

# Felsham Parish Council

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 15th December 2020 held remotely via Zoom platform

Present: Cllr Hayley Nunn Cllr David Simpson Cllr Mark Tavernor  
Cllr Ken Sparkes Cllr Paul Kearney  
Paula Gladwell (Clerk & RFO) County & District Cllr Penny Otton  
1 members of the public

Cllr Nunn took the chair

- 2020/2954 **Apologies for Absence** - Cllr Simon Garrod, Cllr David Williams  
2020/2955 **Declarations of Interest and requests for dispensation** – None  
2020/2956 **Minutes of Parish Council Meeting** – It was proposed by Cllr Nunn that the minutes of the previous Parish Council Meeting were approved with all in favour. The Parish Council Meeting minutes of 17<sup>th</sup> November 2020 will be signed as a true record.  
2020/2957 **County & District Councillor Otton** – Cllr Otton's gave her report, which had been circulated, and is attached to these minutes.  
2020/2958 **Public Participation** – Discussion took place regarding concerns about the re consultation of the planning application for the rear of the Six Bells.  
2020/2959 **Clerks Report** – Nothing to report  
2020/2960 **Planning** – It was Resolved to submit the following comments to MSDC for application nos. DC/20/04572 Re consultation – Erection of 3no. Detached dwellings and associated parking and landscaping utilising the existing public house access, Land to rear of The Six Bells, Church Road – "*Felsham Parish Council OBJECT to this application*" (a copy of the full submission is attached to these minutes).  
2020/2961 DC/20/05517 Notification for works to trees in a Conservation Area – 1no. Sycamore – sectional dismantle leaving stump cut close to ground level. 1no. Ash tree – Remove two lowest lateral branches on the southern aspect – Lower Green farm, Lower Green – "*Felsham Parish Council has NO OBJECTION to this application based on the information available*"  
2020/2962 The following MSDC decisions were noted; DC/20/04898 Application for works to trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order (MS68/A1) – G1 Prune back to boundary line, Remove Russian vine – Holm Oaks, Church Road – GRANTED  
2020/2963 **Finance** – The Finance report for December 2020 was approved.  
2020/2964 The following payments were approved. Prop by Cllr Nunn, with all in favour. Clerks Salary for Nov 2020.  
2020/2965 ICO £40.00  
2020/2966 CPRE £36.00  
2020/2967 Top Garden £192.00  
2020/2968 Further consideration was given to the budget for 2021 – 2022 with amendments made to some budget headings. Further consideration will take place at the next meeting.  
2020/2969 **Village Maintenance** – Tree Officer Report – Cllr Tavernor had nothing new to report  
2020/2970 There were no further Village Maintenance matters reported  
2020/2971 **Conservation Area** – Conservation Officer Report – Cllr Simpson had nothing new to report.  
2020/2972 There were no further Conservation matters reported.  
2020/2973 **Footpaths** – Footpath Officer Report – Cllr Nunn reported concerns at FP12, broken fingerpost and FP3, fallen tree blocking path, these will be reported.  
2020/2974 There were no further Footpath matters reported.  
2020/2975 **Correspondence** – There were no comments to tabled correspondence.  
2020/2976 **Babergh & Mid Suffolk DC consultation on the legal compliance and soundness of the Pre Submission Joint Local Plan** – It was agreed that no further comments be submitted at this time.

- 2020/2977 **Local Housing Needs Survey** – No report has yet been received therefore further consideration was deferred.
- 2020/2978 **Village Sign** – As the planned site visit could not be held due to Covid restrictions further consideration was deferred.
- 2020/2979 **Matters to be brought to the attention of council** – It was noted that graffiti stickers had been placed on various items of street furniture around the village. Cllr's Nunn and Kearney confirmed that they had removed them however new ones have since appeared. It was agreed that a work party in the spring was needed to clean street furniture.

Next meeting of the Parish Council - Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2021 7.30pm