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TO:

ALL MEMBERS OF BATTISFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summoned to attend a virtual meeting of Battisford Parish Council to be held on **TUESDAY 19th MAY 2020** at 7.30pm. The invitation to join the Zoom meeting is in the accompanying email.

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Clerk to Battisford Parish Council

	<p>d. To comment on Application DC/20/01666 Proposal: Application for Outline Planning Permission (access to be considered). Demolition of substantial part of existing agricultural building, and erection of new commercial buildings with associated parking and access Location: Manor Farm, Church Road, Battisford, Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 2HE (previously emailed to councillors)</p> <p>e. To comment on APPLICATION - DC/20/01701 Proposal: Application for Outline Planning Permission (access to be considered). Demolition of existing agricultural buildings. Erection of 7no new dwellings in existing farmyard Location: Manor Farm, Church Road, Battisford, Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 2HE (previously emailed to councillors)</p>	<p>PAPER D</p> <p>PAPER E</p>
2020/250	<p>REPORT ON FOOD BANK/ POP UP SHOP</p> <p>a. Update on provision of Battisford food bank/ pop up shop from Cllrs Cleaver and Lambotte.</p>	<p>Cllrs Lambotte & Cleaver</p>
2020/251	<p>CLERKS REPORT</p> <p>a. Grant application sent to Ms Rainbird, and she was invited to attend</p> <p>b. I have assumed that the Fete is cancelled, therefore no insurance need.</p> <p>c. Discuss straw on roads/comments from councillors, as recent emails</p> <p>d. To clarify that the `Thank you` bench offer was sent for information only: no endorsement was implied, the company in any case have reported an overwhelming response and delivery times will be lengthy.</p> <p>e. AGAR - End of Year, compliance, etc. documents to SALC for the internal audit.</p>	
2020/252	<p>CHAIRS ITINERARY and REPORTS (on the night)</p> <p>a. Chairs report</p> <p>b. Councillors reports</p>	
2020/253	<p>FINANCE/ AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENTS</p> <p>a. To approve the itemised expenditure/ invoices for payment and to approve recent invoices for payment (on the night) and authorise signatories to sign the same</p> <p>b. To clarify (missed out at previous meeting)</p> <p>(i) Donation to Barclif Newsletter £100</p> <p>(ii) Donation to Battisford Village hall £150 (Broadband)</p> <p>c. Cashbook, Payments received and bank reconciliation end of year 2019 to 2020</p> <p>d. Discuss replacement cheque for Battisford & District Cricket Club (original has been confirmed by the BDCC as lost, and Barclays have been asked to stop)</p> <p>e. Unity Bank: confirm date of switchover and finalise paperwork.</p>	<p>To follow</p> <p>PAPER F</p> <p>PAPER G</p> <p>PAPER H</p>
2020/254	<p>EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION</p> <p>a. To exchange any relevant information at the discretion of the Chairman</p>	

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At date of this Agenda: Tuesday 23rd June 2020



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MINUTES OF THE BATTISFORD PARISH COUNCIL VIRTUAL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 21st APRIL 2020

This meeting was held by virtue of the Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020

These Regulations came into force 4th April 2020

UK Statutory Instruments 2020 No. 392 PART 2 Regulation 5 (as emailed to all councillors on 6th April 2020)

2020/229	<p><u>CHAIRMANS WELCOME and RECORDING OF MEETING</u> <u>Present at the meeting</u> Cllr N Cleaver (Chairman) Cllr D Wicking (Vice Chairman) Cllr P Lambotte Cllr J Pope Cllr S Zethraeus In attendance: N Glading (Parish clerk), C/Cllr K Oakes, D/Cllr D Pratt</p> <p>It was established that the meeting would not be recorded</p>	
2020/230	<p><u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u> a. There were no apologies for absence</p>	
2020/231	<p><u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u> To receive Members' declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (as defined by the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012) where these Disclosable Pecuniary Interests have not already been entered into the register and relate to a matter to be considered. None</p>	
2020/232	<p><u>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</u> Members of the public may speak about specific items on this agenda Re: Planning application DC/20/01084 The resident making the application had been invited to the meeting but was not in attendance. The clerk read out her email <i>"If I don't (attend) just for your information that next door has just submitted planning permission for their garage roof to be pitched as well. There's will not be quite as high as ours but it will make a nice looking finish. I wanted to highlight this in case you were not aware. Also on the application it stated that the windows and doors would be white but it will be brown to match our existing windows."</i></p>	
2020/233	<p><u>UPDATES FROM COUNTY and DISTRICT COUNCILLORS</u></p> <p>a. Update from County Councillor K. Oakes The County Council has shut down; she is following up queries with Highways and other behind the scenes work. C/Cllr Oakes echoed D/Cllr Pratts comment on the speed of set up, efficiency of the Battisford Food bank/ Pop up Shop.</p> <p>b. Update from District Councillor Dr D. Pratt Decisions are being made under delegated powers, particularly around the S106 conditions re Snoasis project at Blakenham. D/Cllr Pratt expressed his</p>	<p>Appendix 1</p> <p>Appendix 2</p>

