Sibton Parish Council

A Meeting of the Parish Council was held virtually via Zoom on Monday, November 23rd 2020 at 7pm.

Present:

Cllr. A. Dale (Chair); Cllr. A. Candler (Vice-Chair); Cllr. A. Cable; Cllr. S. Lear; Cllr. R. Levett-Scrivener and Cllr. D. Sims:

Also Present:

Paul Widdowson (Clerk):

1) Apologies:

County and District Cllr. S. Burroughes:

The Clerk said that former Cllr. C. Nicholson had resigned and after a letter on the noticeboard asking parishioners if they wanted an election to fill the vacancy. Ten parishioners did not ask for an election so the Parish Council are now allowed to co-opt a new Councillor.

2) To receive Declarations of Interest and confirm all Members have reviewed their Declaration of Interest Forms: Councillors to declare any Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests. Members may subsequently declare an interest at any point in the meeting:

There were no declarations of interest. Councillors do not need to declare an interest in setting the Budget or Precept in Item 13.

3) Requests for dispensations:

There were no requests for dispensations.

4) To receive a report from the County and District Councillor:

There was no report from County and District Cllr. S. Burroughes.

5) Public Session: Members of the public have fifteen minutes to ask questions on topics on the agenda.

There were no members of the public at the meeting.

6) To confirm the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on September 28th 2020.

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday, September 28th were agreed.

Proposer: Cllr. D. Sims: Seconder: Cllr. A. Cable:

7) Sizewell C:

Cllr. D. Sims reported that Suffolk County Council and East Suffolk Council had not liked the number of Heavy Goods Vehicles to be used in the construction of Sizewell C. He said that the Sizewell C Consultation Letter had responded by planning to use more trains and to build a jetty at Sizewell C. Cllr. D. Sims said that these were better proposals but he would still like to see more trains and infrastructure used to construct Sizewell C.

After some discussion including the use of the A1120, it was agreed that Cllr. D. Sims would check on the changes proposed and would write the Parish Council's response to the consultation by December 18th. He was asked to email the response to all councillors before sending it.

Proposer: Cllr. S. Lear: Seconder: Cllr. R. Levett-Scrivener:

8) Highways and Speeding:

Cllr. A. Cable reported that one bracket had been put up and the Sign Indicator Device was now operational. He said that another two brackets had still to be put up.

9) Planning Matters:

There were no planning applications.

10) Clerk's Report, Correspondence and Donations:

The Clerk reported that he had received 'Thank You' Letters and Receipts for the Donations to the Citizens Advice Bureau and the Royal British Legion. He said that the Pensions Regulator Re-Declaration had to be made by March 31st 2021, Suffolk Cloud had offered a Councillor Page and East Suffolk Council Planning had written to report that they had adopted the Suffolk Coastal Local Plan. Finally, the Clerk reported that East Suffolk Council Planning had initiated Planning Consultations on the Statement of Community Involvement, Cycling and Walking and on Recreational Disturbance Avoidance and Migration Strategy Supplementary Planning Document.

11) Financial Report:

a) **Balances at the Bank on November 12th 2020:**

Business Community Account	£4 894.44
Business Money Manager	£6 617-34

b) **Receipts and Cheques for payment:**

100394	SALC - Six Month Payroll Service	£22-80
100395	Clerks Salary – October until December 2020	£224-54
100396	Clerks Tax – October until December 2020	£56-00
100397	Suffolk Cloud – Hosting Website	£100-00

Proposer: Cllr. S. Lear: Seconder: Cllr. R. Levett-Scrivener:

12) Internet Banking:

The Clerk explained that for the Parish Council to be able to use HSBC Internet Banking, the Parish Council had to set a limit on the amount that could be spent in one transaction. After some discussion, the limit on one transaction was set at £350 and at the Clerk's suggestion, two councillors in separate emails had to give consent to the for each payment to be paid.

Proposer: Cllr. A. Dale: Seconder: Cllr. R. Levett-Scrivener:

13) Budget and Precept 2021-22:

The Clerk set out the Budget and after some questions, the councillors agreed the Budget:

Proposer: Cllr. S. Lear: Seconder: Cllr. R. Levett-Scrivener:

The Councillors agreed to set the Precept at £2000 for the Financial Year 2021 – 2022:

Proposer: Cllr. D. Sims: Seconder: Cllr. R. Levett-Scrivener:

In setting the budget and precept, it was noted that the Village Railings needed a repaint and it was agreed to find out how many railings there were in the Sibton Parish. It was also noted that the Sibton Sign needed to be refurbished and the defibrillator maintained. There was some discussion on the progress on the use of Broadband Fibre in the parish. It was agreed that Cllr. A. Cable would write a letter and give it to Cllr. A. Dale who would send it to BT.

14) To receive information and agenda items for the next Parish Council Meeting on January 25th 2021:

There were no agenda items for the next Parish Council Meeting.

The Meeting ended at 8-40pm.