

ELMSWELL PARISH COUNCIL

minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of full Council held on
Monday 20th September 2021 at 7.30pm
at Blackbourne, Elmswell IP30 9UH

Present: Cllrs. Barker, Burch, Edmonds, Hancock, Mansel, Pallett (Chairman), Roots, Shaw

Attending: District Council Ward Member Helen Geake
Parish Clerk Peter Dow
2 members of the public

21.09.01 **Noted:**
1.1 An apology for absence was noted from Cllr Hawes as he was on holiday
1.2 An apology for absence was accepted from Cllr Schofield due to long term illness

21.09.02 **Resolved:**
That the draft Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 19th July 2021 and of the Extraordinary Meeting held on 16th August 2021, as tabled, be agreed as a true record.

21.09.03 **Noted:**
That there were no requests for an election in response to the MSDC notification of a Casual Vacancy, and that an expressions of interest in consideration for co-option had been received from David Brown, confirming his eligibility and that there were no reasons disqualifying his membership.
Proposal: Cllr Barker; That David Brown of 16, Whatley Close, Elmswell, be co-opted forthwith on to Elmswell Parish Council
Seconded Cllr Edmonds
Proposal carried

Cllr Brown duly signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office and took his seat as a Member.

21.09.04 **Noted:**
That there were no Members' Declarations of Local Non-Pecuniary Interests and/or Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in subsequent agenda items and no additions, deletions or alterations to the Council's Register of Interests noted.

21.09.05 **Noted:**
5.1 A written Report, as tabled and circulated, from MSDC Ward Members Cllrs Mansell and Geake
5.2 A written Report, as tabled and circulated, from SCC Ward Member Cllr Andy Mellen

21.09.06 **Noted:**
The following correspondence to this meeting unrelated to an Agenda item;
6.1 From MSDC, copy of response to ElmsWild submissions of suggested locations in Elmswell for wildflower meadows. (*circulated*)
6.2 From SCC re 40mph Wetherden Road
6.2.1 The Clerk was asked to respond to SCC supporting the new speed limit and seeking advice on a way forward to securing a similar arrangement between Elmswell and Great Ashfield.

21.09.07 **Noted:**
The Clerk's report as per Appendix A

21.09.08 **Noted:**
That when any Complaints Committee business for information, to be noted or for inclusion on a future agenda was invited none was forthcoming and that the date of the next Complaints Committee meeting was not known.

- 21.09.09 **Noted:**
 Planning results as notified by Mid Suffolk District Council and to take action as appropriate.
- 9.1 DC/21/03836 Erection of single storey rear extension
 Mace Stores, Station Road GRANTED EPC Supported
- 9.2 DC/21/03620 Discharge of Conditions DC/19/01700 - Condition 9 ...
 Land to the rear of Orchard House, Ashfield Road
 APPROVAL GIVEN EPC no comment
- 9.3 DC/21/02616 Erection of side extension and front porch...
 5 Prescott Drive GRANTED EPC no comment
- 21.09.10 **Noted:**
 The following other Planning business;
- 10.1 To note the formal consideration on 23.09.2021 by SCC of the proposal for the extension of Elmswell Primary School.
 10.1.1 The Clerk was asked to attend and reinforce Council's objections.
- 10.2 To note that the deadline for responses to the 'Additional Matters 4' element of the BMSDC Joint Local Plan is 01.10.2021.
- 21.09.11 **Resolved:**
That the Elmswell Gardening Club be thanked for their excellent stewardship of the Station Road recycling centre for the 3 months to 27th August and that a grant of £150.00 be made to the Club's funds.
- 21.09.12 **Resolved:**
That this Council formally approves and accepts the External Auditor's Certificate and Report for the year ended 31st March 2021, signed off by Messrs PKF Littlejohn LLP, noting that the Annual Governance and Accountability Return is in accordance with proper practices, that no matters gave cause for concern, that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met, and that the Auditors found no other matters affecting their opinion to be drawn to Council's attention.
- 21.09.13 **Noted:**
 The authorised payments made and income received as per Appendices B and C, and indicative financial overview as at 31.08.21.
- 21.09.14 **Resolved:**
That proposed payments, scheduled as Appendices D, be authorised.
- 21.09.15 **Noted:**
 The Balances as per Appendices E and the Chairman's confirmation that the relevant bank statements and computer report verify the published figures.
- 21.09.16 **Noted:**
 That when any public comment or questions on matters relevant to Council business were invited none were forthcoming.
- 21.09.17 **Noted:**
 The following other Council business from Councillors or the Clerk for information, to be noted, or for inclusion on a future agenda;
- 17.1 There was discussion regarding increased traffic flows at Warren Lane and with regard to cars parking to access St John's, from which no action was determined.
- 17.2 The Chairman confirmed that the matter of the incursion on to the recently acquired extra land at Blackbourne by an adjacent developer was settled and currently with solicitors for confirmation and that the use to which the land might be put would be the subject, in the first instance, of advice from the BWMA.
- 21.09.18 **Noted:**
 That the next Ordinary Meeting of Council was scheduled for Monday 18th October 2021 beginning at 7.30 p.m. at Blackbourne.
- 21.09.19 **Noted:**
 That the meeting closed at 8.34pm.