

# Minutes of Kersey Parish Council extraordinary meeting held on Monday 11 October 2021 at Kersey Village Hall at 7pm

**Present:** John Hume (Chair), Penny Calnan, Philippa Harris, Kevin Pratt

**In attendance:** Sarah Partridge (Clerk). A number the public joined during the latter part of the meeting (a Parish Assembly followed the Parish Council meeting.)

**139/21 Apologies** – Apologies were received and accepted from Dave Finch (personal commitments), and Andrew Rogers (work commitments). Rachel Wells sent her apologies.

**140/21 Accept Members' Declarations of Interest** – None received

**141/21 Consider any Dispensation requests for Pecuniary Interests received from Councillors** – None received

## **142/21 Public forum and reports**

a. **Parish Time – Parishioners' opportunity to raise matters and ask questions** - None

## **143/21 Minutes of the previous meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 6 September 2021 were confirmed as being correct and signed.

## **144/21 Planning applications**

### **a) Progress**

**DC/21/05274 Land to The Rear Of 1 - 6 The Street, Kersey, Suffolk**

Discharge of Conditions - Condition 3 (Written Scheme of Investigation) for Suffolk County Council Archaeological Service has approved the written scheme for archaeological trenched evaluation and are happy for work to go ahead.

**DC/21/04590 The Old Vicarage, Church Hill, Kersey, Suffolk IP7 6EG**

Proposal: Application for works to tree in a Conservation Area - Fell 1No Purple Crab Apple (T3), Fell 1No Cypress Tree due to clay shrinkage possible subsidence damage.

Babergh confirmed on 10 September the proposed tree works may be carried out.

**DC/21/03640 Kersey Mill, Hadleigh Road, Kersey, Suffolk IP7 6DP**

Proposal: Planning Application - Construction of workshop building for use in conjunction with Kersey Mill, erection of domestic garage (attached to workshop) and domestic outbuilding.

Babergh granted permission on 30 September 2021.

**DC/21/04515 Ayres End, The Green, Kersey, Suffolk IP7 6EB**

Proposal: Householder Application - Erection of greenhouse.

Babergh granted permission 6 October 2021.

### **b) Planning applications to consider**

**DC/21/04895 Vale House, Vale Lane, Kersey, Suffolk IP7 6EH**

Proposal: Householder Planning Application - Erection of a cartlodge with study, store and an open garage.

The applicant was not present. The Council considered the proposal and agreed by a majority decision to support the application subject to the condition that any use be ancillary to the existing dwelling and that it will not become a separate residential dwelling in the future.

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**145/21 Consider nominating The Bell Inn as an Asset of Community Value (ACV)**

It was agreed The Bell Inn is at the heart of the Kersey community and is a very important community asset, as has been noted in previous Parish Plans and Parish Reviews. The Council agreed that it was important to formally register The Bell as an Asset of Community Value (ACV) so that if it were ever to be sold or significant changes proposed for property it can be protected for the community. By registering it as an ACV this will give the community more time to put together a realistic bid to purchase The Bell. There are organisations and charities who can support communities through the process if it were to become necessary. It was agreed the Parish Council should submit an application to Babergh. Penny Calnan volunteered to work on this.

**146/21 Discuss proposed feedback to Screen Suffolk regarding recent filming in Kersey**

Communication during the recent filming in the centre of Kersey had been poor and the production company had left signs behind. Some residents had not been informed of road closures or the need to move their vehicles and there was no proper alternative parking arranged for residents. It was agreed to provide Screen Suffolk with feedback so if there are future filming opportunities in Kersey they can be better managed, with less disruption to residents. Feedback will include the need for proper communication with residents, all signs to be removed after filming, to avoid filming on a Thursday as this is bin day in Kersey and to co-ordinate with The Bell better so their business is less disrupted.

**147/21 Any other business – Councillors’ opportunity to bring matters to the Council’s attention**

A Parish Councillor has resigned and the Parish Council is waiting for confirmation from Babergh that the position can be filled by co-option. The vacancy will be advertised.

The Parish Council will be setting up a working group to plan and arrange Platinum Jubilee celebrations. John Hume will be organising a meeting soon. It was thought the large VPA marquee would be needed.

The next scheduled Parish Council meeting will be on Monday 15 November 2021 at Kersey Village Hall at 7.30pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.27pm.

There are no documents appended to these minutes.

Signed .....

Date .....