

SAXTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Special Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 24 July 2012 at Todds Farm at 19:30 hours

Present

Councillors George Cullingford (Chairman), Kevin Davis, Graham Ward, Barry Mallion, Lisa Handley, Anita Beamish. Also in attendance: Tony Hutt (Clerk). No members of the public were present. The meeting started at 7.41pm, having relocated from Saxtead School of Dance because access to the building was not obtained in time.

1 Apologies

Councillors Kate Hoare, Colin Walker (SCDC).

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2 New Code of Conduct

Councillors agreed to adopt the Suffolk Local Code of Conduct* with effect from 1st July 2012 (proposed by Cllr Cullingford and seconded Cllr Davis, signed by the Chairman). The Clerk said this had to be done before the end of July, hence the need for this extra meeting.

3 Register of Interests forms

It was noted that the new Register of Interests forms must be completed by Councillors by 28th July. SCDC were implementing this online and Councillors would receive an email on 25 July, the Clerk said, with details of how to provide the information.

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4 Urgent matters and matters for information

Flooding and other problems on the Green Cllr Cullingford said the ditch was flooding on Saxtead Green from Galaxy House all the way to Blue Shutters and is undermining a hedge. It is occurring very regularly. The ice cream van area continues to be a problem—only one post left.

Diamond Jubilee Celebration Cllr Cullingford said it all went well. Dr Dan Poulter MP sent a letter to Cllr Cullingford thanking him and saying he had enjoyed the day. Apparently Saxtead PC was the only one which gave him a mug. There were eight mugs left now. £58.38 had been spent on a catering urn for the Jubilee, and the a cheque for that amount to Mary Axon (bought from HSD Online) was signed. This payment will be approved at the next meeting. The urn will be kept at Todds Farm. The Clerk to add it to the Asset Register. Cllr Cullingford said £395 had been received from sale of mugs and donations, the cost of refreshments was £194.84, leaving £200.16 surplus. (The cost of the mugs was £467.76 inc VAT, thus a net deficit of £267.60, or **£186.88** after reclaiming VAT.)

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A1120 Traffic Speed Mrs Val Speight had contacted AB to say she had been in touch with Highways, who are going to use Smiley SID (Speed indicating device) in Saxtead.

Advertising Signs on Saxtead Green Cllr Beamish had telephoned Bill Bulstrode about signs from the Framlingham Business Association on the green to inform him of the PC's policy and that they would be removed.

Telephone Box on Saxtead Green Cllr Cullingford had met BT Openreach engineers repairing the public telephone on Chapel Lane and asked them about the telephone box on Saxtead Green. He said he would pursue it, but thought someone had adopted it.

Grass cutting on Saxtead Green

It was believed that Suffolk Coastal Services might be cutting grass next door to Manor Farm. It was thought OK for residents to cut some grass just to provide a visibility splay, however.

5 Date of next meeting: Thursday 13 September 2012, 7.30pm at Saxtead School of Dance.

Provisional dates of future meetings: Thursday 13 December 2012, Thursday 14 February, Thursday 28 March 2013, Thursday 25 April 2013 (Annual Parish Meeting), Thursday 23 May 2013 (Annual Parish Council Meeting). All at Saxtead School of Dance at 7.30pm.

The meeting finished at 8.38pm.

*This and associated documents are currently available on the Framsden Parish Council website, see <http://framsden.onesuffolk.net/parish-councillors/code-of-conduct/>.