	<p>appreciation of the Community Shop. Cllr Cleaver thanked D/Cllr Pratt for his part in the allocation to the pop up shop of MSDC COVID19 funding.</p>	
2020/234	<p><u>MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held 17th March 2020</u></p> <p>a. The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 17th March 2020 as provided by Cllrs Pope and Wicking in the absence of the clerk were AGREED with minor changes and the Chair authorised to sign the amended Minutes</p>	
2020/235	<p><u>MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES of the MEETING 17th MARCH 2020</u></p> <p>a. NOTED: Clerks report</p> <p>b. Update on defibrillators: The defibrillator will be given to the Cricket Club. Cllr Nicholas will notify the Community Heartbeat Trust, clerk to amend the asset register accordingly, and confirm the transfer in writing.</p> <p>c. Update on `Betty Buckle` plaque: discuss display of the plaque at the Church: Deferred</p> <p>d. Layby provision at Cemetery: Deferred</p> <p>e. Update on storage provision at the Village Hall: Deferred</p> <p>f. Purchase of 2 more brackets for the Speed Indicator Device: Deferred</p> <p>g. Drainage Issues on Church Road: reporting to Suffolk County Council Highways: Deferred</p>	Cllr Nicholas clerk
2020/236	<p><u>MATTERS RELATING TO PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR BATTISFORD</u></p> <p>a. NOTED: Letter from Chief Planning Officer BMSDC re coronavirus and continuity of Planning services</p> <p>b. Application DC/20/01084 Proposal: Householder Planning Application- Erection of single storey rear extension; Raise and replace roof to garage and <i>convert garage to additional living accommodation</i> Location: Willowton, 3 Bowl Road, Battisford, Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 2LG It was AGREED that councillors had NO OBJECTIONS</p>	clerk
2020/237	<p><u>REPORT ON FOOD BANK/ POP UP SHOP</u></p> <p>a. Cllrs Cleaver and Lambotte have managed the provision of the Battisford food bank/ pop up shop. The village was leafleted, and vulnerable people identified. Cllr Cleaver applied for and has been successful with grants applications. In summary, grants have been confirmed from Mid Suffolk District Council Covid19 Emergency fund £2,500 Suffolk Community Trust £2,000 Tesco £500 Additionally, £1,500 was agreed by Battisford Parish Council</p> <p>Cllrs Cleaver and Lambotte have been very active, making trips to shops/ wholesalers for shop supplies, managing Bidfest orders and co-ordinating community volunteers. The shop in the Village Hall is open 12pm-2pm two days a week. Strict measures are in place to enforce social distancing; there are circa 30 advance orders to be packed and delivered. To run for 12 weeks from inception. One volunteer has become ill and councillors were asked to help. Cllr Nicholas, Cllr Pope and Cllr Wicking will help with deliveries. Cllr Pope will phone vulnerable people to make sure they are well. Cllr Zethraeus will assist with ringing round vulnerable people and with the grant application form. C/Cllr K Oakes and D/Cllr D Pratt offered help to help as needed.</p> <p>The shop is now self sufficient and meticulous accounts are being kept.</p>	

	All present expressed their appreciation of the efforts, drive and personal commitment shown by Cllrs Cleaver and Lambotte.	
2020/238	<p><u>CLERKS REPORT</u></p> <p>a. No items actioned under delegated powers</p> <p>b. NOTED: Update on The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 (“the 2020 Regulations”) which came into force on 4 April 2020. In summary:</p> <p>(i) The 2020 Regulations permit the holding of remote meetings, with conditions.</p> <p>(ii) Local councils can decide the methods they will use to facilitate the holding of remote meetings.</p> <p>(iii) There is no requirement to hold an annual meeting.</p> <p>c. NOTED: PING Application - outdoor ping pong tables. Phil Lown at Mid Suffolk District Council confirms that the BPC application will go into the next round of bids Councillors to note that clerk was advised that a bid for 2 tables was unlikely to be successful, therefore 1 was applied for. It will be possible to apply for a second table later on. BPC to pay the £350 installation fee.</p> <p>d. Litter pick equipment has been purchased and delivered to Cllr Cleaver. C/Cllr Oakes has agreed to re-imburse this expense.</p>	
2020/239	<p><u>CHAIRS ITINERARY and REPORTS</u> (on the night)</p> <p>a. Chairs report (none)</p> <p>b. Councillors reports (none)</p>	
2020/240	<p><u>FINANCE/ AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENTS</u></p> <p>1 Finance</p> <p>a. The itemised expenditure/ invoices for payment were AGREED and authorise signatories to sign the same (Appendix 3)</p> <p>b. To clarify</p> <p>(i) Donation to Barclif Newsletter £100</p> <p>(ii) Donation request from Battisford Village hall £150 (Broadband)</p> <p>c. The recent invoice for Clerks salary was AGREED payment and authorise signatories to sign the same (on the night)</p> <p>d. NOTED Bank reconciliation</p> <p>e. NOTED Unity Trust Bank- update on new banking provision</p>	Appendix 3
2020/241	<p><u>EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION</u></p> <p>a. To exchange any relevant information at the discretion of the Chairman- none</p>	

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Appendix 1

C/Cllr Oakes Newsletter April 2020



Visit suffolk.gov.uk/coronavirus for health information, schools guidance, business advice and service changes that might affect you.

Keep up to date on the Government's response here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/topical-events/coronavirus-covid-19-uk-government-response>

COVID-19 related news

HOME, BUT NOT ALONE

A new Suffolk-focused community service was set up on 24 March to support people who need help during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Called '**Home, But Not Alone**', the service has been launched to help connect people who want to volunteer in their communities with neighbours who are most in need.

The service will mean willing volunteers, charities, town and parish councils, community and religious groups can all log their details and offers of support on an app, while people who need help can phone to request support.

As the number of offers and requests grows, they will be matched so that the right help can be given where it's most needed. This support could include delivering groceries, medication or essential household goods, in line with Government social distancing guidelines.

Download the free app, called **Tribe Volunteer** from the [Apple App Store](#) and [Google Play Store](#).

The telephone number for those in genuine need of help is freephone **0800 876 6926** and will be staffed from **9am to 5pm**, seven days a week.

The telephone line is not a general information line for COVID-19 queries, but those in need can seek information on support with care needs, loneliness, and connecting with community support.

