

MINUTES OF THE WOOLPIT PARISH COUNCIL MEEETING HELD ON MONDAY  
27 OCTOBER 2008 AT 7.3- P.M. IN WOOLPIT INSTITUTE

**Present:** Mr Howard (Chairman), Mr Guyler, Mr Wiley, Mrs Cook, Mrs Parker, Mr Melvin and Rev Farrell.

**Public comment:** Mr Guyler asked what was going to happen to the sand/salt boxes around the village. It was confirmed that the Parish Council have communicated with SCC that sand/salt was no longer required and the boxes need to be removed as they are deteriorating. Mrs Cook volunteered to remove the box at White Elm Lane, Mr Howard the ones near Vindis and Bridge Farm, Mr Guyler the Briar Hill box and Mrs Parker the Green Road box.

Mrs Cook advised that she does not think the trees in White Elm Road are on Mr Prior's land.

Mrs Parker advised that the street light near the junction of Green Road with Steeles Road is not working. She believes that this is one where we had to purchase a new light unit within the last year. The Clerk will investigate.

1. **Apologies for absence** were received from Mr George.

2. **To receive declarations of interest.** Mrs Parker declared an interest in planning application 1250/08 at O C Jewers as her daughter's boyfriend works for the agent. She duly signed the interest book.

3 **To approve minutes of the meeting 6 October 2008.** The minutes were approved and signed.

#### 4. **Planning**

3311/08 Lime tree to be pollarded. The Limes, Drinkstone Road – support.

Mrs Parker left the meeting at 7.47 p.m.

1250/08 Erection of two commercial buildings (one as an alternative to building previously approved as part of planning permission 936/04) for storage use in association with and ancillary to existing seed, corn and agricultural merchant use. O C Jewers and Sons Ltd, Elmswell Road.

This is an amended block plan to previous submission.

After perusing the original documentation and amended block plan, it was unanimously agreed to request a site meeting with the Planning Officer and applicant in conjunction with full and accurate scale drawings showing all elevations, construction details, landscaping and vehicle manoeuvring inside and outside the site.

Mrs Parker rejoined the meeting at 8.00 p.m.

#### 5. **To vote for our preferred representatives to the Mid Suffolk South Community Board.**

Cllrs agreed to vote for the representatives from Drinkstone, Onehouse, Needham Market, Woolpit, Bramford and Claydon.

#### 6. **To discuss Parish Council bank accounts following recent global events and to take any necessary action.**

At the end of September Parish Council funds were £17,026.24 in the Barclays Community Account which includes the second half precept payment from MSDC. This account does not pay any interest. A further £64,089.94 is in the Bank of Ireland Treasurers account which pays interest at 1% above the base rate.

The Clerk has spoken to the Bank of Ireland who has advised that the Irish Government's guarantee is for both personal and business accounts for any balance

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until midnight 28 September 2010. It was unanimously agreed to get this statement in writing on Bank of Ireland headed paper. Once this has been received, the Clerk will transfer some of the balance of the Community Account across to the Bank of Ireland Treasurers Account.

**7. Date of the next Parish Council Meeting – Monday 3 November 2008 at 7.30 p.m. in Woolpit Institute. Noted.**

The meeting closed at 8.20 p.m.

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