

**GREAT CORNARD PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting of the **DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE**

held in The Stevenson Centre at 7:00pm on Monday 23rd October 2023

**PRESENT**  Councillors Cllr Pamela White **Chair**

Cllr Kevin Graham Cllr Tim Hurst

Cllr Melanie Keane Cllr Tom Keane Cllr Stewart Sheridan Cllr Colin Wright

Council Manager Mrs N Tamlyn

Council Administrator Miss E Skuce

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Marjorie Bark and Jane Brooker.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

Cllr Wright declared a non pecuniary interest in Item 7c) as family members reside at the property.

**3. DECLARATIONS OF GIFTS AND HOSPITALITY**

**NONE.**

**4. ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – FOR NOTING**

Members reviewed and **NOTED** the Items Brought Forward list.

**5. CORRESPONDENCE**

1. **20s Plenty: Suffolk Campaign**

Members considered correspondence from 20s Plenty, a not-for-profit organisation, which seeks to involve local Parish Councils in the campaigning to make 20mph the default speed limit where people and motor vehicles mix, with 30mph being an exception.

Members **AGREED** that they would like the Parish Council to become involved in the campaign and for the Council Manager to contact the 20s Plenty organisation for further information.

**6. TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDING EXPENDITURE ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE FY24/25 BUDGET**

Members agreed that building funds for the second stage of phase 1 of the Council’s streetlight upgrade programme was a priority.

A Member suggested a larger replacement dog waste bin on the Recreation Ground, close to Recreation Walk.

It was also suggested that funds could be allocated to provide more commemorative benches in the village.

The Chair asked Members to consider any other items they may wish to see included in the Budget for next year and it was **AGREED** to add the matter to the next Agenda.

**7. TO CONSIDER NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

1. **DC/23/04733 – Richmond Lodge, Kings Hill, Great Cornard**

Application for works to trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order (BT127/G3) and notification of works to trees in a conservation area – lift crown of (T1) Beech (removing epicormic growth) to a height of 15-18 feet.

Recommended – **APPROVAL subject to Babergh District Council’s Arboricultural Officer having no concerns with or objections to the application.**

1. **DC/23/04766 – Linacre, Wells Hall Road, Great Cornard**

Application for works to trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order (BT6/T1) and notification of works to trees in a conservation area (TCA) – reduce Sycamore tree (T1) to a ‘high’ pollard removing approximately 15ft of height and shaping sides to balance.

Recommended – **APPROVAL subject to Babergh District Council’s Arboricultural Officer having no concerns with or objections to the application.**

1. **DC/23/04615 – ‘Moorlands’, Blackhouse Lane, Great Cornard**

Householder application: erection of summerhouse in rear garden.

Recommended – **APPROVAL**

**Meeting closed at 7:14pm**