This is a new service and will adapted to demand over the coming weeks. People are still being urged to check [GOV.UK](#) for the latest guidance on a wide range of issues and changes caused by the COVID-19 outbreak.

Suffolk Highways COVID-19 statement - 26 March 2020

This is a statement from Councillor Andrew Reid, Suffolk County Council Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport and Rural Affairs

Keeping Suffolk's highway network safe and moving is our top priority at this most challenging time.

Suffolk County Council and our contractor, Kier, are working together with our suppliers and sub-contractors as one team to ensure Suffolk's roads can continue to be maintained and accessible; whilst keeping our workforce and members of the public safe from the threat of COVID-19.

Our service is critical to ensuring safe travel for our emergency and health services, and for those carrying out essential tasks. I want to reassure residents that we, as a highways authority, are taking the Government's advice very seriously and working hard to continue delivering our services for you.

To enable us to do this effectively, we must keep our colleagues safe and healthy by ensuring they follow the two-metre social distancing rule, clean down equipment more frequently, and regularly clean hands. These are amongst a range of precautions we are following for the benefit of our staff and the travelling public.

Unfortunately, we have had incidents where our colleagues have had people approach them and not keep a safe two-metre distance. I must ask, that if you spot any of our teams inspecting, or working out on the highway, for your safety and theirs please keep your distance to allow them to do their work safely.

Thank you to the dedicated teams of people who are working around the clock to keep this county moving. What you are doing in these unprecedented times is remarkable. I also thank residents for your patience, it is very much appreciated.

£60,000 for foodbanks across Suffolk

On 25 March, it was announced that food banks across Suffolk will be given a share of £60,000 to keep their supplies well stocked during the Coronavirus pandemic. This money has been donated by Suffolk County Council and will allow the food banks to restock directly with supermarkets and wholesalers.

Paul West, Suffolk County Council Cabinet member for Communities, said:

"It is now more important than ever to look after those most in need in our neighbourhoods.

"This donation is one small part of the extremely valuable work that is being done in our communities with our partners across Suffolk."

Public transport to operate on a reduced scale throughout the county because of the coronavirus pandemic

From 24 March, new timetables are in place for most public transport services, including buses, trains and community transport until further notice.

The changes reflect the fact that less people are using services as they stay at home as part of the new instructions from the Prime Minister on Covid-19. There is also a reduced availability of staff as more have to self-isolate.

Councillor Andrew Reid, Suffolk County Council's Cabinet Member responsible for Highways, Transport and Rural Affairs, said:

"Working in partnership with transport providers, we are doing all that we can to help keep vital services going for those people who must travel - our key workers and elderly and vulnerable residents.

"The changes to timetables aim to balance the reduced levels of passenger usage as people follow the new instructions to stay at home with the need to reduce the number of people required to run transport services.

"These changes will also help ensure there are enough members of staff to keep vital services running over the coming weeks and months. We will continue to monitor the situation with our partners."

Suffolk County Council is advising those who must use public transport to check with their local provider to find out the latest timetable. Further details can be found at www.suffolkonboard.com or by calling **0345 606 6171**.

All Suffolk recycling centres close until further notice due to coronavirus

On 23 March, Suffolk recycling centres closed until further notice.

The safety of customers and staff is very important. Therefore, in accordance with current government coronavirus guidelines of avoiding non-essential contact and preventing a risk of infection to others, the sites will close. It is essential that we do all we can to slow down the spread of the virus.

Much of the waste that goes through the Recycling Centres is bulky waste (large items such as furniture, wood and metals) and garden waste. People should hold onto these items until the sites reopen. Do not put any electrical items in any of your bins at home.

Where possible people should compost grass cuttings and hedge trimmings and if you can't do that, keep your garden waste until the sites reopen. You can find more information on [how to compost at home](#).

Please do not leave any waste outside the Recycling Centres – staff should concentrate on delivering waste services. Leaving waste outside the centres is classed as fly tipping and is a criminal offence for which people will be prosecuted.

FCC Environment staff, who operate the Recycling Centres on behalf of Suffolk County Council, may be redeployed to assist other areas of waste services across Suffolk if needed during the COVID-19 pandemic.

For further information you can visit the [Suffolk Recycling website](#).

Joint statement on COVID-19 from Suffolk County Council's political group leaders – 22 March 2020

This is a joint statement made by Cllr Matthew Hicks, Leader of Suffolk County Council, Cllr Sarah Adams, Leader of the Labour Group and Cllr Penny Otton, Leader of the Liberal Democrat, Green and Independent Group.

Today we cast aside our political differences and unite around the work needed to protect Suffolk from the coronavirus pandemic that is threatening our families, communities, health and social care services, businesses and way of life.

There can be no doubt, the impact of COVID-19 will be felt in all areas of Suffolk, from our urban neighbourhoods to our rural hamlets. It will be felt by our toddlers and children, some of whom will miss their schools, playgroups and nurseries. It will push to the limit our businesses, who may struggle to maintain daily operations or have had to close. It will be very real for our elderly and vulnerable residents, for whom self-isolation and social distancing will be necessities, but also a significant worry.

It will change lives. It will demand that each one of us lives very differently for a relatively short while if we are to stand any chance of beating this virus. This means we must all be selfless and do the right thing for society, even if it negatively impacts on us. We must all follow official advice, not leave it to others. We must think about others, not ourselves. This calls for decisive action, from all walks of life. We are already seeing Suffolk communities come together with kindness and innovation to support each other.

We recognise that people are worried and anxious about what may happen in the future – we feel the same. Many of us have parents who we want to protect, or children, whose own fears we try to address with honesty and empathy. It is an unprecedented and extraordinary time.

