Harbour Management Committee is up and running and will be trying to get a new Harbour Order to include the estuary.

Homelessness was a real problem still which was not helped by the complications in filling in the Home choice application. In fact, one page had 38 questions and was timed out in 15 minutes. He had requested that this is simplified or no longer time limited. After some discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council should also write and press for simplification. A letter will be sent to the Director of Housing and the Cabinet Member responsible.

The sensor for Potters Bridge will be installed tomorrow and he hoped to get another one so the water levels can be read above and below the bridge.

c) County Councillor Ladd

The following issues were reported on

The SCC reclaim water project was explained this is where flood water rather than being drained out to sea is captured and used for farmers.

Councillor O'Hear asked about the white lines on the Wangford road and whether new ones are proposed. Mr Ladd confirmed that sometimes these are not renewed and he will look into it.

Councillor O'Hear also reported on the anomaly that had occurred in Rissmere Lane which as it is not a priority route Highways had decided to not repair it. However, it is a national cycle route and the road surface is fundamentally dangerous, District Councillor Ladd will look into this.

Councillor Friend asked if junction lines would be provided at the Reydon Pavilion junction with Pitches View however this was a job that would normally be done by the developer of the site.

3. Declarations of Interest

None

4. Receipt and apologies for absence

Councillor David Panther

Councillor Vulliamy

Councillor Djahit

It was agreed to accept and note these apologies for absence. Councillor Panther had expressed his concern at not attending meetings recently but as this was due to ill health and Covid it was acceptable and presented no problems.

5. Minutes – To read or take as read the Minutes of the meeting held on 23rd June 2022 and it was proposed, seconded and agreed to authorise the Chair to sign the Minutes

6 Statutory Business.

a) Co-option

It was proposed by Councillor Taylor and seconded by Councillor Cyprien to co-opt Madeleine Senior onto the Council. All were in favour and Madeleine Senior signed her Declaration of Office.

b) Vacancy

The Councillor was now able to fill the other vacancy by co-option following the resignation of Mr Kirk.

c) Recess for August

It was proposed, seconded and agreed that the Council will recess for August, all were in favour

7. Clerk Report

The Clerk reported that there were 6 crimes reported in June these were

4 x Violence and sexual behaviour

1 x Anti-social behaviour

1 x Public Order

Bench Survey

The Clerk confirmed that the tree warden was happy to include looking at the condition of these.

The Clerk reported that she had heard from Anglian Water and it was agreed to have the meeting on the 8th August in the afternoon

The Clerk reported that she had booked the play inspection for early September on the Recreation Ground

The Clerk reported that the gym equipment had not yet been removed as when Mr Larter went to look because it was so rusted it would need to be cut away this was not done due to the risk of fire. At present he is looking at alternative ways to take away the equipment safely

8 Public Rights of Way Working Group

Councillor Cracknell that this had been a very good meeting with all the stakeholders involved plus, Annette Robinson the Public Rights of Way manager and Neil Lister the coastal volunteer co-ordinator. There had been discussions about what SCC are responsible for and how they prioritise routes plus what the Parish Council can do which proved very valuable.

The next meeting will focus on conflicts in the use of paths by cyclists and walkers and how to make this better. It will also look at possible new routes and connectivity. It was commented on that we now had a better understanding of the path network plus the names of the landowners.

9. Community Awards

The Chair read a report from Councillor Vulliamy regarding his ideas for this award. The first step he proposed was two “Honour Boards” at the village hall, one for the Chairs of the Parish Council and the other for the Community Awards. It was unanimously agreed to support this idea and agreed that Councillor Vulliamy should have a budget of £200 to proceed.

10 Reydon Robin

The Chair read a report from Councillor Vulliamy where he confirmed that the Robin would be published on the 8th September and will be sponsored by the Southwold Arts Centre

11. Village Hall

The Chair read a report from Councillor Vulliamy in which he confirmed that the EV chargers were doing well but need more publicity. The tariff had just changed to 45p per Kwh in line with other units in Suffolk. He is following up on the structural survey after the original plans had been sourced. Councillors expressed they're thanks to Councillor Vulliamy for all the work he had done with the Village Hall Management Committee. They also felt that a monthly update of the Councils work on Next door and Facebook should be considered.

12. Website

Councillor Vulliamy had provided an update report on the site which is functioning well, this had been circulated.

13. Clock for Reydon Pavilion

Councillor Friend reported that no decision had been reached as to which clock should be purchased for the pavilion and this item will be deferred until September

14 Highways Working Group

This report had been circulated to all Councillors. The group will now have Councillor Taylor, O'Hear, Cracknell, Panther and Bailey as members and will met again in early September

15. Speedwatch

Ray Dunn had stepped down as co-ordinator, but he was talking to a number of people interested in taking over this post, Councillor Bailey said he would be happy to continue supporting this group.

Councillor Bailey reported that the speed watch sign on Wangford Road had been vandalised and as this was police property it should be reported, the Clerk will do this.

16. Reports from Councillors

The Chair reported that to update the Chain of Office it would need to be sent to Fattorini in Birmingham for a quote. It was agreed that this should be done.

