

ACTIONS TAKEN BY WOOLPIT PARISH COUNCIL CLERK UNDER DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS APRIL 2020.

Woolpit Neighbourhood Plan

With much regret we advise that Richard Mawhood has resigned from the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group. Richard had been the Chairman of the group from inception and his drive and enthusiasm saw the production through to examination. He has been thanked for all his hard work and effort.

The examiner has advised that she will be unable to complete the examination until she has had an opportunity to visit the Parish to see the sites, areas and key views. She is waiting to see when this will be appropriate in the light of the current lockdown restrictions. She will also be seeking comments on the proposed significant modifications to the Plan. To ensure that everyone in the local community is given the opportunity to comment, this consultation period will be delayed until such time as lockdown restrictions have been eased sufficiently to allow everyone an opportunity to view the documents.

The Swan Inn

Following the designation of The Swan as an Asset of Community Value, the owner has advised MSDC that they intend to dispose of the property. This has triggered a 6 week moratorium until 13 May for an eligible Community Interest Group to submit an Expression of Interest to bid for the property.

Woolpit PC Coronavirus Emergency Group

The group continues to provide assistance to many vulnerable Woolpit residents. A Locality Grant of £500.00 has been secured for the group to cover any costs involved.

Children's Play Area

WPC has agreed to purchase three benches and one table for the play area. It is hoped these can be installed for when the play area can be reopened after the Covid-19 restrictions are lifted.

Report

Goldstar Transport Ltd has withdrawn the application to use the OC Jewers and Sons site as an operating centre for 20 goods vehicles and 20 trailers.

Fly tipping. Illegal fly tipping off Green Road has been reported to MSDC

VE Day 75th Anniversary Commemorations. Events planned by the Parish Council for 8 May have been cancelled because of the restrictions on gatherings and non-essential travel. It is hoped that some events can be rearranged for the VJ commemoration in August.

Planning

20/01131 Discharge of Conditions Application for 2112/16 approved under APP/W3520/W/18/3194926 - Condition 12 (Traffic Calming Measures for Green Road) Land On The East Side Of Green Road – object.

- Woolpit PC has commissioned a report from Orari Transport and Highway Consultants which identifies a number of defects in the proposed scheme. The paragraph references below refer to the report and the detailed reasoning for each of Woolpit PC's objections can be seen in the appropriate section.
- The informal priority system proposed is unworkable (paras 6.11 – 6.17)
- The scheme results in additional danger to pedestrians (paras 6.19 – 6.20)
- A car exiting the garage or parking space of Model Cottage will have to drive over the new footway (para 6.19c)

- The bollards adjacent to Model Cottage cannot be installed as shown as they will be set in the structural concrete underpinning of Model Cottage (para 6.22.3)
- A Road Safety Audit Stage 1 & 2 should be carried out before any scheme is approved (paras 6.16, 6.28, 7.20)

The Orari report should be fully considered by SCC Highways and MSDC Planning before a decision is made on Application 20/01131.

18/04247 Outline Planning Application (Access to be considered) Erection of up to 300 dwellings, construction of a new spine road, land for a new primary school, burial ground extension, village car park and associated infrastructure, Land Off Bury Road. Woolpit Parish Council has agreed to commission a legal opinion to see if there is a case to take the planning decision made by MSDC to a judicial review.

20/00233 Submission of details under outline permission 18/01279 appearance, layout and scale for the erection of 1 warehouse, erection of an office and associated car parking and storage yard. Land at Lawn Farm, Warren Lane. MSDC decision – approved.

20/01187 non material amendment to 17/04949 conversion of garage to additional living accommodation. 1 Horsefair. MSDC decision – approved.

19/05196 First submission of details application (for approval of reserved matters) for outline permission 1636/16 amended by Section 96a appl 19/03517 layout, scale, appearance and landscaping to be considered for the erection of 115 dwellings. Land South of Old Stowmarket Road. MSDC decision – permission granted.

20/00612 Discharge of conditions application 1636/16 Condition 18 (surface water drainage details). Land South of Old Stowmarket Road. MSDC decision – acceptable.

Payments

Suffolk County Council £278.14 pension payment, Laura Bayly £44.00 Millennium Garden March, Gipping Press £305.00 April Diary printing, SALC £767.29 annual subscription 2020/21, Wavelength Aerials £360.17 CCTV car park, Orari Ltd £663.60 traffic calming report for Green Road pinch point. Payments by Standing Order Mrs P Fuller £835.45 March salary, Mr R Bulk £175.33 March salary.

Correspondence

MSDC. £2000 per Cllrs Locality Budget for 2020/21, letter from Chief Planning Officer temporary working arrangements, CPF briefing for parish clerks, moratorium notice for The Swan, amendment to CIL expenditure framework, publication of Drinkstone Neighbourhood Plan examination report. **PKF Littlejohn** instructions for audit of accounts 2019/20. **Rural Services Network** Rural Bulletin 7, 15, 21, 28 April, Funding Digest April. **SALC** Covid-19 ebulletin 1, 3, 6, 8, 15, 17, 24, 27 April. **SCC** Civil Parking Enforcement – Traffic Regulation Orders, update from Collaborative Communities Covid-19 Board 2, 9, 16, 24, 30 April. **Highways England** notification of roadworks A14 Rougham Nursery 27-29 April. **Suffolk Preservation Society** Suffolk View Spring 2020. Local Government Boundary Commission for England Suffolk Electoral Review implementation date new arrangements for SCC likely to be from 2025 not 2021. Comments from residents regarding Green Road pinch point application 5.