



# Waldringfield Parish Council

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## Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2019

**In attendance:** Councillors Kay, Gold, Matheson, Elliot, Lyon and Reid  
SCC Councillor O'Brien and 2 members of the public

**Clerk:** Colin Reid

1. To **RECEIVE** apologies for absence – apologies were received from Cllr Archer (holiday). Neither District Councillor was present.

2. To **RECEIVE** declarations of interest – none

To **RECEIVE** delegated Declaration of Interest Dispensation decisions or **APPROVE** non-delegated DPI dispensations requested by a councillor – none

### **Parish Issues – An opportunity for parishioners to bring matters to the attention of the Parish Council and for parishioners to seek guidance from the Council**

Members of the public **commented negatively** on the application DC/19/1988/OUT below.

3. To **APPROVE** the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on **11<sup>th</sup> June 2019** – the minutes were **APPROVED** by all who had been present, this being proposed by Cllr Kay and seconded by Cllr Elliot. It was commented that it had been a very full meeting and that there had been no discussion then about responding to the offer from the AONB of an on-site meeting about a possible AONB boundary sign at the Waldringfield Heath Crossroads. It was agreed that this should be on the agenda of the next PC meeting and that Cllr Reid would prepare a paper.

4. To **CONSIDER** planning applications for **COMMENTS** – the Parish Council considered the following planning applications:

**DC/19/285/FUL Crow Cottage, Cliff Rd, Waldringfield:** Internal alterations, new porch, new cladding and driveway configuration. It was unanimously agreed that this was a sympathetic modernisation of the property and that **APPROVAL** should be recommended – proposed by Cllr Elliot and seconded by Cllr Reid. It was also proposed that the attention of the applicant should be drawn to the Parish Council's recently revised Landscape and Wildlife Policy and it was agreed that the Parish Council's response to the District should include a reference to the permeability of the hard surfaces and drainage measures included in the application.

**DC/19/1988/OUT Land to the North of the A14 and to the West of the A12 Foxhall (Orwell Green Garden Village):** Outline Application (with all matters reserved except for means of access for the erection of up to 2,700 dwellings, (including 33% affordable housing); apartments with care (C2 use class); vehicular access from a new roundabout off the A12, improvements to Felixstowe Road (including pedestrian/cycle footways); accesses and two roundabouts on Bucklesham Road; Layout to incorporate neighbourhood centres and market square (use classes A1, A2, A3, A4, A5, D1 and D2), two primary schools; Green Infrastructure including a village green, sports pitches and courts, club house, changing facilities, a community park (and car park), trim trail, neighbourhood equipped areas of play, locally equipped areas of play, habitat enhancement, landscaping and public realm works, community orchard, allotments, footpaths and cycling routes. Removal of existing on site reservoirs.

The Council, with support expressed by County Councillor O'Brien, was strongly of the view that three weeks was a wholly inadequate period to allow for proper consultation on such a large and extensively documented development. Nevertheless it was clear that the proposed development did not comply with the local plan, it was not for land allocated in the core strategy and that furthermore the District Council had a fully sufficient supply of projected housing, especially as the emerging local plan now allocates land for housing at the Martlesham Police HQ site. The Parish Council regarded these grounds alone as justifying its recommendation that the application be **REJECTED** – proposed by Cllr Elliot, seconded by Cllr Reid and carried unanimously. There were also many immediately evident shortcomings in the application, for example regarding the traffic

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implications on the surrounding area where no account had been taken of the frequent problems on the Orwell Bridge or of the additional traffic projected during the 15-year building of Sizewell C.

To **MAKE ARRANGEMENTS** to deal with applications received after publication of this agenda – the Chair reported that he was not aware of any other planning applications received since the publication of the agenda.

To **NOTE** any application decisions received – the Chair reported that he was not aware of any decisions received since the last meeting.

To **RECEIVE** any other planning information – it was noted that an appeal has been launched by the applicant regarding the projected development of four houses on the Eureka site in Cliff Road. This will be considered further at the next meeting of the Parish Council.

**The Chair closed the meeting at 8.15pm.**