

BUXHALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extra Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held

On 17th August 2017

in the Village Hall

Councillors Present:

Cllr David Steed (chair)

Cllr Malcolm Manning

Cllr Arthur Hicks

Cllr Chris Hall

Cllr Anne Hicks

Tina Newell - Clerk

2 members of the public

- 2017/146 **To receive and consider apologies for absence:** Cllr Hubert Mitson and Cllr Jacqueline Taylor
- 2017/ 147 **To receive declarations of interest in accordance with the councils Code of Conduct for the items on the agenda and to consider any requests for dispensations relating to disclosable pecuniary interest:** Cllr Steed declared an interest in item 4.
- 2017/148 **Public Forum:** Members of the public spoke in support for the planning application (item 4 on the agenda) despite not receiving notification from the local planning authority (MSDC) regarding this application. Concerns were raised at the impact on the countryside views due to the size of the buildings. It was suggested that trees planted to the South and green cladding on the buildings would help to obscure the view of the buildings.
- 2017/149 **Planning Applications:** Ton consider and comment on applications made to the local planning authority:
Cllr Hall was appointed chairman for this item. Cllr Steed left the room. After careful consideration of all the points raised and discussion with members of the public around the content of the application documents it was resolved to submit the following response to MSDC : Application DC/17/03661
Erection of a crop and general purpose agricultural store at Leffey Hall Farm, Brettenham Road, Buxhall IP14 3DX – Buxhall Parish Council SUPPORTS this application with the following note: planting to the south should include mature trees along with saplings to ensure minimal immediate impact on the landscape and views.
- 2017/150 **Planning Decisions:** To note determinations by the Local Planning Authority (MSDC): None received
- 2017/151 **External Annual Audit:** To discuss options available following the overstated value on asset register in Annual Return 2016/17. Council resolved to accept

- Clerks recommendation and to amend the annual return at a cost to council of £30.00. Proposed Cllr Anne Hicks seconded Cllr Hall with all in favour.
- 2017/152 **Community Action Suffolk:** To confirm renewal of our membership with CAS (no cost to the council). Council resolved with all in favour for Clerk to renew membership.
- Matters to be brought to the attention of the council:**
- 2017/153 Cllr Manning confirmed Pot Holes along Edmunds Road were more severe. Clerk agreed to report to Highways.
- 2017/154 Cllr Hall informed the council of a black box which had been sited near Kevin Mayhew site. Clerk to investigate further and report back at next meeting.
- 2017/155 Cllr Arthur Hicks asked if there was any update on Stowmarket Town Football Club using the playing field. Clerk confirmed an email had been sent on 31st July 2017 chasing but no reply had been received. Clerk to speak with a member of the club and report back.
- 2017/156 Cllr Arthur Hicks suggested if the VAS machine could be with Buxhall for one calendar month, every other month commencing October 2017. The suggested change over date should be on or as close to 1st of the month. Clerk to speak with Felsham Clerk and report back at September meeting.
- 2017/157 Cllr D Steed closed the meeting at 9.58am.

The next Meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Monday 18th September 2017 commencing at 7.30pm