17. Visions and Strategy for Reydon

Councillor O'Hear agreed to do some work on updating this with the help of the responses from the Reydon School fayre and the Planning Group. This will be presented to the September meeting.

18. Planning

The planning working group gave the following recommendations and it was proposed, seconded and agreed to adopt the report. Full details are attached to the minutes and can be found on the website

Applications

DC/22/2398/FUL – Convert store into study/utility room, construct new wc and entry porch
Board southern gable of house and conservatory
28 Windsor Road Recommend Approval

DC/222521/VOC - Variation of condition 11 of 2016 permission. Allow extended hours for new tenant to move goods and bar equipment for use at parties
Endeavour House, Fountain Way Recommend Approval

DC/22/0462/ARM – Approval of reserve matters
St Felix School, Southwold

The above application had been made a long time ago and approved. Councillor O’Hear reported that a requested meeting with the PC, the Planners and the developers had taken place. There were still some questions about access safety and the need to put in some traffic calming however the meeting had been broadly constructive.

Appeal

DC/2/3397/FUL Single Build New House
Beulah, 47 Wangford Road

Councillor Senior declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion. It was agreed that Councillor O’Hear prepare a reply to this as it is very much involved with some key issues in the Neighbourhood Plan, this will be circulated and if agreed sent to the Planning Inspector.

Decisions

DC/19/1141/OUT	Development of up to 220 houses with assoc open spaces And to the west of Copperwheat Ave	Approved
DC/22/1972/FUL	New Porch and rear extension and roof conversion Joneil, Bridge Road	Approved.
DC/22/2212/FUL	Extension 15 Windsor Road	Approved

Planning Consultations

- i) Short Term holiday lets policy – consultation briefing
It was agreed that Councillor O’Hear would complete this
- ii) SALC Survey of the Planning Process
Councillor Cracknell has completed this survey but the Planning Working Group would also look at it.

19. Finance

a) Accounts awaiting payment July 2022	
J Jordan – Salary and expenses July	£392.60
Inland Rev – Paye	£59.00
J Jordan – Salary and expenses August to be paid August	£392.60
Inland Rev – Paye	£59.00
Graham Litter Picking July	£95.00
G Graham Litter picking August to be paid August	£95.00
K Seaman – grass cutting	£115.00
CIM – bee signs	£170.40
Wave – water Recreation Ground	£105.49
Wave – water Reydon Corner	£81.39
Wills – Grass cutting and plants Reydon Corner	£977.39
Wills - ~Grass cutting Reydon Corner	£90.00
Cathy Yeoman – website	£195.00
EON – Jubilee Green	£8.06
Joel Spurdens – Rodent control Recreation Ground	£66.14

Joan Goldsmith – Printing	£34.00
F Taylor – Padlock for meter Jubilee Green	£26.15
Recycled Plastics – Bench and seats Recreation Ground	£2313.45

Total £5131.67

It was proposed, seconded and agreed to pay the above accounts. It was noted by Councillors that the village Litter Picker, G Graham is doing an excellent job and was to be thanked for all her work.

- b) Receipts –Interest June 0.52, £1200.79 Southwold Town Council for Jubilee Events, £13309.64 – Reydon Trust – electricity Jubilee Green.
- c) Bank Balances at 31 June 2022
Treasurers Acc £601.00. Business Acc £68560.22
- d) CIL money - £4219.967- £1171.82 by April 2023, £3,048.14 by Oct 2024
- e) Presentation of Bank reconciliation to end of June – The report had been circulated and the contents noted by Cllrs
- f) Budget to Actual – This had been circulated to Councillors and noted.
- g) SALC – Internal Audit - This had been circulated to all Councillors with comments in blue on what actions were needed to be taken by the Clerk. She will report back in September. The Clerk did state that she was increasingly doing work on her own computer as the Council one was very slow and she was unsure how old it was. It was agreed that she would research the price of a new computer.

20. Matters arising from the Minutes 23rd June 2022

Bollards – Recreation Ground

It was agreed that Councillor Friend would arrange for these to be repaired as it was felt there was a need to discourage anyone from driving onto the Recreation Ground. There followed some discussion regarding the use of this ground and how it could be improved. It was a large space and very underutilised. It may be possible to put more equipment up there to encourage use. The Clerk reported that some of the allotments are not kept in very good condition and this is not helping the other tenants. It was decided that working with the allotment holders to try and improve the ground would be a way forward and the Clerk was asked to invite them to the next meeting.

21. Any other business (Notified to the Clerk/Chair in advance)

- a) Letter from Mr and Mrs Livermore
The contents of this letter were noted and the Clerk will write to Suffolk Secrets and the Tree Officer at East Suffolk Council
- b) Skateboard Park – Southwold
This was an ongoing project which was having another public consultation day soon and were looking for funding. It was felt that this would benefit the younger members of the village and a donation would be considered. Councillor Senior pointed out that CIL money could be used.
- c) Jet skiing
There had been a number of complaints about the possible damage being done to the banks of the river by the large number of jet skis using the area. There was some discussion about this and it was agreed that Councillor O’Hear would raise the issue at the next Stakeholder meeting for the harbour.

22 Close

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.00