

Minutes of Elmsett Parish Council additional meeting held on 28 March, 2024 at The Methodist Church Hall.

- 03.24a.00 **PRESENT:** Alan Newman in the chair Nick Bird, John Sones, Fiona Watt, Andrew Woodgate, Fran Williams, the clerk, and 1 member of the public was present.
- 03.24a.01 **APOLOGIES:** Paul Firman, Leigh Jamieson District Councillor.
- 03.24a.02 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS:** Alan Newman declared an interest and signed the Interest Book under planning Appeal Reference: APP/D3505/W/23/3334415 Appeal AP/23/00108 – Mill Farm, Elmsett.
- 03.24a.03 **CLOSURE OF SHOP:** Fiona reported that following the public meeting held on Saturday afternoon where there was an overwhelming interest with over 80 in attendance a working party had been formed. With over 30 showing an interest in actively supporting a community shop. A number of funding avenues are being explored. She said that the group was very enthusiastic and keen to get something up and running as soon as possible. She was hoping to get a questionnaire out to all residents seeking their views.
- 03.24a.04 **RECESS FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS:** The condition of the roads was again the main topic. Road closures, potholes, verges being eroded and poor signage for diversionary routes. The chairman confirmed that the parish council together with Aldham PC were in dialogue with the County Highways and that Cllr Paul West, Cabinet Member for Ipswich, Operational Highways and Flooding has agreed to attend the Annual Parish Meeting to be held at the Village Hall on 9 April. John Sones asked whether the proposed road closure on Whatfield Road by Anglian Water could be an opportunity for Highways to repair the potholes.
- 03.24a.05 **PLANNING:** DC/24/01206 – erection of single storey side extension 2 Manor Road, Elmsett – The council did not wish to restrict the grant of permission.

Appeal Reference: APP/D3505/W/23/3334415 Appeal AP/23/00108 by Mr & Mrs Wilson & Gillies - Erection of 4No. bungalows, three with integral garaging and cartlodge to Plot 4, and new vehicular access (re-submission of withdrawn application DC/22/01564) - Mill Farm, Hadleigh Road, Elmsett. Having signed the Interest Book the chairman left the room and Nick Bird took the chair. Fiona Watt proposed that the Parish Council should appoint planning consultant Places4People to respond on its behalf to defend the Neighbourhood Plan process. This was seconded by Andrew Woodgate and unanimously agreed. Clerk to instruct Places4People in this respect. The Chairman returned.

03.24a.6 **FINANCE:** Members of the council agreed the invoice for Neighbourhood Plan. Other accounts due and cheques signed were:

A Newman	1058	Salary & Backpay to Apr 23	488.30	LGA 1972
SALC	1060	Payroll services to 31-3-24	22.80	LGA 1972
HMRC	1061	Emp Tax	350.80	LGA 1972
Alan Newman Rmbt	1062	Zoom renewal	155.58	LGA 1972
Places4People	1063	Fees for N Plan review	7674.00	NP
Alan Newman Rmbt	1064	GDPR/NP Expenses	138.44	

03.24a.7 **DATES FOR NEXT MEETINGS:.** 9 April and APM at the Village Hall, 4 June, 23 July, 10 September, 22 October, 10 December, 21 January, 2025.

The meeting closed.

Signed:-..... Dated:-.....
Chairman