

BROME and OAKLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting of Brome and Oakley Parish Council held at 7.30 pm on Monday 11 September 2023 at Brome and Oakley Village Hall.

PRESENT: Councillors Charles Doe, Kelly Keeley, Tom Pace, John Parry, Mark Prior and Ian Stockham. Also in attendance the Clerk and District Councillor Tim Weller and County Councillor Jessica Fleming.

1. Apologies for absence – Apologies were received from Cllrs Broughton (Vice Chairman) and Demanget (Chairperson). As both were absent it was unanimously agreed to appoint Cllr Parry to chair the meeting.

2. Declarations of pecuniary and other interests from members on any item to be discussed and requests for dispensations

Cllrs Pace, Parry and Prior declared an interest in matters relating to the Village Hall.

3. Public Forum

Cllr Fleming had provided a report in advance of the meeting for which she provided a commentary.

Cllr Weller had provided a report in advance of the meeting for which he provided a commentary.

4. Minutes of the last meetings

a. The minutes of the meeting of 10 July and 7 August 2023 were approved and signed by the Chairperson

b. Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting of:

10 July 2023

Item 4b – bank signatories. Cllr Doe confirmed he was not a signatory for electronic banking. It was agreed to appoint Cllr Keeley as an additional electronic signatory.

Cllr Parry asked the District Councillor about the operation of the Brome Recycling Centre and hours of operation and fee charging.

7 August 2023

None.

5. Planning

a. The following planning applications were considered:

Ref	Location	Application
DC/23/04170	The Oaksmere Hotel, Rectory Road, Brome	Erection of a memorial to the B-17 Pathfinder Group
It was noted that the Parish Council were applicant for this application and had previously agreed to support the erection of the memorial.		
DC/23/04039	Amara Tam, 14 The Street, Brome	Removal of existing lean-to roof; Demolition of existing outbuilding; Erection of single storey rear extension; and Erection of new cranked roof over existing and proposed extension. Listed Building Consent
It was unanimously agreed to recommend approval of this application		
DC/23/04038	Amara Tam, 14 The Street, Brome	Erection of single storey rear extension (following removal of existing lean-to roof) and Erection of new cranked roof over existing and proposed extension (following demolition of outbuilding).
It was unanimously agreed to recommend approval of this application		

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b. To following planning determination was noted:

Ref	Location	Application
DC/23/02774	Meadowside, 3 Upper Street	Householder application - Demolition of existing garage and erection of new three bay cart lodge with first floor ancillary accommodation (annexe) (Resubmission of Application DC/22/04559) – Planning Permission Granted.

c. There were no other planning matters.

6. Diss and District Neighbourhood Development Plan

It was noted that the referendum would take place on 28 September 2023.

7. Asset Management

a. Vehicle Activated Sign – Cllrs Doe would be assisted by Cllr Stockham in the operation of the VAS. The VAS would next be situated on the Eye Road.

b. Suffolk Libraries – it was agreed to ask the mobile library to visit on the presumption that it would be able to access the village hall car park. This matter was discussed with Cllr Fleming earlier in the meeting.

8. Finance and Governance

a. The current financial position was noted as £13,766 in the current account, which included the second instalment of precept, and £3,971 in the business saver account.

b. A grant to the B-17 Pathfinder Memorial Group for the production of an information leaflet was considered. It was agreed to make a donation of £200 subject to there being a community/charity account for the money to be received in.

c. It was agreed to make the following payments.

Amount	Payee	Details
£249.46	Mid Suffolk District Council	Uncontested Election Fee
£218.26	Glasdon UK Limited	Dog Waste Bin (near Church Farm)
£303.09	Sarah Foote	Clerk's expenses incl. defib pads and planning application fee
£714.00	D H Electrical	Village Hall Project (CIL) Lighting and heating controls
£468.00	D H Electrical	Village Hall Project (CIL) heating controls, cabling, wiring for boiler and move fire alarm

9. Correspondence

The following items of correspondence were noted:

Date	From	Subject
05.09.2023	Babergh Mid Suffolk Councils	District CIL Bid Round
04.09.2023	Suffolk County Council	Public views sought over improvements to A140
Would like Cycling improvements to be include in traffic improvements.		
01.09.2023	Babergh Mid Suffolk Councils	Town and Parish Update September 2023
01.09.2023	Babergh Mid Suffolk Councils	NSIP and large-scale energy developments update September 2023

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01.09.2023	Barbergh Mid Suffolk Councils	Eye Turbines Section 106 Grants
02.08.2023	Babergh Mid Suffolk Councils	Town and Parish Update August 2023

In relation to the above funding opportunities, Cllr Parry suggest that the Village Hall Committee would like to look at the roofs of the building and instal solar PV with an integrated battery system and electric radiator back ups.

10. Urgent Matters and matters for report – none.
11. Date of next meeting – Monday 9 October 2023.

Meeting closed: 20.29

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