Wednesday 7th February 2024 – Public Meeting commenced at 7.30pm at Old Newton Village Hall

<u>Present:</u> Cllrs J Miller - Chair, M Helliwell, M Clements, A Tween, K Goudy, S Graells, K Hall-Price (Clerk & RFO) District Cllr J Pearson, County Cllr A Stringer – arrived 19.56hrs, 4 members of the public.

Macaulay Anniss, Dan Smith, Dilek Aslan, Martin Turner, Padraic O'Curraoin - Keepmoat Representatives

- 1. Welcome and to Receive and accept any apologies for absence. Chair welcomed everyone to the February monthly meeting. Cllr K Baker submitted her apologies for absence at the January meeting. Cllr Hardman has submitted her apologies for absence this evening. Both Cllrs apologies were accepted. District Cllr R Eburne has also sent her apologies.
- **Co-option Update** The Cllr vacancy has been included in the February edition of the Crier. Clerk has not had any interest in the position and will continue to advertise until a candidate is found. Stephen Hammond Proposed by Cllr Goudy, seconded by Cllr Tween Chair asked Mr Hammond to give a small introduction before a vote was taken. Lives now in Old Newton and is keen to be here. Unanimously approved and Mr Hammond was invited to join the meeting.
- 3. To receive any declarations of personal/prejudicial interest & to note dispensations.
 - To consider any requests for dispensations No new requests received. No existing requests to be recorded.
- 4. To approve the minutes of the meetings held on 3rd January 2024 Agreed as true and accurate record. Minutes Proposed by Cllr Tween and seconded by Cllr Clements All in favour.
- **KeepMoat Development** Church Road (Brought forward with Cllrs permission from Agenda item 12 as 5 x Representatives from Keepmoat in attendance).
 - Macaulay Anniss Technical Manager
 - Dan Smith Land & Partnerships
 - Dilek Aslan Technical Coordinator
 - Martin Turner Site Manager
 - Padraic O'Curraoin Groundworks

<u>Keep Moat – Church Road Development -</u> Reference number FS-Case-573962864. Clerk has reported the noncompliance of condition 4 of their written liaison management plan. Condition 4 was to create a forum for regular discussion to be held with the parish council on not less than once per month. The application was submitted in August 2023 and approved in October 2023. We are now into the new year of 2024 and these properties are well underway and being built and yet the Parish Council have still not had any communication from the developer. This development has been contentious, and the Parish Council wish to work with the developer to encourage and foster a good relationship between the Developer, the Parish Council and the community.

The Chairman had brainstormed some but not exhaustive issues that the Parish Council have had to date being as detailed below:

- Footpath issues / closure around the site
- Working hrs on site not being followed
- Village Hall Car parking issues / HGV in village car park
- Inconvenience to residents.
- Road Cleaning issues
- Protection of conservation area / biodiversity
- Abusive staff / contractors towards residents
- Road Closure
- Lack of communication

There has not been an effective communication scheme in place and this has caused significant animosity between Cllrs, parishioners and the builders and contractors on site. The Parish Council have on several occasions had to raise our concerns via enforcement complaints with BMSDC. Cllrs accept this is not the way forward and would hope for at least one more face to face meeting within the next 4 weeks but then would be open to Teams/ online meetings thereafter if appropriate.

Macaulay Anniss – Technical Manager apologised, explained that there have been a number of staff changeovers and although not an excuse but is a reason. Everyone agreed that communication moving forward is key. An agenda moving forward for future meetings to be liaised via Dilek and the Clerk.

The upcoming road closure will be notified once approval has been given from Highways in order that the closure can be issued via the village Facebook page and website. There will be limited access between certain times and therefore dates to minimise disruption such as during the half term week would be helpful. Half term is 19th - 23rd February.

Residents were in attendance and wished to discuss the proposed high fencing concerns at the back of their garden and flooding issues, the Clerk to provide Keepmoat with the contact details for the residents so communication could be dealt with directly. Keepmoat to investigate in the meantime. Specifics for the agenda at the next meeting. All liaison to be done between the Clerk and Keepmoat.

Cllr Tween mentioned the Village Hall car parking issues and Cllr Clements was concerned that communication details for Keepmoat's Office manager should also be made available.

Members of the public were invited to ask any questions –

• Conservation area was raised as an issue Keepmoat explained the District level licence expires in April and is being renewed with Natural England. Fencing around the conservation area is in place in line with this approved licence. Any concerns to be raised as they happen and as far as Keepmoat are aware any previously reported incidents have now been rectified.

