

CLOPTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Clopton Village Hall
On Wednesday 16th December 2024 at 7.35 pm.

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| Present: Cllr Tiley-Nunn, Cllr Raffell, Cllr Lye, Cllr Pitt, Cllr Ashard | In Attendance: D Gooch (Clerk), One resident, plus Tom Selby, Clerk to Debach PC. | Apologies Cllr Bright, Cllr Elia. |
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| CPC138/24 Chairmans Welcome Cllr Tiley-Nunn welcomed everyone to the meeting. | |
| CPC139/24 Apologies Cllrs Bright and Elia. These were approved. | |
| CPC140/24 Declaration of Interests/Dispensation Applications Received None. | |
| CPC141/24 The Minutes of the Meeting of the Council 20 th November 2024 were approved. Proposer Cllr Pitt, Seconder Cllr Lye. | |
| CPC142/24 Matters arising from the minutes Suffolk Highways Safety and Speed Management's draft report for a 40mph Speed Limit on B1078 Charsfield Road in Clopton, had been distributed to councillors. Parish Council and CC Bryce's comments were required by 17th January. Cllr Raffell considered the report a travesty and an insult. The PC's April 2021 report making the case for the speed limit, and describing how the criteria was met, hadn't been referenced, and Highway's draft report didn't address the issues raised. The draft report had also failed to note the impact of Sizewell C. The PC agreed to ask Highways to attend on site meeting, preferably at a time when the school bus is either picking-up, or dropping-off children. If a convenient date couldn't be found before the 17 th January, then an extension to this date would need to be requested. | Clerk |
| CPC143/24 Planning Matters Planning decisions: None. Planning applications considered: i) DC/24/4101/FUL : Proposal: Erection of a new two storey building and associated external works at Clopton Commercial Park, for 9no. new business units. Clopton Commercial Park, Debach Airfield, Clopton, Woodbridge, Suffolk, IP13 6QT. Deadline for comments 1 st January 2025. The PC discussed that the planned business units were on a brownfield site, and although this would bring additional traffic, it would also mean more local job opportunities, and use of community assets, for example the café and gym. The PC agreed, with one abstention, to support the application. ii) DC/24/4271/FUL : Proposal: Demolition of rear extension, erection of single storey rear extensions. Manor Cottage, Manor Road, Clopton, Woodbridge, Suffolk IP13 6SH. Deadline for comments 1 st January 2025. iii) DC/24/4272/LBC : Listed Building Consent - Demolition of rear extension, erection of single storey rear extensions. Manor Cottage, Manor Road, Clopton, Woodbridge, Suffolk IP13 6SH. Deadline for comments 1 st January 2025. | |

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| <p>The PC considered (ii) and (iii) together, and were pleased that the planned work would bring part of the building to modern specifications. The PC unanimously agreed to support the application, and also to recommend that a condition be included within any approval to the effect that 'All associated construction traffic (irrespective of vehicle size) be routed from the B1078 at its junction with Manor Road, for access to the site. This is on the basis that Birds Hill is a single-track road with limited passing places, having more than 10 residential properties, whereas Manor Road is much wider and more suitable for two-way traffic, with only a single residence prior to the site. It should be noted that the additional distance for any construction traffic approaching from the south and using the suggested route, is less than 1 mile.</p> <p>Planning Applications received after the agenda was produced - None.</p> <p>Other planning matters None.</p> | Clerk to submit responses. |
| <p>CPC144/24 Correspondence The following were noted by the Parish Council:</p> <p>i) Railway 200 - National Event 2025 Railway 200 would like to connect with local councils in Suffolk as they prepare for the upcoming anniversary, the birth of the modern railway, a milestone in our national heritage. See: https://www.salc.org.uk/r/NgQ/m/256584</p> <p>ii) Suffolk Police and Crime Plan 2025-2029 The survey takes ~25 minutes to complete, depending on how much detail you provide, however you can skip to the sections you are most interested in. Following the consultation, the plan will be updated and presented to the Police and Crime Panel in February, for adoption by 31st March 2025.</p> | |
| <p>CPC145/24 Dates of future Parish Council meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wednesdays: 15th January 2025, & 19th March 2025. Both 7.30pm in the Village Hall. | |
| <i>Meeting closed at 7:50pm</i> | |
| <p>Chairman:</p> <p>Date:</p> | |