REYDON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES

Date of Meeting 19th January 2017
Present Chair: Cllr Remblance, Cllrs Bailey, Stone, Rumsey, O’Hear, McElarney, Drake,
Mrs Cyprien, Mrs Jordan, Miss Clark, Mrs Hocken & Mrs Humphry

In Attendance Clerk - Jean Brown, C Cllr Ladd, D Cllr Allen, 1 member of the public and 4 representatives from Orbit Homes.

The Chairman invited the ladies from Orbit Homes to give their presentation on the future development in Green Lane before the meeting started.

Orbit have received grant funding to go ahead and will be building 23 units comprised of 1 bed flats, 2 & 3 bed houses and 1 x 4 bed house. They will be a mixture of rented properties and shared ownership. The development’s hedges, paths and road layout were decided with input from SCC Highways, they met with a landscape officer on site for his input too. It was suggested that Orbit continue the footpath in front of the development along to Cox’s Lane for safety reasons. Surveys have been conducted on sewage and surface water drainage, gas, electricity and highways. They have asked Dyna Rod for a survey on any extra need for sewage drains and will forward a copy of this to the Clerk when completed.

The planned criteria for successful applications will be that the applicant should have lived in Reydon for 3 Years and next, work in Reydon or have family living in Reydon. Cllr O’Hear felt that they should include Southwold in this too, as Southwold & Reydon are treated as one unit regarding housing by WDC. There will be a buy back clause in the shared ownership contracts to make sure these homes do not end up as second homes or holiday lets. There should be minimal impact on schools and doctors facilities as this development is fairly small. Orbit have their own estate team to maintain the green space and landscaping for which the tenants will be charged a service fee. Cllr Ladd & Allen intend to write an article for the local magazines etc explain how shared ownership works and how much the homes will cost etc.

The PC would formally like to express their delight at Orbit bringing these homes to Reydon and thank D Cllr Allen for all her work in bringing about the Rural Exception Site. There is to be a Public Meeting/Consultation about this development at Reydon Village Hall from 3.00 – 7.00pm on February 15th.

1 Opening - The meeting was declared open at 7.30pm
PUBLIC FORUM –
C Cllr Ladd – Southwold has been awarded the designation of a Coastal Community Team (CCT) by the Dept for Communities and Local Government. The purpose of this is to bring together a range of business and community representatives to help coordinate projects and activities to improve the economy of the town. There is an initial £10,000 to develop an economic plan, being a CCT also opens up access to external funding other areas cannot bid for. There will be a meeting at Stella Peskett Hall 1st February 4.30pm to hear more about the development of the economic plan, Cllr Jordan is to attend.

Cllr Ladd met with Mr H Rous, Henham Estates, who told him that his business rates will go up by 300% threatening the future of the Latitude Festival. Cllr Ladd will try to help make sure that doesn’t happen.

The changes to the PSPO (dogs on beach) will be discussed at Cabinet next week.

SCC budget – They are honouring the pledge that Council Tax will be frozen for the next financial year, but will be implementing 2% for Social Care possibly rising to 3%.
D Cllr Allen – has been in contact with Hopkins Homes and has been informed that there were 2 constrictions on passing Jubilee Green over to RPC, one of which has been removed the other is to be released by NHS Properties.

The repairs to the street sign in Harrison Green will be underway soon. Cllr Stone confirmed that the concrete pillars have been made safe and the sign removed.

The large pothole in Mount Pleasant has been repaired.

WDC will set the Housing Budget in March.

2 Receipt and Acceptance of Apologies for Absence – None

3 Declarations of Interest in any item on the agenda – None

4 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 15th December 2016

These minutes have been circulated, and it was proposed by Cllr Cyprien, 2nd Cllr Jordan to formally approve them, aif. The minutes were signed by the Chair.

5 Statutory Business – None

6 Clerk’s Report – The Clerk read the Police report from Suffolk Constabulary’s website there were 4 crimes reported in November: 1 x Criminal damage in each of the following roads -The Firs, Covert Road & Queens Road, all these investigations are complete, no suspects identified. 1 x Burglary Wood Lane – under investigation.

PCSO Jamie Newson will be in the Library from 11.00 – 1.00pm on Wednesday 1st February and then every fortnight to speak to members of the public. He again urged everyone to report all crimes as this will help them to plan patrols etc.

The Clerk will be on annual leave for 9 days from 9th June.

7 Business Remaining From Previous Meeting

a) Jubilee Green – NHS Properties have no objection to releasing the constriction but this may take a few weeks. There is £2010.76 in 106 money due to be spent by 29th February, the money can be spent on benches, paths, bins and legal fees for the green. Clerk is to ask Margary Miller for another interim bill before the time limit expires. Cllr Jordan is to get prices for paths.

b) Housing Survey – Thanks to John Skinner for analysing the results which agree with the housing section of the Village Plan questionnaire. These results will be published on the web site. The housing survey group were very pleased with the 597 responses received and the whole Council felt it was well worth doing. The group will hold another meeting in the next couple of weeks.

c) Noise abatement test Village Hall – The Village Hall Committee are still pursuing this, but WDC are not interested in repeating the test, D Cllr Allen will look into this.

