

REDGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - MINUTES 2 October 2019
Held in the Redgrave Activities Centre at 7.30 pm

Present: Angela Bigley, Angela Clark, Mike Denmark, Ann Preston, the Parish Clerk and 6 members of the public.

1. Chairman's Opening: Mike welcomed everyone.
2. Apologies received: John Giddings, Bob Hayward and Jason Walker.
3. Casual Vacancies: There were no applications.
4. Declarations of interest: None.
5. Minutes of the meeting of 4 September 2019 were agreed as a true record.
6. Progress reports not covered on agenda: There had been an application to retain a notice on the Knoll for Mick the Baker. This was agreed.
7. Public Forum: A member of the public enquired about some notices around the village asking for future building plots. A member of the Neighbourhood Plan group explained that these were part of the Call for Sites they were required to undertake before allocating sites that were appropriate for future development (if any) within the Plan.

Members of the public expressed some concern that the planning application at Hall Lane had been approved and the settlement boundary changes seemingly approved prior to the end of Mid Suffolk District Council's Draft Local Plan consultation (30 Sept). There was no indication that the latter was true. However, it was explained that MSDC, knowing that the Hall Lane application was due to be approved, would have needed to include the changes to the settlement boundary in the Draft Local Plan. Redgrave had been allocated 12 new houses over the lifetime of the Plan and it was presumed that the Hall Lane development would account for nine.

8. Planning:

8.1 Applications:

8.1.1 5 Dudleys Close. Ref. DC/19/04372. Notification of Works to Trees in a Conservation Area - T1 & T2 Ash Trees to be removed as too large for garden and close to oil tank. It was RESOLVED, with all agreed, to have no objection.

8.1.2 Pink House Barn, The Street. Ref. DC/19/04353. Application for Lawful Development Certificate for Existing Use for an Existing use or operation or activity including those in breach of planning condition. Town and Country Planning Act 1990: Section 191 as amended by section 10 of Planning and Compensation Act 1991. Town and Country Planning (Development Management procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Non-Compliance of Condition 2 (Erection of Separating Fence) relating to Planning Permission 0082/19. It was RESOLVED, with all agreed, to have no objection.

8.2 Decisions:

8.2.1 Fen Farm. Ref. DC/19/01890. Notification for Prior Approval for a Proposed Change of Use of Agricultural Building to a Dwellinghouse (Class C3) and for associated Operational Development_ Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 Schedule 2, Part 3, Class Q- Conversion of an agricultural building to 4No residential dwellings. Prior Approval REFUSED.

8.2.2 Land West of Hall Lane, The Street. Ref. DC/18/05289. Planning Application. Construction of 9 dwellings with associated access and landscaping. Planning Permission GRANTED.

9. Ongoing Items:

9.1 Entrance Gateways: SCC had confirmed that the site would accept a 1500mm gateway and a 960mm gateway on the southbound approach to Redgrave, and 2no. 960mm gateways on the northbound approach. They had also confirmed that any damaged signs would be replaced. The design phase would last approximately four weeks after which SCC would pass the job on to their Operations and Commercial Teams for the development of the method of working and commercial checks. It was anticipated that this stage would take another four weeks to complete. Once the construction estimate had been completed, the Operations Team would have a maximum of 14 weeks to deliver the scheme on-site. SCC

would inform the PC when the date for the works was scheduled. The design of the gateways had been confirmed.

9.2 Neighbourhood Plan: The NHP Committee had been busy assimilating the data from the recent consultation, following an 80% rate of return. This would be turned into a presentation reporting on the results and residents would be asked to vote on a number of “visions” and “objectives” for the Plan. Events were planned for Saturday, 30 November at Redgrave Church and Tuesday, 3 December at the Cross Keys PH. Further details with times would be publicised. The consultant hired to help with the Plan was very impressed by the response to the consultation and predicted that the village would complete its part of the Plan by September 2020. The PC congratulated everyone involved and thanked them for their hard work.

9.3 Tree Planting: The group had determined that the Town Pit site need very little preparation for planting and the site was already marked out in anticipation of receiving the trees at the end of November / beginning of December. There had been an article in the Diss Express about the project and it had been confirmed that local school children would be helping with the planting.

10. New Items:

10.1 Review and Update of Council Documents: The PC reviewed the documents and it was RESOLVED, with all agreed, to accept the new Standing Orders and Financial Regulations, copies of which would go on the website.

10.2 Risk Assessment: The PC RESOLVED, with all agreed, to adopt the recommendations in the updated Risk Assessment policy.

10.3 Remembrance Day Event: It was agreed to ask Wing Commander Chris Davies to represent Redgrave.

10.4 Meeting Dates 2020: These were agreed as follows - 8 Jan; 5 Feb; 4 Mar; 1 Apr; 6 May; 10 Jun; 1 Jul; 2 Sep; 7 Oct; 4 Nov. As always, there were no August or December meetings and the June meeting would be held a week late.

10.5 Asparagus Field: It was RESOLVED, with all agreed to continue the current rental arrangements at £50 per annum.

11. Correspondence:

11.1 SCC: The proposals for new council divisions and division boundaries for the County Council were noted. A briefing for parish/town councils would be held at Endeavour House, Ipswich at 18:30 on Thursday, 10 October.

11.2 MSDC: The PC received the notification from MSDC of Intended Disposal of an Asset of Community Value for the Redgrave Community Shop. Councillors noted that the lease had recently been renewed for four years. It was therefore RESOLVED, with all agreed, that the PC would not issue an expression of interest in purchasing the shop premises.

11.3 MSDC: The PC noted the new annual five-year housing land supply position statement which demonstrated a 5.66-year supply.

11.4 SALC: It was noted that on 23 September 2018 new regulations on digital accessibility had come into effect requiring all local councils to make their websites and mobile apps accessible for users with a disability by 23 September 2020. The Clerk would review the website and make the necessary changes.

11.5 SALC: The PC noted the opportunity to provide feedback on the external audit regime.

11.6 SALC: The PC noted the consultation with members on SALC’s review of its governance arrangements and constitution.

12. Finance:

12.1 Account balance:	£ 36,315.90	
Income	£ 7,700.00	MSDC Precept 2 nd half
12.2 Accounts for Payment:		
Admin Payments	£ 439.21	Not itemised due to GDPR
Came and Company	£ 722.85	Insurance 14/10/19 – 13/10/20
SCC	£ 1,517.80	PC contrib to Gateways Prof Fees
C Giddings	£ 48.00	Neighbourhood Plan website

MSDC	£	34.00	Dog/Litter Bins – Addtl Fees
Compasspoint Planning	£	509.00	Neighbourhood Plan consultant
A Bigley	£	25.00	Plants for The Knoll

RESOLVED, with all agreed, to approve payment of the accounts detailed above.

12.3 Draft Budget 2020-21: It was agreed to consider the draft budget further at the November meeting.

13. Matters carried forward from this meeting or to be brought to the attention of the council: None.

14. New matters for next meeting: None.

15. Next meeting: 6 November 2019.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.33 pm.