As elected county councillors, we see first-hand the efforts being made by our own dedicated and brilliant staff and those working in district and borough councils, police, the voluntary and business sector, and the NHS, to ensure that we continue to deliver vital services. We are all working hard together, making sure that our most vulnerable residents, young or old, are given the help they need when they need it.

Our response is defined by kindness and resilience. Whether this response will take weeks or months, we are driven by compassion, determination and versatility to do the very best for the people of Suffolk.

Suffolk County Council is at the forefront of the fight against COVID-19. This is a major incident that requires the very best joint working. For our part however, today we are setting out our core actions for the people of Suffolk, many of which we have already done. We are working in a rapidly changing situation and these actions will be continuously reviewed and updated, reflecting Government advice.

- Protect our most vulnerable residents with easy access to advice, the right practical support and provision of essential public services.
- Provide more financial stability and certainty for care providers and support them to respond with maximum flexibility, including smooth transitions between hospitals and home care.
- Make changes so that elderly and disabled residents can use their concessionary bus passes for essential journeys earlier in the day.
- Work with our schools to implement the Government's school closure arrangements, including free school meals, support for vulnerable children and children of key workers.
- Communicate with everyone in Suffolk with timely, clear and relevant information in a wide range of ways.
- Redeploying Suffolk County Council staff into frontline social care roles
- Keep Suffolk's highways moving so that the emergency services can respond, and essential travel can continue.
- Ensure Suffolk Fire and Rescue has the resources to respond when lives are at risk.
- Work with district and borough councils and the Chamber of Commerce in Suffolk to support local businesses and the self-employed with advice and guidance.
- Start work now on plans to help Suffolk's communities and economy recover from COVID-19.

Our response to COVID-19 is the number one priority for Suffolk County Council. We face no greater challenge. Whilst we may not always be able to do as much as we want, we assure you that we are mobilising every resource and asset we have to protect and support our people and our county. Our great communities, businesses, schools and our public services and health colleagues are united in this fight to save lives, protect those most vulnerable and support our communities.

Thank you for the sacrifices you are making to help us to do what's right for Suffolk.

Suffolk Resilience Forum declares COVID-19 major incident in county

On 20 March, the evolving COVID-19 situation led to a major incident being declared in Suffolk.

Partners in the Suffolk Resilience Forum, including councils, health bodies and emergency services, have already been joining forces to respond to COVID-19, but the decision taken on Friday 20 March formalises joint-working and resource-sharing arrangements.

It means public organisations will work even closer than usual to tackle the challenges presented by COVID-19, including joint decision making, information-sharing, and on-the-ground support for Suffolk residents.

A major incident is called when the situation is believed to be beyond 'business-as-usual' operations and when there is the heightened risk of serious harm, damage, disruption or threat to human life or welfare.

Suffolk Police will now chair the Resilience Forum's Strategic Coordination Group, taking over from Suffolk County Council's public health team.

Stuart Keeble, Suffolk's Director of Public Health, said:

"Public bodies have well-established close working arrangements that prepare us for this kind of situation. This decision simply formalises those arrangements and makes sure we're making decisions together in a fully coordinated way.

"This is about making sure we use the resources and people available to us to tackle COVID-19 effectively. The best advice we can give people is to continue to follow all the official guidance to slow the spread of COVID-19, protect vulnerable people and protect the NHS."

Suffolk school closures

Suffolk County Council is working with partners across the sector to coordinate a response to the government's announcement on Wednesday 18 March 2020 to close schools for the majority of pupils while remaining open for vulnerable children and those whose parents are key workers. [The current definition of a key worker can be found on GOV.UK.](#)

The government has advised that parents should keep their children at home and schools should remain open only for those children who absolutely need to attend.

Even if you are classed as a key worker, if you are in a position to keep your child at home then SCC would ask that you do so. This will enable schools to free up their resources and provides them with the opportunity to focus on the key children who need their help.

The fewer children making the journey to school, and the fewer children in educational settings, the lower the risk that the virus can spread and infect vulnerable individuals in wider society. Schools that are able to open should continue to follow Public Health England Advice with regards to cleanliness and infection control.

SCC have launched a helpline for parents which will assist them if their usual school is not open or has been unable to make alternate arrangements for pupils. If parents are classed as a key worker or have a child that is classed as vulnerable, they can call this line and SCC will liaise with schools to find them a place. The helpline number is: 01473 263985

You can [find more information on school closures](#) on suffolk.gov.uk.

There is also [guidance for parents on GOV.UK](#).

Elderly and disabled residents can use their concessionary bus passes earlier during coronavirus outbreak

As of 19 March, Suffolk County Council is allowing concessionary travel for those with elderly and disabled bus passes before 9.30am, as the coronavirus epidemic continues.

The Council, working alongside its partners and bus companies, has revealed that it is extending its concessionary travel for those with elderly and disabled bus passes, as supermarkets make special arrangements for exclusive early morning shopping times for these people. This move has been introduced in response to panic buying in the shops which saw shelves emptied.

Previously, concessionary travel did not kick in until 9:30, after the morning rush-hour, but in response to coronavirus the local authority is allowing those who have the passes to travel earlier so they can get to the shops to buy food.

Changes to care services for customers

On 18 March it was announced that, in light of the current Covid-19 crisis, customers are likely to experience changes to the care they receive. Customers will receive a phone call or a visit from their current care provider or Suffolk County Council's Home First team when their services are affected.

The county council's adult care team are closely monitoring the safety and wellbeing of all their service users and supporting their most vulnerable customers, who remain a priority. Those currently receiving care and support will start to see a difference in their service in the coming weeks, or it may be that their care is provided by a different provider.

The council is working across the health and social care system to ensure the safety and wellbeing of everyone in Suffolk and will continue to keep customers updated of any changes as they arise.

