

Wendens Ambo Parish Council

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting 12th April, 2021

Wendens Ambo Parish Council Meeting on Zoom at 8pm.

Present: Vice- Chair Alan Lovett, Cllr Kathryn Butterworth, and Cllr Sam Slota-Newson.

In Attendance: County Councillor John Moran, District Councillor Neil Gregory, one member of the public and the clerk.

04/21/01	Chair`s Welcome Vice-Chair Alan Lovett welcomed everyone to the meeting and led a minutes silence to remember HRH The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh.
04/21/02	Apologies For Absence Apologies for absence were received and noted from Chair Gail Gibbs.
04/21/03	Declarations Of Interests None.
04/21/04	Public Participation A member of the public requested that the Parish Council discuss the drainage issues within the village and the possibility of installing mains drainage. <i>Councillors Simon Rowley and Chris Stringer joined the meeting.</i>
04/21/05	Co-Option of New Councillor No candidates have come forward. The Council resolved to continue to encourage residents to consider this position.
04/21/06	County Councillor`s Report County Councillor John Moran reported that the Local Highways Panel met last Tuesday and have agreed that ; i. The proposed cycle way from Great Chesterford to Audley End has now gone to the design stage, which may take six months before reaching validation for funds to be located. ii. In Saffron Walden the proposed reduction in speed limit on Audley End Road has now gone through the legal process and design stage and it is hoped that the new limit will be in place by the end of June, to coincide with events restarting at Audley End. iii. The proposed extension of the 30mph speed limit on the Royston Road is still going through the early process. <i>County Cllr Moran lost internet connection, and left the meeting.</i>
04/21/07	District Councillor`s Report District Councillor Neil Gregory noted that the call for sites concludes 21/04/2021, and should be published soon after. District Cllr Gregory drew the Council`s attention to the significant number of large proposals in South Cambridgeshire abutting our area, although noted that SCDC appear to be more interested in developing North Stowe, Waterbeach and Cambourne. Uttlesford continues to need to find a suitable location for 12,000 new houses, and it is confirmed that thousands will be built in Dunmow. Speculative developments remain a concern in all areas. Cllr Rowley requested an update regarding the possibility of the Parish Council hiring the mobile air quality testing facility to undertake air quality testing at Audley End station. District Cllr Gregory agreed to chase the request.
04/21/08	Previous Minutes Councillors agreed the minutes of the March Parish Council meeting as a true and accurate records of proceedings and Vice-Chair Alan Lovett devolved power to the Clerk to sign the minutes on her behalf.
04/21/09	Clerk`s Report i. Chair Gibbs has confirmed that the website invoices have been paid by Trevor Back, who will forward his bank details to the clerk for reimbursement. ii. The plaques from The Wick are not yet available for collection. <i>County Cllr Moran rejoined the meeting and continued his report.</i> County Councillor`s Report (continued)

	<p>iv. An application has been submitted and approved to reduce the speed limit in Saffron Walden town centre to 20mph.</p> <p>v. The vaccination programme continues to be successful, with Uttlesford having the lowest infection rate in East Anglia.</p> <p>Vice-Chair Lovett voiced the Council's continued concerns about speeding through the village and in particular at the western end of the village, and shared a resident's report of having to throw himself in a hedge to avoid a speeding vehicle. The particular driver is a regular offender, who has been spoken to by a concerned resident, and was verbally abusive, which was reported to the Police and resulted in a Community Order being handed out.</p> <p>County Councillor John Moran explained that the road safety numbers in Wendens Ambo are fortunately very low, but the recorded numbers do not take into consideration all the near misses, and so Essex Highways do not receive the full picture. County Cllr Moran noted the usefulness of personal testimony, and recommended that individuals report all incidents to the Police and copy to County Councillor Moran.</p> <p>Cllr Rowley noted the increase in speeding motor bikes and hot hatch bikes, and County Councillor Moran suggested that filming offenders would provide evidence to discuss with the Police and Essex Highways.</p>
04/21/10	<p>Financial Report</p> <p>i. The clerk presented a statement and review of accounts and invoices for payment;</p> <p>OP - Falcon Tree Specialist - tree work on the Wick - £420.00</p> <p>DD - eSlip Ltd - February monthly payroll - £17.96</p> <p>DD - Unity Trust Bank - quarterly charge - £18.00</p> <p>OP - Clerk's March salary (& annual leave) - £883.87</p> <p>OP - Clerk's March expenses - £47.25</p> <p>OP - HMRC quarterly payment - £247.00</p> <p>OP - Trevor Back - reimburse website invoices -£191.06</p> <p>DD - eSlip Ltd - March monthly payroll - £17.96</p> <p>OP - EALC/NALC 2021/22 Affiliation - £148.85</p> <p>These were agreed for payment.</p>
04/21/11	<p>Planning</p> <p>The following comments were agreed for return to Uttlesford District Council;</p> <p>i. UTT/21/0896/HHF- Pekin Cottage, Duck Street, Wendens Ambo Proposed single storey side extension - <u>The Parish Council resolved to support this application.</u></p> <p>ii. UTT/21/0689/FUL - Aviation House, Bearwalden Business Park, Royston Road, Wendens Ambo Section 73A part retrospective application for the erection of extensions to 2 no. existing buildings - <u>The Parish Council voted three in favour and two against, to submit no comments in response to this application.</u></p> <p>iii. UTT/21/1088/LB - The Cottage, Audley End Business Centre, Mutlow Hill, Wendens Ambo Removal of existing lobby to The Cottage and The Barn, to re-establish two separate business premises. erection of replacement lobby to The Cottage, to provide wc, shower and kitchen - <u>The Parish Council resolved to support this application.</u></p> <p>iv. UTT/21/1087/FUL - The Cottage, Audley End Business Centre, Mutlow Hill, Wendens Ambo Removal of existing lobby to The Cottage and The Barn, to re-establish two separate business premises. erection of replacement lobby to The Cottage, to provide wc, shower and kitchen - <u>The Parish Council resolved to support this application.</u></p> <p>The following planning decision was noted;</p> <p>iii. UTT/21/0014/HHF - 3 Church Path, Church Street, Wendens Ambo Conversion of detached garage to residential ancillary use for art studio, store, shower room and bedroom - <u>Approved with conditions.</u></p>
04/21/12	<p>Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Parish Council Meetings</p> <p>The Council agreed to not currently hold the Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Parish Council Meetings.</p>
04/21/13	<p>Remote Meetings</p> <p>The Council agreed to continue holding meetings remotely until clear guidance is available.</p>
04/21/14	<p>Litter Pick</p> <p>The Council noted that residents have been collecting litter on their walks, and there is little current need for an official litter pick, with a view to reviewing in June. Thanks were extended to those who</p>

	have been so community minded.
04/21/15	<p>Matters to be considered for the next meeting`s agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Village Views would like a named individual to liaise with from WAPC. ii. Responsibility for updating the website was raised. iii. Cllr Stringer reported his renovation of the plaques, and intention to get them in the ground before long. iv. Post Covid Village Social Event update. v. Neighbourhood Plan.
	Meeting closed at 8.45pm

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on 10th May, 2021 at 8pm, on Zoom.