Keepmoat confirmed that at the end of March an invitation for Cllrs to view the marketing suite will be issued. The road facing houses are hoped to be available as soon as possible - Completion date to be provided when available.

In conclusion another meeting to be scheduled within the next 4 weeks – Thursday evenings for a 5.30pm start is preferable for Cllrs and Keepmoat representatives. Chair and Clerk thanked Keepmoat representatives for attending and the move forward is welcomed. All correspondence to be collated via the Clerk.

6. Clerks report following previous meeting (to be received as read – Cllr questions)

- The village website has been updated to include all minutes and information approved. Clerk has received a request via the community council whether we could include an area for the Crier to be uploaded onto. The clerk is happy to assist but would not be able to upload content each month, but understands there is someone in the village that will take ownership of this. A QR code will need to be created as was done for the footpaths link. Clerk happy to help set this up.
- Request from Parishioner to identify on the footpaths map where the dog bins are located. Can this easily be done assuming an additional cost for the amendments but only for the online map maybe? Clerk has asked for confirmation of the 12 bin collections from MSDC that the Clerk will include on the Facebook page and website initially. Cllr Helliwell / Hardman for advice on the map and costs involved if included on the digital map. Agenda item for inclusion on the next re-print.
- Cleansing Grant for qtr 3 ending December 2023 has been submitted for £203.19 and once received funds to be paid to ONEG. Qtr 4 to be submitted as normal but moving into the new financial year Clerk has received correspondence stating that the cleansing grant will be paid twice yearly moving forward rather than qtly.
- Cllr Hardman and Cllr Helliwell have completed a risk assessment for changing the SID battery. This is now filed with the other Risk Assessments and will be reviewed annually moving forward as part of the Finance Review meeting that usually takes place in November of each year.

Neighbouring Parish Liaison Meeting

The neighbouring parish liaison meeting took place on 23rd January at Haughley Pavillion. Representatives were in attendance from Bacton, Haughley, Old Newton, Wetherden and Woolpit. Apologies received from Elmswell. The main issues for consideration as a group were discussed being:- Traffic – A14 remedial works / SID, Planning, Neighbourhood Plans, Footpaths and bridle paths and their interconnectivity between neighbouring parishes, Green corridors within and between parishes, environment and biodiversity.

The main outcome that came from this meeting was the agreement to submit a collective response to object to the call for sites consultation. Old Newton Clerk agreed to collate responses and submit. There was a very long and personalised response from Wetherden that was too late for approval by all other Councils so the Clerk requested they submit their comments independently but would still include them within the collective response.

Collective response issued was:

Please find below the response for the call for sites. This is a collective response to the Babergh and Mid Suffolk Call for Sites 2024 from the parishes of Old Newton with Dagworth & Gipping, Haughley, Stowupland, Bacton, Wetherden and Woolpit.

The villages that lie along the A14 corridor from Junction 47 to Junction 51 have, over recent years, been subjected to substantial development to the point of almost obliterating the rural nature of our villages and reducing them to mere dormitories for a commuting population. We do not feel, therefore, that it is appropriate or necessary to canvass to volunteer further sites within our parishes. We believe that our infrastructure is already overstretched and do not feel it is responsible or desirable to expand further. The existing developments need to be bedded-in within the communities before pushing for further development and Mid Suffolk should now be looking elsewhere in the county for their call for sites. Councillors firmly believe that our area of Mid Suffolk is struggling due to the lack of regular public transport services, doctors and dental surgeries, and schools that are becoming so full that students have to be transported out of their immediate area on a daily basis. All of the above are strong reasons why any further planning/development should be avoided at all costs, until such time as sufficient enhancements have been made to our local infrastructures. All our Parish Councillors believe our villages have been more that generous in accepting so much housing development, but feel that this is not the time to even consider further development and any development in Parishes should be considered in accordance with their Neighbourhood Plans if applicable.

Submitted by Karen Hall-Price – Parish Clerk for Old Newton with Dagworth & Gipping
With authority and permission on behalf of Old Newton with Dagworth & Gipping Parish Council, Haughley
Parish Council, Stowupland Parish Council, Bacton Parish Council, Wetherden Parish Council and Woolpit
Parish Council

The next meeting has been scheduled for $Tuesday\ 14^{th}\ May$ – Old Newton have agreed to host this meeting, Clerk to arrange use of the hall and provide refreshments.

<u>Police Report</u> – (Crime map stats are always going to be circa 6 weeks out of date).

