

Denham Parish Council

MINUTES

November 25, 2020 at 7.30pm online

1/251120	<p>Apologies and Approvals of Absence</p> <p>None. In addition to Parish Councillors Tania Farrow (in the chair), Nick Farrow, Kerina Jane and Jane Gilmore, the Clerk Rod Caird, County Cllr Guy McGregor and District Cllr Matthew Hicks were also present.</p>
2/251120	<p>Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensation</p> <p>None</p>
3/251120	<p>To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on September 24, 2020</p> <p>The Minutes were approved</p>
4/251120	<p>Members of the public are invited to make any comments on items on the Agenda or to raise issues for consideration at future meetings. Reports may be presented by County Cllr Guy McGregor and District Cllr Matthew Hicks</p> <p>No member of the public was present. Cllr McGregor had circulated a written report. The County Council had been closely involved in making sure the right PPE equipment reached care homes. Community spirit at Council, District and Local levels had been really impressive. Much concern had been expressed about the government's proposed planning reforms. It is mistaken to think the cause of the shortage of housing is the inadequacy of the current planning regime. There must be continued local involvement in all planning matters. The backlog of court, coroners' and adoption service processes, caused by Covid, is a serious matter. The County is able to make payments to make sure no one is pushed into destitution by the coronavirus emergency.</p> <p>Funding for the new SID on Hoxne Road can come from the Highways budget. A vehicle charging point at the Village Hall would be a very good initiative as part of the County's plans on this process. A Quiet Lanes designation application is in hand for Shingle Hill up to the school and on the branch lane up to the Church. This is also supported by Hoxne.</p> <p>Concern was expressed about the progress of the Mid Suffolk Local Plan, with particular reference to the increased HGV movements resulting from the Cranswick poultry site at Eye and related operations in the immediate area. The road near the phone box has been damaged</p>

	<p>by HGV traffic and local residents are extremely concerned.</p> <p>Cllr Hicks noted that Mid Suffolk has to try to find a balance between the needs of industry and those of local residents. He also reported that the Home but Not Alone and the Suffolk Advice and Support Service are both up and running, often receiving requests for help from people who have never previously been in that position. Funding is available to help people with problems like school uniforms or a bicycle to get to work.</p> <p>The government is looking again at the proposed planning reforms in the light of comments received. Snoasis has been bought and renamed Valley Ridge, so may be back on track in some form. Some funding may be available from the Locality Budget for the Village Hall project, perhaps for the tree work required.</p> <p>The traveller camp nearby has been monitored by the District and County. There is no severe local concern at present, but it is important to make sure the travellers have access to hygiene and medical care. There is a pregnant woman in the group and childbirth risks are high in that community.</p>
5/251120	<p>To consider an update on Denham Community Council and the Village Hall renovation project</p> <p>The AGM of the Community Council was held and all relevant Charity Commission reporting and paperwork are up to date. Local resident Derek Drane is project managing the Village Hall renovations. Builders have visited the site with a view to a step-by-step approach to the work. Fund raising continues; lottery grant applications should open up again in February. Mid Suffolk opportunities will also be pursued. Work continues on the interior of the phone box, which will include shelving and a noticeboard.</p>
6/251120	<p>To consider a quotation for the purchase of a Speed Indicator Device for the posts installed on Hoxne Road</p> <p>The sign will now be ordered from Westcotec and will be delivered to Cllr Gilmore.</p>
7/251120	<p>To consider updates on any current planning applications, particularly:</p> <p>DC/20/04548 Householder Planning Application - Erection of garden store and fence Cranley Cottage 24 The Street Denham – <i>councillors consulted by email and no objection raised. Decision awaited</i></p> <p>DC/20/04248 Householder Planning Application - Erection of a two storey linked extension. Wood House Coldham Hill Denham - <i>councillors consulted by email and no objection raised. Granted</i></p> <p>DC/20/04036 Application for Outline Planning Permission (some matters reserved, access and scale to be considered). Town and Country Planning Act 1990 - Erection of 2No single storey dwellings,</p>

	<p>garages and parking Land to West of Hoxne Road Denham - <i>withdrawn</i></p> <p>DC/20/03835 Householder Application - Erection of annexed accommodation for family relative. Meadow End Hoxne Road – <i>awaiting decision</i></p> <p>DC/20/03722 Full Planning Application - Erection of 1 No dwelling. Corner Cottage Denham Corner - <i>granted</i></p> <p>DC/20/03381 Householder Planning Application - Creation of vehicular access; Erection of garage. Corner Cottage Denham Corner – <i>refused</i></p> <p>DC/20/03973 Application for Listed Building Consent. To rear wing remove existing clay pantiles, replace lead to valleys, replace roofing underlay and re-fix tiles. Vicarage Farm Hoxne Road – <i>granted</i></p> <p>The current status of all applications was noted.</p> <p>A revised proposal for Corner Cottage access (20/05207, changing the previous 20/03381) had been submitted since publication of the agenda and it was agreed to make no objection.</p>												
8/251120	<p>To receive an updated financial report from the Clerk, and to deal with any payments due. To consider and review a draft budget for 2021/22 and the precept for that year.</p> <p>An updated bank reconciliation was presented, showing available funds of £7,767.19. Cllr Farrow had incurred costs for paint and supplies, the following payments were agreed:</p> <table><tr><td>Nov 27, 2020</td><td>Tania Farrow</td><td>628</td><td>£ 59.94</td><td></td><td>Paint etc</td></tr><tr><td>Dec 9, 2020</td><td>Westcotec</td><td>629</td><td>£ 3,150.00</td><td>VAT £ 630.00</td><td>SID</td></tr></table> <p>A draft budget for 2021/2 was tabled. Both the budget and the precept would be confirmed at the January meeting.</p>	Nov 27, 2020	Tania Farrow	628	£ 59.94		Paint etc	Dec 9, 2020	Westcotec	629	£ 3,150.00	VAT £ 630.00	SID
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9/251120	<p>Correspondence and urgent matters to be brought to the attention of the Parish Council</p> <p>Correspondence had been received from more than one resident concerned about traffic and road safety. This issue will continue to be on the Parish Council's Agenda.</p> <p>The next meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Wednesday January 27, 2021, probably online.</p>												