

# EARL SOHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2020

At 7.30 pm Virtual meeting

## Draft Minutes

**Attending** David Grose, Lucy Murrell, Anna Goymer, John Starke, Mark Rutherford,  
Neil Warden, Andrew Patterson

- 1) Apologies for absence – Candida Cook
- 2) Declaration of interest None
- 3) a Approval of minutes from 7<sup>th</sup> May approved unanimously  
b. Matters arising from May meeting none
- 4) Public Comment none
- 5) Councillor Vacancy no applications have been received so we are able to coop an applicant now LM suggested that any new councillor should receive training GH to find out about virtual or webinar available with SALC
- 6) Reports from councillor Maurice Cooke MC produces a weekly council report this will be forwarded on
- 7) Robin Vickery LM made comment about the help and good work that RV had done for our parish council. AG wanted it noted after the recent resignation of Mr Vickery that the Earl Soham Parish Council are against racism and prejudice in any way all agreed
- 8) Planning applications and notifications none
- 9) Update on current projects; traffic calming SID funding is now in place and we need to identify sites to erect posts or existing sites that can be used to put SID on **Neil Warden** agreed to take pictures and make a map with various sites identified for the council to consider and agree on, village green posts to be fitted by end of July, defibrillator now installed it was agreed that we need to let parishioners know where this is so advert in village magazine, website, poster designed and made by **Mark Rutherford** this also led to discussion about a news letter to let parishioners know what we are doing as a council it was agreed that **Anna Goymer** would lead this and produce a draft over the summer GH to help with information needed, bench's for village green needs more investigation **Mark Rutherford** to do this, a scanner needs to be purchased at the cost of £185.77p agreed by all, pinch gate now fitted and installed with new 30mph sign **John Starke** will ask school if they can make the new acorn finials, adoption of phone box should be completed by end of July, it was greed to continue with new finger post on the village green GH to get more details **David Grose** to see if highways will fit this, site of Fido bin near tennis court has now been decided and agreed unanimously to be by the bridge to footpath near the tennis club

village/road side it was also decided that red was the preferred colour as this would make it more visible

- 10) Covid 19 actions none received
- 11) Neighbourhood Plan There has not been a lot of activity these last two months due to lockdown. We are reviewing the Housing Needs Analysis received from AECOM. We have reviewed their first draft sites report and are waiting for an updated document. We are also waiting for the design guide. I hope that as we come out of lockdown we will be able to pick up on activities.
- 12) Financial matters possible internal audit report GH gave a financial statement attached and also gave a report of future commitments, internal audit not received to date
- 13) Cheques to be signed GH precious pinch gate £500, townlands allotments £200, village hall £34, Covid 19 project £253.22p, precious pinch gate £700, scanner £185.77p, ICO gdpr £40, Keys £28, Zoom 12 months £143.88p, village hall £66, precious village green posts £2000, stationary £57.47p
- 14) Correspondence since last meeting GH there had been 4 shed burglaries in the village
- 15) Any other business It was noted that the amount of RAF helicopter low level activity had increased significantly it was decided not to send a letter at this stage to RAF. NW reported that the village hall was undergoing a repaint and refurbishment the porch to the right hand door had been removed. There was also comment that the hall needed WiFi GH thought there would be a grant to help access this to be investigated
- 16) Next meeting 3rd September 2020 7.30pm

Meeting concluded at 9.20pm

Signed David Grose