

**Minutes of Nedging-with-Naughton Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting
(Virtual Meeting via Zoom – due to Covid-19/social distancing)
held on Thursday 8th October 2020**

Present at the virtual meeting: Cllr Harding (Chairman), Lynn Allum (Clerk), Cllr Witham, Cllr Goodman, Cllr Walker, Cllr Pratt. No members of the public accepted the advertised offer to attend.

1. Chairman's welcome & Apologies

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Councillors' declarations of interest

Cllr Pratt declared an interest in planning application DC/20/03946, item 6 on the Agenda.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 08/09/2020

The minutes of the meeting held on 08/09/2020 were approved and agreed as a true record. These minutes will be signed by the Chairman at a later date.

4. Matters arising directly from the minutes

There were no matters arising.

5. Report from Village Hall & Community Council Representative

VH&CC are moving forward with seeking funding for the extension.

A questionnaire has been sent out to village residents to ascertain levels of support for the extension and suggestions for future activities. The village hall is still not open for business.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would write a letter of support to the hall extension project.

6. Planning Application DC/20/03946 – Application for works to tree/s in a Conservation Area – Fell 2 No Yew Trees (T1 Yew tree is dead) (T2 Yew tree leans and will eventually collapse due to the weight of the canopy). Location: St Marys Church, The Green, Nedging with Naughton IP7 7BT

There were no objections to this planning application.

7. Planning Application DC/20/03949 – Erection of a single storey rear extension (following demolition of existing rear single storey outbuilding). Location: 7 Crowcroft Road, Nedging with Naughton IP7 7HR

There were no objections to this planning application.

8. Any further planning applications received since the last meeting

DC/20/04300 – Erection of a single storey rear extension. Location: 1 Pykes Field, Nedging with Naughton, IP7 7GZ

The Council agreed to comment: - "It is unusual for permission to be granted to extend Affordable Home properties. Any extension increases the value of the house and makes it less affordable for subsequent prospective buyers.

This is contrary to the objective of Affordable Homes which is to increase the housing opportunities for lower income families. On this basis the Parish Council are unable to support the Planning Application for 1 Pykes Field."

9. Street Naming for new development at Sunnybank, Crowcroft Road, Nedging with Naughton

It was agreed that 'Crowcroft Gardens' be suggested as the name for the new development at Sunnybank. The Clerk will respond to Babergh accordingly.

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Chairman..... Date.....

10. Finance Report

Balance b/fwd. from previous meeting 08/09/2020 £6,090.63

Income

21/09/2020	Babergh DC Precept	£2,690.00
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Expenditure

16/09/2020	CAS _ Insurance Premium (3 yr LTU)	£204.83
23/09/2020	ICO (data protection fee)	£35.00
28/09/2020	SKY Broadband Provider direct debit	£25.00
29/09/2020	Clerk's Salary Q2	£635.05

Total Expenditure £899.88

Balance as at 08/10/2020 £7,880.75

(Community Account £9.14 Premium Account £7,871.61)

There is one outstanding invoice: SALC Payroll Service from April – Sept 2020. Invoice total £22.80. The Council authorised payment of this invoice.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would meet the cost of a new long reach stapler and staples (approx. £65) for the roundabout magazine. Cllr Goodman will order this and pass the invoice to the RFO for reimbursement.

11. Clerk's Report

Decision Notice DC/20/02871 Sunnybank, Crowcroft Road, Nedging with Naughton IP7 7HR – Erection of single storey front and rear extensions, part replacement to flat roof to rear, demolition of side garden room. – Planning Permission Granted.

It was agreed that the Clerk should receive the new pay rate increase awarded by JNC and that it would be backdated to April in the December salary. SALC advised that Clerks would normally be paid on SCP6 or above and it was also agreed by the Council to increase the Clerks SCP from SPC 5 to SCP 6. Clerks contract will be amended to reflect this change.

As it is still unknown when the next meeting that the Council can meet in person will be, it was agreed that the Clerk will post all documents that requires signatures, to Cllr Harding for signing. All documents have been agreed at previous meetings.

A letter has been received from Sudbury CAB requesting the Council to consider a donation in the budget planning. It was agreed that consideration will be given when planning the budget in December. The Clerk will reply to the CAB informing them of this.

An e mail has been received from the 'Quiet Lanes Team' advising that a bid for grant funding from SCC has been successful and they are now in a position to help Parishes and Towns throughout Suffolk to designate quiet lanes. It was agreed that this could be an idea for Nedging Road and Semer Road. Cllr Goodman will take the lead with this and will register for the initial interest.

12. Any Questions

There were no further questions.

The meeting closed at 8.15 pm

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