

RINGSFIELD AND WESTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Date of Meeting: 20th July 2018

Present: Chair Cllr Rees, Wheeler, Sherriff, Cannell & Scott.
 Attending Clerk Mrs Brown & D Cllr Punt

OPENING OF MEETING - The meeting was declared open at 7.00pm

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None

Cllr Rees welcomed new Councillor Christine Wheeler and thanked her for joining the PC.

2. RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE OF APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – None

PUBLIC FORUM – None

The meeting agreed that D Cllr Punt could give a report at this point in the proceedings, Cllr Rees thanked him for coming along as he is not R&W's District Councillor.

The merger of WDC and Suffolk Coastal DC should go ahead in May 2019 and will be known as East Suffolk DC, the largest in the Country. The Councils already work together closely, sharing staff and offices helping to save money whilst maintaining services, once the merger is complete the DC will be able to get into larger projects and the whole area should benefit. R&W will remain in Wainford Ward with Bungay and neighbouring villages, the Ward will be served by 2 District Councillors. Waveney will still have it's own planning portal. Councillors are working on joint policies at the moment.

Once the Beccles southern relief road has been open for approx. 6 months SCC will commission a traffic survey to look at speed and the impact on smaller local roads. He advised that the PC ask Cllr Ritchie for help re parking in School Road also to look at the flooding potential and any problems with extra traffic in Church Lane Weston once the new road opens, it may be possible to have weight restrictions on Cromwell, School & Top Roads if necessary.

WDC will discussing design options for the Pavillion on Lowestoft sea front at their next Cabinet Meeting as they are finding it impossible to find a tenant. CEFAS's building is to be refurbished, the new bridge should be opened in 2021 and WDC are trying hard to bring new businesses and more tourists to Lowestoft.

Plans for 283 houses behind Montrose Garage, London Road are being discussed R&W PC feel that as the proposed development is so close to it's boundary they should be a consultee – the Clerk will write to Chris Green.

4. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF PC MEETING HELD 15th June 2018 – Proposed Cllr Scott, 2nd Cllr Cannell, 1 abstention 4 votes for, with the following amendment: Cllrs Cannell & Franics declared an interest in Item 9a.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING –

- 1 Neighbourhood Plan – No progress, the meeting with reps from 5 parishes and planning officers will be arranged when Stuart Halsey returns to work, he will discuss funding for the project.
- 2 VAS – SCC have still not erected the poles. Cllr Rees spoke to C Cllr Ritchie re the need for extended 30mph limits in the village – he suggested using s hand held speed gun for a while.
- 3 Adoption of revised Standing Orders – circulated. Cllr Rees proposed adoption, 2nd Cllr Cannell aif

6. FINANCE

a. Accounts for Payment

J Brown, Clerks Salary June & July, expenses June only	£406.30
HMRC PAYE June & July	£94.40
Action Play & Leisure – extra safety mats	£180.00
Waveney Norse – herbicide treatment of tennis court & surrounds	£178.15
Total 4	£858.85

Cllr Rees said that there was no need to pay the Action Play & Leisure account

Cllr Cannell proposed acceptance and that the remainder of these accounts are paid 2nd Cllr Rees aif

b Accounts already paid - None

c Receipts – Donations £60.16. Vat reclaimed £1405.17

d Bank Balance Statement at 29th June 2018 £4810.92

e Bank reconciliation – circulated

f Budget to actual spend – circulated

7 CORRESPONDENCE - None

8 PLANNING –

a Applications Rec'd –

DC/18/2588/FUL Hill Farm Barn, London Road, Weston. Custom designed single storey 2 bedrooomed, self build retirement dwelling and site wild scaping. Cllr Rees proposed acceptance, 2nd Cllr Sherriff aif

DC/18/2864/COU M Newton, Memory Cottage, Church Road, Ringsfield. Retrospective Change of use of outbuilding to holiday let and revision to previously approved garage – increase width by 1m. Cllr Sherriff proposed acceptance, 2nd Cllr Rees aif

b Decisions Rec'd– None

DC/19/1661/FUL Ringsfield School. Remove bike shed & insert portacabin. GRANTED

DC/18/1533/FUL Cedar Lodge, Cromwell Road. Linked annexe. Granted.

9 REPORTS

County and District Councillors Reports – See Cllr Punt's report

Parish Councillor Reports –

Cllr Sherriff voiced his concern that size of the shop/accommodation building on the land adj to Church Road is far larger than appears on the original plans, Cllr Rees will have a look.

Cllr Cannell was annoyed by the letter sent re the road race organised by VC Barrachi, he felt the timing was bad for farmers amongst other reasons and he heard that one resident had written to the Traffic Commissioner questioning the legality of their arrangements. Cllr Rees will write to the Club.

Cllr Cannel – the School sign opposite the silo in School Road has slipped down the post, Clrk to report.

Cllr Rees a letter was sent to WDC registering R&W PC's concerns at the application to remove several conditions of Planning Permission granted for the Turbine at Barsham, Clerk to check for a receipt.

Cllr Scott has passed a copy of Cllr Rees' letter to Cllr Ritchie, requesting for weight restrictions on local roads, to Beccles Society.

Cllr Scott has retired from the Beccles Neighbourhood Plan Committee.

Cllr Scott – 2 new GPs are starting at Beccles Health Centre, 1 permanent and 1 for 6 months.

Cllr Cannell gave his apologies for September's meeting as he will be on holiday.

Clerk's Report – To include crime report sourced from Suffolk Constabulary's website.

There was 1 crime reported in May – criminal damage, Cromwell Road, unable to prosecute suspect NALC have advised Cllrs to have a separate email address for Council correspondence

10 ANY OTHER BUSINESS – None

Close There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 8.58pm.

Signed.....Chair Date: 21st September 201

Date of next Meeting 19th October 2018