

# ELVEDEN PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the meeting of Elveden Parish Council held on Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> January 2023, at 7.30pm in Elveden Estate Office Meeting Room

Present: Cllrs Rob Minty (Chair), Rebecca Younge and Colleen Billing. Also in attendance, Cllr Victor Lukaniuk and Hugo Nugent

1. **APOLOGIES** Cllr Colin Noble
2. **CO-OPTION OF A NEW COUNCILLOR**  
The Council agreed the co-option of a new councillor, Mr Hugo Nugent. Mr Nugent signed the Acceptance of Office forms.
3. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.**  
The minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday, 11th March 2022 were agreed and signed as a true record. It was noted that the council had been inquorate at the meetings in July and October.
4. **MATTERS ARISING**  
There were none.
5. **SUFFOLK COUNCIL AND WEST SUFFOLK COUNCIL NEWS**  
Items included a review of the success of the Restart grant.
6. **ROADS AND FOOTPATHS**  
Some by-ways on the Estate were currently in a very poor condition. Restoration of the damaged by-ways was being hindered by the large numbers of off-road vehicles using them. Closure was reluctantly being considered.
7. **RURAL CRIME**  
Police crime figures for November 2022 recorded five crimes of theft and antisocial behaviour at Centre Parcs and two of antisocial behaviour near the Elveden Inn.
8. **ADOPTION OF LGA MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT**  
The previously circulated LGA Model Code of Conduct was considered and then adopted by the Council (C.P.,R.M.)
9. **VEHICLE ACTIVATED SPEED SIGN**  
The council resolved (R.Y., C.P.) to implement the installation of a Vehicle Activated Speed Sign with a financial cost of up to £4,000).
10. **FINANCIAL MATTERS**
  - (a) Alteration of cheque signatories – the Clerk reported that Lloyds Bank had failed to action this request on three occasions, resulting in significant

inconvenience and additional costs to the Clerk. The Clerk had made a formal complaint to the Bank and had received some compensation for the inconvenience and additional costs involved such as travel and telephone calls that were carried out in the clerk's personal time of £30 and £5. The Clerk would continue to pursue this matter to resolution.

- (b) Cheques to be signed – the following cheques were signed:- Mrs C Youngs, Clerk Oct-Nov-Dec 2022.; Mrs C Youngs, Clerk – reimbursement of compensation pay out.
- (c) Precept Request – After reviewing the budget, the Council resolved to increase the Precept request by £100 to £1,300. (C.P., R.Y.)

11. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

No further planning applications had been received.

12. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Full District and Parish elections in West Suffolk will be held on Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

13. **DATE OF FUTURE MEETING** – 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023