



**MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 21st DECEMBER 2022 at 5:00PM**

Present: Cllr J Bell (Chair), Cllr I Urwin, Cllr Mew
18 members of the public

Apologies: Cllr C Tranter, Cllr L Tacey, Cllr S Alexander, Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

1 Chair's welcome and to consider and approve apologies for absence

Cllr Bell welcomed everyone to the meeting, and apologies received from Cllr C Tranter, Cllr L Tacey, and Cllr S Alexander were approved unanimously. Apologies were also noted from the Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer.

Due to the Clerk being absent, notes were taken during the meeting by councillors in attendance (as not best practice to be taken by the Chair) and collated and circulated to all councillors for any comments/corrections.

This Extraordinary Meeting has been called to discuss the three Planning Applications on the Agenda that require the Parish Council to respond to Mid Suffolk District Council Planning Department prior to our January 2023 meeting. You will note there is no Public Participation so it will be the Chair that invites residents to speak.

The Chair was unhappy to read the comments from residents on social media regarding this meeting being held at 5pm, in particular relating to the Six Bells Public House Appeal. It is 4 days before Christmas and Councillors are Volunteers and give up a lot of their time. At nearly every meeting for the past year the Six Bells Public House has either been an Agenda Item, or the Clerk has updated the Parish Council on a report received from the Six Bells Community Group, this would be after the District Councillor & County Councillor had delivered their reports so would be discussed at approximately 7.30pm.

2 To receive Declarations of Interest on agenda items

Cllr Bell declared a non-pecuniary interest against item 4b as the Applicant is a friend.

3 To received Requests for Dispensations on Agenda items

None received.

4 Planning

a) APP/W3520/W/22/3306727 – The Six Bells Inn, High Street, Gislingham, IP23 8JD
Appeal by: Mr A Whatling

Proposal: Full Planning Application - Change of use of the Six Bells Inn Public House to Veterinary Practice and pet supplies (sui generis). Business proposed to exist on the ground floor level whilst retaining the existing first floor ancillary residential accommodation

The Chair of the Six Bells Community Group advised Councillors that they would be submitting their own comments to the Planning Inspectorate which would include the results of their Survey to residents of Gislingham and their Business Plan. The question was asked of the Six Bell's Community Group on the progress on opening a Bank Account and Councillors were advised it was progressing.

DRAFT WORDING FOR PORTAL

The Parish Council wish to advise the Appeals Inspector that Gislingham Parish Council have now been granted an ACV (Asset of Community Value) on the Six Bells Public House. The Parish Council have nothing further to add beyond the statement read out by the Parish Clerk at the Planning Meeting on 23rd March 22 relating to the change of use.

- b) DC/22/05618 – APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION - Householder Application - Construction of sunken outdoor swimming pool. The Old Rectory, Finningham Road, Gislingham, IP23 8JG.**

DRAFT WORDING FOR PORTAL

Councillors have no objection to the construction of a sunken outdoor swimming pool. The Parish Council were advised by the applicant, who attended the meeting, that no external lighting will be installed. Also, the heat pump will have a timber louvred cover.

- c) DC/22/06104 APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION WITHOUT COMPLIANCE OF CONDITION(S)**

Proposal: Application under S73 for Removal or Variation of a Condition following grant of Planning Permission DC/22/03102 dated 02/08/2022 - Erection of single storey rear extension Town and Country Planning Act 1990 - To Vary Condition Number 2. (Approved Plans & Documents) Change of facing material from brick to cladding. Sundale, Finningham Road, Gislingham, IP23 8JG

DRAFT WORDING FOR PORTAL

Councillors have no objection to change of facing material.

ACTION

- **DC/22/05618 and DC/22/06104 - Cllr Bell to ask the Clerk to add comments above to the MSDC Planning Portal**
- **APP/W3520/W/22/3306727 – Cllr Bell to ask the Clerk to submit comment to the Planning Inspectorate upon email approval from all six members of the council, by the 11th January 2023 deadline.**

5 Finance

No invoices received by the RFO (Responsible Finance Officer)

6 Date of next meeting is Monday 16th January 2023 at 7pm in Gislingham Village Hall

Meeting Closed at 5:45pm