MINUTES OF THE WOOLPIT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 19 APRIL 2017 AT 6.45 P.M. IN WOOLPIT INSTITUTE

Present: Mr Guyler (Chairman), Mr Hardiman, Mr Wheatley, Mr Howard and 1 member of the public.

- 1. **Apologies for absence** were received from Mr Lomax, Mrs Cook and Mrs Parker.
- 2. To receive declarations of interest. There were none.

3. Planning

1153/17 Notification for prior approval for a proposed change of use of agricultural building to dwelling house (Class C3) and for associated operational development. Conversion of barn to residential including details required under Class Q (b). Barn at Grassy Lane Farm, Warren Lane – support.

1155/17 Application for outline planning permission with access included for the erection of a detached dwelling and garage. Appearance, landscaping, layout and scale to be dealt with in a later Reserved Matters application. Green Farm, Green Road – support.

1359/17 Demolish existing building and replace with a portal steel framed building for multi purpose/general storage. Woolpit Nurseries, Old Stowmarket Road – support.

4. To approve accounts for payment.

Payments of £365.66 to HMRC for Tax and N/I January-March 2017 and Anglian Water Business Ltd £13.44 allotments 15/11/16-14/4/17 were unanimously ratified. Mr K Harknett £75.00 litter picking March, Gipping Press £246.12 April/May Diary, Laura Bayly £40.00 Millennium Garden March, Michael Hardiman £70.00 reimbursement for tap for allotments £45.00 and post mix for dog litter bin £25.00, Woolpit Institute £416.00 office rent May-July 2017, Suffolk County Council £240.66 April pension payment. Items paid by standing order Val Mayhew £192.00 March salary, Peggy Fuller £683.94 March salary. All accounts were approved and cheques issued.

5. To reconsider the grant to purchase a gas oven for Woolpit Cricket Club following further information and take any necessary action.

Following a visit from a gas inspector the original cooker is too powerful for WCC needs and would need considerable further work to make it a viable option. WCC are now looking to install a smaller cooker at a cost of £795.00 including VAT. It was unanimously agreed to purchase this cooker for WCC.

6. To consider quotes for grass cutting of the playing field and sports field and take any necessary action.

It was proposed, seconded and carried that the contract be awarded to Parkers Pitches at a cost of £1150.00 for the playing field and £550.00 for area by the sports field.

Action: the Clerk.

7. **To receive correspondence/communications and deal with any matters. SCC** prohibition of entry and one-way traffic for motor vehicles order Mill Lane, Suffolkonboard newsletter April. **MSDC** forthcoming release of call for site submissions, May 2017 Parish Liaison meetings, April CIL payments. **Rural Services Network** Rural Housing Spotlight, Rural Economy spotlight, Rural Vulnerability Service rural transport March, rural broadband April, news digest 3, 10, 18 April, Rural Opportunities bulletin, RSN seminar – (re) defining rural places. Suffolk Highways A1088 Woolpit Road Norton bridge signing improvements. **UK Power Networks** Stakeholder newsletter spring 2017. **Community Action Suffolk**

news 22 March, 5 & 19 April, CAS & voluntary sector survey, Suffolk Volunteering
Conference 2017. SARS and Suffolk Age UK letters of thanks for donation.
Parliament Jo Cox Foundation Great Get Together 17 & 18 June. SALC information
bulletin 3 & 10 April. Bruno Peek Battles Over – A Nation's Tribute and WWI
Beacons of light update.

8.	Date of the next Parish Council Meeting - Monday 15 May 2017 at	t
7.3	0 pm. Noted.	

The meeting ended at 7.05 p.m.	
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