Councillor Rebecca Hopfensperger, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care, said:

"We understand that this is a very worrying and difficult time for many of our customers receiving care services. "I want to reassure people that although they may start to see changes to their care, we are prioritising their safety, health and wellbeing. It may be that people are not be able to attend day care activities or that their care provider changes, but we will be doing what is necessary to keep them healthy, safe and well.

"I'd like to say thank you to everyone we are supporting and working with for their resilience and understanding during these unprecedented times.

Cancellation of Suffolk Walking Festival 2020

Due to the current COVID-19 pandemic, Suffolk County Council and its partners have made the difficult decision to cancel Suffolk's 13th Walking Festival.

The festival was due to launch at Clare County Park on Saturday 9 May, and was offering three-weeks of engaging and entertaining walks and events to get people out and about enjoying Suffolk's beautiful countryside.

Councillor Andrew Reid, Suffolk County Council's Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport and Rural Affairs, said:

"Due to the changing situation regarding COVID-19 and Central Government advice surrounding events, we have today sadly decided that we have no alternative but to cancel this year's Walking Festival. "Ensuring and protecting the wellness of our team and members of the public is of paramount importance.

If you have booked a place on a festival walk, the organisers of the Walking Festival will be in contact with you regarding your refund. For further formation visit www.suffolkwalkingfestival.co.uk.

Other news

Joint Statement on behalf of Suffolk County Council and East Suffolk Council in reaction to EDF Energy's decision to delay their Sizewell C application for a Development Consent Order – 26 March 2020

In a joint statement, Leader of Suffolk County Council, Cllr Matthew Hicks, and Leader of East Suffolk Council, Cllr Steve Gallant, said: "Both Suffolk County Council and East Suffolk Council absolutely agree that this is the right decision for EDF Energy to take at this moment in time. We believe there is no other choice for them to take during such a difficult time for us all as we focus on fighting the effect of Covid-19 across Suffolk.

"Given the critical need for our communities to have the ability to fully engage with the consultation and decision making process that forms a valuable part of the Government's formal Development Consent Order, we are relieved to hear EDF Energy has given due consideration to the timescales for making their submission and will delay for a number of weeks. We are now keen to understand what this means as we all currently expect to be living with the effects and restrictions

surrounding Covid-19 for some time to come and we would not be happy to see anything done that restricts the community in taking an active part in the decision making process.

"We are keen to keep talking to EDF Energy about when it will be appropriate for all parties to see EDF Energy make their submission."

Suffolk County Council bids for better bus services

On 17 March, Suffolk County Council, as the Highways Authority, submitted a statement of intent to the Department of Transport for funds to improve some bus services.

The Department of Transport (DfT) has invited English local transport authorities outside of London to submit a bid for the 'Better Deal for Buses - Supported Bus Services' for a share of the £30 million fund to provide more frequent local bus services.

Suffolk has submitted a statement of intent for the full value of the county's allocated share of £580,715 from the DfT. The funding must be used to increase bus mileage and passengers within Suffolk. The funding is a one-off payment that needs to be used to deliver longer-term sustainable benefits.

The DfT plans to announce which statements of intent have been successful by the end of April. The county council will then carry out further work with local bus operators to finalise which routes would benefit from the funding. Implementation will then proceed with the view of services commencing late summer 2020.

Suffolk County Council is also working to identify further opportunities in the county to bid for funding from the Government's 'Better Deal for Buses' initiatives, with deadlines for expressions of interest to be provided by the end of April.

Funding of £220 million for local transport was announced in early September by the Prime Minister Boris Johnson alongside the promise of a new national bus strategy.

Suffolk wins funding for the next stage of A12 improvements

On 13 March, it was announced that Suffolk has secured £830,000 of funding from the Department for Transport, to develop an Outline Business Case to take forward its plans to improve the A12.

Announced during the Government's budget, Suffolk County Council has been successful in winning £830,000 of funding from the Department for Transport (DfT), to develop an Outline Business Case (OBC) to take forward its plans to improve the A12 East of Ipswich.

This project is specifically looking to increase capacity and improve overall traffic flow at junctions and will explore the potential for a new pedestrian and cycle bridge over the A12.

With the funding secure, Suffolk County Council's Transport Strategy Team will now begin work to develop the outline business case which, following public consultation, will be used to make a further bid to central government for funding to deliver the scheme.

It was also announced in the budget that the DfT have given their approval for Suffolk County Council to develop and submit a Strategic Outline Business Case (SOBC) for a project to dual the A12 between the Seckford and Dobbies roundabouts near Woodbridge. Whilst this does not include any funding at this stage, the SOBC will enable SCC to bid for future funding for this project too.

Speaking about the award of funding, Councillor Matthew Hicks, Leader of Suffolk County Council, said:

"I am delighted that once again Suffolk County Council has been successful in bidding for funding from central government for large infrastructure projects. These improvements are between the A14 Seven Hills junction and the A12/A1214 Park and Ride Roundabout and will help boost road capacity and traffic flow. I am also pleased that the scheme includes additional proposals to help encourage more walking and cycling.

“We have also been successful in gaining DfT approval to start development of a Strategic Outline Business Case to dual the A12 at Woodbridge between the Seckford Roundabout and the Dobbies Roundabout, and associated improvements at those junctions. This project is at a very early stage, but gaining DfT approval means we can begin moving forwards with this important scheme for all users of the A12.

“I would like to thank all our MPs who have worked so hard lobbying government to help us secure this funding and promote Suffolk at Westminster. This proves once again that by all working together, we can achieve more for Suffolk.”

Planning for the OBC will start this year and likely be complete in 2021.