d) Speed Gun. There has been no reply from Wrentham PC regarding a contribution towards this which leads RPC to believe they will not be doing so. C Cllr Ladd offered to put in £1,000 for the gun from his locality budget. Cllr Bailey proposed the Clerk orders a new speed gun and signs 2nd Cllr Humphry aif.

e) Parking in Jermyn’s Road. The Clerk was advised that the only way to stop this would be to apply for double yellow lines, which is a very costly and lengthy business as experienced in Nightingale Avenue.

f) Question to Environment Agency re water quality in the Blyth. The Clerk received an email 3rd January to say that they are experiencing a very high number of enquiries and hope to answer by 27th January.

g) Contribution to the Shuttle Bus – STC has not yet provided any accounts The Clerk is to contact STC again, as will D Cllr Allen. D Cllr Allen said that Adnams pay the staffing costs.

h) Any Other matters - None
8 FINANCE
a) Accounts awaiting payment
Clerk’s Salary & expenses (inc printer) December 580.53
A Graham – Litter picking 8th, 15th, 19th & 29 December 72.00
Wicksteed Leisure Ltd Play Equipment Inspection 108.00
Reydon Village Hall – Room hire Oct, Nov & Dec 75.00
Essex & Suffolk Water, Reydon Cnr £27.73, Rec £105.75 133.48
Total 5 £969.01

Cllr O’Hear proposed these accounts are to be paid, 2nd Cllr Bailey aif

b) Receipts – Interest £3.98

c) Bank Balances at 29th December 2016 - Treasurers Acc £600.00 Business Bank Acc £46,061.71

d) Internet banking – Cllr Remblance proposed Cllr Cyprien is to be an additional bank signatory aif

9 Chairman’s Communications - None
10 Questions from Councillors previously submitted – None
11 Reports
a) Councillors Reports –
Cllrs Drake & Rumsey attended the meeting at Wrentham Village Hall last week which turned out to be chiefly concerning alluvial flooding and not flood defences as they, and many of the other 50-60 attendees were expecting.
Cllr Drake would like the Clerk to arrange a visit to Pitches View, following the successful and interesting one to Adnams in December.
Cllr McElarney The Emergency Pan Group’s plan swung into action following the warnings of a tidal surge for last Friday. The Southwold Sports Pavilion on the common opened at 4.00pm as a rest shelter for evacuees. The Group were joined by the Fire Service, a paramedic, Cathy Ryan from Sole Bay Care with a list of vulnerable people in the area, the Harbour Master and his deputy, Cllrs Ladd & Allen. Southwold Co op donated food and drink. The Reydon CEG Team with C Ure & Cllr McElarney were standing by. They all stood down at 01.00 on 14th January and although they fortunately were not needed everything was ready to go. More volunteers are, however, needed including to man the phones.

12 Planning
a) Planning Applications
1 DC/16/5186/FUL Mr Boggis 58 Windsor Road. Construction of a single storey front extension.
2 DC/16/5406/FUL Mr Watson 3 Halesworth Road. Alterations and extensions to bungalow

The planning committee recommended acceptance to the above
Cllr Bailey proposed to accept the planning committee’s decisions, 2nd Cllr Jordan aif.
b) Planning Decisions
1. DC/16/4744/FUL  Mr Kirk 1 Heathlands. Construction of a two storey front extension  
   GRANTED 3 conditions.
2. DC/16/4989/FUL  Ms Abrehart, Benvurie, Mount Pleasant. Replace roof light with dormer  
   GRANTED 2 conditions.
3. DC/16/4694/FUL  Mr Smith, 12 Evans Close. Construction of a single storey replacement  
   conservatory and rendering.  GRANTED 2 conditions.
4. DC/16/4536/FUL  Mr Marshlain, 23 Wangford Road. Construction of a single storey  
   extension to the side of the house.  GRANTED 3 conditions.
5. DC/16/5171/TPO  Mr Baker Land north of 7-10 Heathlands. TPO 368 1 x Pine Crown lift to  
   5m by lifting low branches off the main lateral branches and clean out crown.  GRANTED

13  Any Other Business Duly Specified
Sizewell C Consultation – regarding traffic. Cllr O.Hear - the assertion that the 10 years of  
construction traffic is not sufficient reason to build a 4 village bypass will damage Reydon &  
Southwold’s economies with the ensuing traffic jams putting people off visiting. ANOB’s response  
to the consultation was not treated well and Cllr O’Hear would like to draft a letter to the  
consultation from RPC to express their dismay at the design, the damage to the countryside and  
unanswered for need for bypasses. The consultation is due to end in early February.  C Cllr Ladd  
reported that SCC are putting money aside for a 3 village bypass and hope to get EDF to contribute.  
He also said that the planned work to the junction of A1120 & A12 and park and rides, one in  
Darsham, should help matters.

14  Correspondence – Reply from MP regarding business rate increase as follows: “I am aware of  
this and have written to every business owner on Southwold High Street. I have asked to meet  
Jane Ellison MP, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, to discuss the matter in more detail.”  The  
issue is now in the National news.

15  Close of Meeting - There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.00 pm

Signed………………………………………………….. (Chairman)         Date:  23rd February 2017