



MEETING OF CAMPSEA ASHE PARISH COUNCIL, Tuesday 18th March 2025, 19.00 at Station House

PRESENT/ Participants: SCC Cllr Alexander Nicoll (AN), ESC Cllr Sally Noble (SN), Eddie Berger (EB), Clare Reid (CR), Nigel Pringle (NP) Felicity Gillott (FG), Klaus Fortmann, clerk (KF) and members of the public

24.72 Apologies;

24.73 Declarations of interest none

24.74 To consider requests for dispensation on agenda items - none

24.75 Minutes of the Parish Council meeting dated 21st Jan 2025

Notes approved as an accurate record and signed by EB;

24.76 Public Participation

Members of public attending participated in discussion re 24.79/4 & 24.83/1

24.77 Membership update; Hannah Pauly has resigned as PC member.
The PC urgently need new members, as it is at a bare minimum level now.

24.78 Highways

1) Clerk reported on meeting JPTI / ESC, with a summary sent to all members. One of the results of widening CIL funding might be a provision for cycling path between Wickham & Campsea as well as better connectivity between Rendlesham & Campsea. There is some frustration about the level of tangible achievement by the JPTI, but Cllr AN reassured PC members that the level of co-operation between PC has been very positive since the JPTI set an example there. Cllr AN urged members to be more active in participating in meetings. The PC resolved not to pursue a revitalised idea re a new A12 link road to BW, as it is feared it being a 'Trojan Horse' scenario for the peninsular and it might not be controllable with regards to level of developments. **KF/EB**

24.79 Planning Matters

1/ DC/24/3510/FUL – Ashe Park – the PC had submitted an acceptance of the modified plans to reflect concerns of privacy by neighbours.

2/DC/21/5550/FUL Loudham Solar Farm; Clerk & Cllr FG reported on a new consultation event which somehow fell short in showing actual visual impact of panels. The cycling/footpath idea through valley to be funded via s106 by developer had been brought up by Wickham Market. **NP/KF**

3/ The PC agreed to initiate discussion with local landowners re call for land for new Local Plan.

4/ Enforcement Action Ashe Green Livery,
ESC had sent an enforcement officer to the livery to investigate the complaint by the PC. The complaint was upheld on several issues with the livery having to either submit new planning application or change the works done on site. The Livery stated that some of the issues were linked to them not being aware of rules or stipulation rather than knowingly breaching conditions as well as still being a building site. The PC acknowledged that some issues might resolve once building works are completed, as well as improved communication be a better future route to resolve matters, clerk re-iterated concern that breaches continued even after visit of officers. There was some positive feedback by residents re riders cleaning up after their horses.

5/ DC/24/2950/FUL – Rectory Fields; PC resolved for clerk to represent PC at upcoming Planning Committee South meeting and to present the PC's view of the development. No further contact has been sought by developer.

24.80 Energy Projects

- 1/ Clerk attended the Southern Transport Forum as did SCC Cllr AN. Clerk reported that the reported 98% increase of traffic since 2015 is being queried by SzC and a new monitoring is being suggested. Clerk awaiting contact from SzC (Rebecca Quigg). The demand by CA PC for an increase of permanent monitoring stations is being progressed and PC's are awaiting detail from SzC.
- 2 A meeting is being set up by AEPA at Snape Maltings (10th April 18.00) to update on progress of the wider Energy Projects in the area.

24.81 Play Area / Recreation ground

- 1/ Clerk reported no issues re Playarea.

24.82 Village Hall

- 1) Easement –solicitor is progressing with the VH part of the proposal. Clerk hopes to have agreement in principle available by April/May 2025.
- 2) The PC resolved
A/ acceptance of changes to the deeds and the easement proposal to be reflected in the title; (ref PC meeting 16th Jan 2024 23.57 & Mar 2024 resolution, 23-71, re. STO 15/b/xii & 23 re execution of legal deeds)
B/ the acceptance of the payment of £5000 in lieu of the proposed easement across the Playing Field, subject to an affirmative valuation report by the solicitors.

24.83 Clerks Report

- 1 Member CR reported on VEDAY80 plans for 11th May 13.00-17.00, which are being progressed with Tunstall & Rendlesham.
Planned events include Vehicle display, band playing/dancing, Dig for Britain (WAC), Pub participation, Booklet produced by Heritage Group, Newspaper & Flyer to be printed (with Village Voice), Poetry & Painting competition, Victoria Sandwich competition. VH to raffle (proceed for refurb), general donation collection for British Legion. CR to progress and liaise with relevant bodies. SH is closed during weekend, church might organise a service; wreath laying ceremony
- 2 clerk to progress Village Emergency Plan when time allows.
- 3 The PC reviewed & adopted Statutory Documents for 2024/25 (Red Folder).
Relevant documents and actions were distributed & progressed prior to the meeting.
Standing Order & Financial Regulations; Code of Conduct; Transparency Code; Asset Register (unchanged from Sept24); Review of Internal Control – chair ; Risk Assessment general & financial; GDPR policy; CIL Statement year ending 31/03/2025 (2025 statement to be published by 31/12/25)
- 4 Clerk discussed with members their ROI and it was confirmed them being correct and updated.
- 5 PC resolved to increase clerks pay scale to SCP12 from 01/04/2025 as per NALC standard contract.
- 6 Heelis Lodge was confirmed as auditor for the PC
- 7 NP to follow up on recent communications about fencing requirements for PC's plot at Chantry Close
- 8 PC resolved to change email set up to the suggested .gov domains.

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24.84 RFO Report

1/ PC agreed to 2025 grass cutting quote by ESS.

2/ RFO has produced the following statement

RFO warned of uncomfortable low funds, which should be rectified shortly with the easement fund coming through.

Payments received	0.00 Interest
Balance on 31/02/25	£ 4230.63 in Community Account (Current)
	£ 3779.71 in Business Savings Account
	£ 8010.34

Expenditure to be approved

E25/30	SH hire	£ 90.00
E25/31	Clerk	£ 763.02
E25/32	HMRC	£ .69
E25/33	Heritage Group	£ 230.00 (VE Day booklet)
E25/34	WAC	£ 138.62
	Total	£ 1222.33

Expenditure year to date (= approved) £ 17230.50

Balance after approved & uncashed chqs £ 6780
(of which earmarked reserves £ 4123.19)

PC agreed to move money within the Earmarked Funds

General/Maintenance £2062; plus 300 from Highways	= £2362
VH £500; plus 200 from Election	= £700
Highways £800 move £300 to General	= £500
Election £400; move 200 to VH	= £200
Chantry Close	= £85
Earmarked Funds total	£ 4123.19

3/ Donations 2024/25;

PC agreed to a donation of £150 to CAB Leiston £150

PC resolved for both WAC & Heritage Modus to approach PC for financial support if/when required.

24.85 Correspondence received

- all relevant communication passed on to PC members

The clerk will send summary of meetings to all members, as PC acknowledges that members could be more active in partaking.

**Date of next meeting to be held: The PC, AMP & AMC meetings will be held on
Tuesday 20th May 2025, from 19.00 in Village Hall.**

Bold red initialled (xx) points refer to specific actions to be undertaken

Klaus Fortmann, Clerk

31/03/2025