Parents can now opt-in for Suffolk County Council funded school travel for 2020/2021

The process to opt-in for Suffolk County Council funded school travel for the 2020/2021 school year has opened. If parents have a child who is already receiving Suffolk County Council funded school travel, they must opt-in by the 31 May 2020 to continue to receive it. Families of children starting secondary school in September 2020 will receive an e-mail if they are eligible for Suffolk County Council funded school travel.

If parents have a child starting primary school in September 2020, they should not opt-in until they receive the offer of a school place (15 April 2020). If they are eligible for Suffolk County Council funded school travel they will be contacted by 15 May.

Parents whose child is not eligible for SCC funded school travel but who wish to purchase a spare seat, may do so. The application for spare seats opens on 1 July 2020.

To opt-in or for more information on the Suffolk County Council school travel policy please visit www.suffolkonboard.com/schooltravel

97% of pupils receive a place at one of their preferred Secondary Schools on National Offer Day

97% of pupils have received a place at one of their Preferred Secondary Schools in Suffolk on National Offer Day.

This year, Suffolk County Council (SCC) received 8047 applications from parents indicating at which secondary school they would prefer their child to be educated from September 2020. 7355 pupils received offers for their first preference school and 7810 pupils received an offer for one of their three preferred schools.

Councillor Mary Evans, Cabinet Member for Children’s Services, Education and Skills, said:

“I am pleased that this year more families have once again received their first choice of school and that the vast majority of families have been offered a preferred school place.

“We use published criteria to decide who has priority for places so that the process is fair and clear. I appreciate that not all families will have received a place at their preferred school and where a parents’ preference for a Suffolk school is refused, we will automatically add their child’s name to the waiting list for that school. We will also send them information about how to lodge an appeal should they wish to do so.

“Starting secondary school is an important moment for any child, and the more we can do to make the transition to a new school smoother for them, the better.”

Councils urge Government to change approach to offshore windfarms

Suffolk County Council and East Suffolk Council are continuing to lobby the Government for improved coordination of offshore windfarm projects.

If there is no coordination of these projects, Suffolk’s natural environment and the people that work and live in the county are likely to suffer.

On 2 March 2020, councillors and officials met with the Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (BEIS) to express their concerns. The meeting was followed up with a letter to the new Secretary of State for BEIS, Rt Hon Alok Sharma MP.

Council officials are asking the Government to:

- Co-ordinate a new approach to how offshore windfarms connect to the electricity grid, and make the policy changes needed to make this happen.
- Provide more effective and inclusive engagement with all parties for future energy projects.
- Provide guidance on benefits and compensation to local communities, and clarity on the economic benefits of energy projects.
- Continue their commitment to support communities directly affected by these large projects.

For their part, the councils will identify issues which may stand in the way of these projects and resolve them where possible. They will also make arrangements to involve the National Grid, Government and relevant parties in discussions.

Councillor Matthew Hicks, Leader of Suffolk County Council, said:

“I am concerned that our coastal communities and countryside will suffer irreversible damage if all these energy projects are considered separately, rather than together.”

“It is essential that the Government commits to a clear and coordinated approach for all the projects seeking electricity grid connections along our coastline. Suffolk County Council is fully prepared to work with the Government and all those involved to make this happen.

“We all share the vision of being net zero by 2050 and understand the long-term benefits that these projects can bring. However, we must do all we can to avoid them having a harmful impact on Suffolk’s residents and natural environment.”

This recent meeting with BEIS was held just days before the Government’s Planning Inspectorate confirmed the timetables for both ScottishPower Renewables EA1 North and EA2 windfarm projects. The Examinations for both these projects are due to begin on 24 March 2020 and last for up to six months.

Whilst the Planning Inspectorate’s Examining Authority will follow their usual process for these projects, it is interesting to note that they have sought clarification on the other similar energy projects, in particular, projects seeking grid connections in East Suffolk, as well as the Sizewell C Nuclear development.

Access for all at Suffolk rail stations

Following successful bids for funding, Needham Market and Bury St Edmunds rail stations will now receive improved access to platforms for its passengers.

A partnership of stakeholders including Greater Anglia Trains, Suffolk County Council, Mid Suffolk District Council and the Needham Market Group has secured Access for All funding – a government funding programme for schemes to improve station access.

For Needham Market, the station will receive an upgrade to improve access to the Ipswich-bound platform 2.

At the Bury St Edmunds station, the funding will provide a new accessible entrance on the north side of the station, linking the new car park with the station concourse.

Plans for improvements to the Bury station have received support from Greater Anglia Trains, Suffolk County Council, West Suffolk Council, Bury St Edmunds Town Trust and other local organisations.

Following the funding announcement, all parties involved are now committed to making the initiatives happen as soon as possible.

Councillor Alexander Nicoll, Deputy Cabinet Member for Transport at Suffolk County Council, said:

“We are delighted to have secured this funding. Both schemes are essential in ensuring that everyone can access the train.

“This work will play an important role in supporting the planned growth for the towns, as well as enabling people to travel to them.

“With climate change being at the front of everyone’s agenda, it is vital that we provide the facilities that enable people to travel without using their car.”

Appendix 2

D/Cllr D Pratt Newsletter April 2020

Public Realm

In March I met with the Head of Public Realm to discuss opportunities for restorative planting on council-owned land at Castle Lane and St Mary’s Close in Offton. At Castle Lane, we discussed a low-level tree planting scheme to maintain access to the waste treatment facility and deter fly-tipping on the Channel verge. For the land north of St Mary’s, a range of options were proposed including a reduced mowing regime and planting of fruit trees. Unfortunately, the Covid-19 outbreak means that Public Realm team have been reassigned and consultation with Offton and Willisham Parish Council and residents will be postponed until further notice.

Ringshall Community Orchard

In February, a team based in Ringshall planted 15 fruit trees including apple, pear, plum and cherry to establish an orchard free for the community to use. A special thanks to the village hall committee, children from Ringshall Primary School and volunteers who helped. Trees were sourced from the orchard heritage project ‘Orchards East’.

Neighbourhood Plans

Outline planning application for 35 new homes in Elmsett (Babergh DC) were refused after the planning committee decided it conflicted with the village’s Neighbourhood Plan. This demonstrates how NP’s can carry weight against proposals that are detrimental to the landscape of the village.

Bonfires

MSDC have received a surge in bonfire complaints. With many people in lockdown and self-isolation, smoke from bonfires is likely to cause more annoyance or even breathing difficulties for those with respiratory issues. The District Council advises against lighting bonfires. If it is necessary to have a bonfire, please notify your neighbours to enable them to get their washing off the line and close their windows.

COVID-19 MSDC response

Some district council-run services have been delayed or postponed, including the brown bin collection service. Covid-19 has affected us all in many ways and to this end the council can offer the following support: Grants are available to help small businesses and those in the retail, leisure or hospitality sectors: <https://www.babergh.gov.uk/news/payment-of-covid-19-business-grants-fund/>. The ‘Home – but not alone’ scheme has been set up to offer support and practical help during the Covid-19 crisis. Residents can contact the helpline on 0800 876 6926. A Covid-19 emergency fund is now available to help community groups: <https://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/news/emergency-funding-pot-available-to-help-local-community-groups/>

Email: daniel.pratt@midsuffolk.gov.uk

Telephone: 07775389193

Appendix 3

Battisford Parish Council Invoices Payable April 2020

Payee	Description	Amount payable	VAT
N Glading	Salary March 2020	£322.14	
N Glading	Office expenses Jan Feb March	Postage £8.80 Office clerks allowance Jan Feb March £54 Total £ 62.80	
Re-imburse N Glading	Solo press leaflets for COVID19 information	£33.75	
Re-imburse N Cleaver	Card reader for shop	£21.29	3.55
Re-imburse N Cleaver	Banana Print leaflets	£38.06	
J Firman	Second invoice for work at cemetery	£396.00	£66.00
(on night) N Glading	Salary April 2020	£322.14	

Philip Isbell – Chief Planning Officer
Sustainable Communities

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PLANNING PERMISSION

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990
THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND)
ORDER 2015

Correspondence Address:

Mr D Whatling
Burnt House Lane
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IP14 2LT

Applicant:

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Suffolk
IP14 2LT

Date Application Received: 07-Jan-20

Application Reference: DC/20/00050

Date Registered: 06-Mar-20

Proposal & Location of Development:

Full Planning Application - Engineering works to increase size of pond (retention of)

Bevants Farm Barn, Burnt House Lane, Battisford, Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 2NE

Section A – Plans & Documents:

This decision refers to drawing no./entitled received 05/03/2020 as the defined red line plan with the site shown edged red. Any other drawing showing land edged red whether as part of another document or as a separate plan/drawing has not been accepted or treated as the defined application site for the purposes of this decision.

The plans and documents recorded below are those upon which this decision has been reached:

Photograph - Received 07/01/2020
Defined Red Line Plan - Received 05/03/2020

Section B:

Mid Suffolk District Council as Local Planning Authority, hereby give notice that **PLANNING PERMISSION HAS BEEN GRANTED** in accordance with the application particulars and plans listed in section A subject to the following conditions:

1. ACTION REQUIRED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A SPECIFIC TIMETABLE:
BIODIVERSITY ENHANCEMENT SCHEME



Ms Nicola Glading
Battisford Parish Clerk
6 Albert Rolph Drive
Lakenheath
BRANDON
IP27 9DA

Please ask for : Alex Breadman

Direct line : 01449 724547

Our reference : DC/20/01564

E-mail : planningblue@baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk

20th April 2020

Dear Ms Nicola Glading

APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION - DC/20/01564

Proposal: Householder application - Erection of pitched roof over existing garage.

Location: 4 Bowl Road, Battisford, Stowmarket, Suffolk IP14 2LG

We invite your comments on the application described above by **11th May 2020**. Full details of this application are available to view online by visiting <http://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/planning/development-management/application-search-and-comment/search-for-applications/>. Please submit your response using our online comments facility. Should you specifically wish to 'support' or 'object' to this application please state this in your response.

Please note that beyond the above date we cannot guarantee that your comments will be taken into account in the determination of this application. Should you wish to extend this deadline please call the Officer named above as soon as possible to establish whether the time period for your response can be extended.

Yours sincerely

Philip Isbell
Chief Planning Officer – Sustainable Communities



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PAPER D

Ms Nicola Glading
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Please ask for	: Alex Scott
Direct line	: 07860 826982
Our reference	: DC/20/01666
E-mail	: planningblue@baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk

29th April 2020

Dear Ms Nicola Glading

APPLICATION FOR OUTLINE PLANNING PERMISSION - DC/20/01666

Proposal: Application for Outline Planning Permission (access to be considered). Demolition of substantial part of existing agricultural building, and erection of new commercial buildings with associated parking and access

Location: Manor Farm, Church Road, Battisford, Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 2HE

We invite your comments on the application described above by **20th May 2020**. Full details of this application are available to view online by visiting <http://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/planning/development-management/application-search-and-comment/search-for-applications/>. Please submit your response using our online comments facility. Should you specifically wish to 'support' or 'object' to this application please state this in your response.

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Direct line : 07860 826982

Our reference : DC/20/01701

E-mail : planningblue@baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk

30th April 2020

Dear Ms Nicola Glading

APPLICATION FOR OUTLINE PLANNING PERMISSION - DC/20/01701

Proposal: Application for Outline Planning Permission (access to be considered). Demolition of existing agricultural buildings. Erection of 7no new dwellings in existing farmyard

Location: Manor Farm, Church Road, Battisford, Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 2HE

We invite your comments on the application described above by **21st May 2020**. Full details of this application are available to view online by visiting <http://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/planning/development-management/application-search-and-comment/search-for-applications/>. Please submit your response using our online comments facility. Should you specifically wish to 'support' or 'object' to this application please state this in your response.

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Chief Planning Officer – Sustainable Communities



**Battisford Parish Council
Bank Reconciliation**

Cash sheet balances:	£17,148.83
Total Receipts	£16,698.35
Total Payments	£16,680.86
	£17,166.32
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Community current account balance @ 14th April 2020	£17,166.32
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Business savings account opening balance	£2,364.93
Interest	£1.18
Interest Sept 2019	£1.18
Interest Dec 2019	£1.18
Interest March 2020	£0.83
	£2,369.30
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Business savings account balance @ 14th April 2020	£2,369.30
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BATTISFORD PARISH COUNCIL
 2019-2020 ACCOUNTS - Receipts

Receipts Date	Ref	From	Details	Amount	Precept	C/Tax Support Grant	Grants & Donations	Bank Interest	VAT	Burial Plot etc Fees	Other
28/03/2019		Deposit at B3 Huntingdon		280.50							280.50
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04/09/2019	DEP	43 Mildenhall	Burial	66.00						66.00	
09/09/2019	DEP	MSDC	Precept	5,362.50	5,362.50						
14/10/2019		Sccapors	Grant scc	2,255.60			2,255.60				
18/11/2019		MSDC	Locality grant	1,000.00			1,000.00				
02/04/2020	GIRO	Suffolk Community credit	Grant for shop/food bank	2,000.00			2,000.00				
			TOTALS	16,698.35	10,725.00	0.00	5,255.60	0.00	0.00	437.25	280.50

Payments	Date	Ref	Cheq No	Pages	Payment Details	VAT to be reclaimed	Amount	SM clerk Salary	NG clerk Salary	B/MTC	Payroll Services	Office consum	Councillors Mktg	Hire Of Hall	Pension	Website	Training	Cemetery Inc: Grass/ Hedge/ tree Cutting	Memberships/ Subscriptions	Insurance	Audit & Bank charges	Play area and field Maintenance/ Lease	Donations/Grants	Water Rates	other	Street Lighting	Contingencies (election etc)	Annual assembly		
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BATTISFORD PARISH COUNCIL GRANT AWARDING POLICY

Battisford Parish Council has statutory powers to make funds available to local organisations for the overall benefit of Battisford and its residents. Grants are made from the money provided by the council taxpayers of Battisford parish and accordingly the Parish Council has a responsibility to satisfy itself that any benefit is commensurate with, or in proportion to the expenditure likely to be incurred

This document outlines Battisford Parish Council's guidelines for awarding. It also formalises the application process to ensure access, openness and fairness to the groups and organisations we aim to support. We will ensure that our grant awarding activity is fair and transparent.

General information for applicants

It is Battisford Parish Council's intention (subject to budget restrictions and available resources) to support initiatives from local community groups and organisations. Priority will be given to applicants who have not previously received grants. Grants are made at the discretion of Battisford Parish Council and are normally limited to £250, unless there are exceptional circumstances.

Who is eligible to apply

The following organisations may apply:

- A Battisford based charity
- An organisation serving the needs of the residents of Battisford
- Resident(s) of Battisford requesting grant aid with a project/event, which will be for the benefit of the local community
- A Battisford based club/association/charity serving a specific section of the community or the community as a whole
- A local branch of a regional or national organisation/group which serves the needs of the residents of Battisford.

Who is not eligible to apply

We will not consider applications from:

- Projects which are the prime statutory responsibility of other government bodies who would normally be funded by a local or regional authority.
- Projects which improve or benefit privately owned land or property.
- Support for individuals or private business projects.
- Applications by "for profit" commercial organisations.
- From regional and national organisations unless it can be clearly demonstrated that the grant would be used specifically for the residents served by Battisford Parish Council.
- From organisations with political affiliations or those established for the purpose of forwarding a party-political agenda.

What can be funded

The project should be something that makes the local community a better place to live, work and play. It should be something that will provide a long lasting and sustainable benefit to our local area.

The project must be something that will improve the social, environmental and /or economic profile of Battisford. Priority will be given to those applications which add value over applications for running costs.

The following are unlikely to be considered as a grant priority

Projects where there is a large shortfall in the funding required to complete the project or projects that simply replace existing facilities with no significant improvement.

Conditions of grant

Battisford Parish Council support must be acknowledged as appropriate on all publicity and promotional material including posters, advertisements, press releases and leaflets.

Financial support can be only be used for the purpose for which the grant is given.

Grants must not be distributed to any other organisation.

Applications should be submitted in writing to:

The clerk, Battisford Parish Council

e-mail: clerk@battisfordpc.org.uk

Phone: 07388 408115

Decisions will be based on the following criteria:

- General eligibility
- Impact on key local need
- Community support
- Value for money
- Environmental impact
- Community involvement
- Feasibility
- Likely effectiveness

Adopted at the Battisford Parish Council meeting October 2019

Next review October 2020

Dear Nicola,

It was nice to talk to you today.

As discussed there are two sets of forms attached and these need to be signed in accordance to your bank mandate held with your old bank and the signatories that sign the form must also be signatories on the new account held with us.

Please note that we can only transfer current accounts and not savings. If there is more than one account the forms will need to be filled in separately for each account that you wish to switch.

Please do call me on the number below if you wish to discuss it in more detail and when we get the signed forms back I will also call you to arrange a switch date.

Many thanks.

Kind regards

Lee Timmis
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Unity Trust Bank plc

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