- October 1x vehicle crime on or near Silver Street, 1 x violence / sexual offence on or near Greenacres
- November 1 x Burglary on or near Silver Street
- December 2 x violence / sexual offences on or near Finningham Road

Suffolk Constabulary is supporting Sexual Abuse & Sexual Violence Awareness Week. The national campaign runs from today, Monday 5 February, to Sunday 11 February and aims to encourage conversations about sexual abuse for victims and survivors, their families and friends, and highlight the range of support available across the county.



7. Financial matters & Financial report.

- January bank statement has been forwarded to Cllrs on the finance committee and our internal control Cllr.
- Precept has been submitted and acknowledged by BMSDC for Old Newton with Dagworth. £29,666.59 paid in 2 equal instalments in April and September This shows on their tax base calculator as an increase of 6.20%. Clerk has chased confirmation for the element for Gipping The difference should make up the difference to the requested total amount of £31,511.52. Further confirmation has now been received an error on BMSDC part and we have been confirmed as full amount paid in 2 equal instalments in April and September This shows on their tax base calculator as a total increase of 6.20%.

Bank Account Balances:

- Barclays Statement Balance = £26,410.78 (30.01.24)
- Scottish Widows 60 Day account balance = £3,410.71 (31.12.23)
- Scottish Widows Deposit account = £255.92 (31.12.23)
- Public Works Loan Balance outstanding = £7,666.93 (06.04.2023)

Accounts for payment in arrears – January 2024:

EXPENDITURE		oundary 2024.	NET	VAT	TOTAL
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	DDR				
Karen Price	Bacs	Salary January £1,254.15	£1,327.45		£1,327.45
		holiday pay £151.38, less tax £71.40, less			
		NI £35.75,			
		less pension £56.23 plus expenses £85.30			
HMRC PAYE	Bacs	Employee Tax £71.40, Employee NI	£196.51		£196.51
		£35.75 Employer NI £89.36			
Nest Pension	DDR	Employee £56.23, Employer £42.17	£98.40		£98.40
Ian Hammond	Bacs	Cemetery general maintenance	£135.00		£135.00
		2hrs December			
		7hrs January = 9hrs total			
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Paul Green PRG	Bacs	Cemetery shed remedials £4,400 quote	£3,080.00		£3,080.00
Property		less asbestos removal paid direct £1,320			,
Maintenance		•			
Suffolk Asbestos	Bacs	Cemetery shed remedials removal of	£1,100.00	£220.00	£1,320.00
Solutions		cement soffit, guttering and down pipe			,
ONEG/Onwoods	Bacs	Cleansing Grant Qtr 3 (to be paid once	£203.19		£203.19
		Grant funds have been received)			
RECEIPTS	Payslip				
		No receipts received in January			

Proposed by Cllr Helliwell and seconded by Cllr Goudy - All Cllrs agreed. Clerk to put the January payments through this evening and Cllr Miller to approve on 8^{th} February 2024.

8. Correspondence Received / Circulars

- District Cllr Pearson Footpath to the school. District Cllrs have established that the need for a path is not included in the Local Cycling and Walking infrastructure plan but that it could be added. Is this something that the Parish Council would like to take forward? If so, I have been asked whether we are envisaging a path alongside Church Road (which would likely need to utilise the verge?), or an off-road/away from road solution via public rights of way? Cllr Helliwell encourage to put in the mix, Priority for the village, aware of the problem and its every year. He public footpath could potentially be a safe route to school and compulsory purchase.
- BMSDC For information the cleansing Grant Scheme to be processed half yearly not qtly for the next financial year.
- Following Cllr Goudy's enquiry regarding SCC paying for staff to be in attendance with no customers at Westhorpe Hall Care facility. Confirmation received that Westhorpe Hall no longer have a contract in place with SCC, the last customer moved from the facility in October 2022.
- Invitation to attend CAB Cost of Living Forum 16th February 10am on Zoom.
- BMSDC Correspondence indicating that the costs of dog bins and waste bins will increase for the next financial year. We paid £796.74 last year and the increased price estimated for 24/25 is £995.88.

9. District Councillor's Report (to be received as read – Cllr questions).

MSDC Plan - At the Council meeting last week, the priorities for Mid Suffolk District Council were agreed. There was extensive consultation to ensure a wide range of views were taken into account. The core of the plan is putting environmental and social responsibilities at the heart of everything we do, "helping to create thriving and resilient communities in Mid Suffolk". This encompasses:

- Housing and infrastructure
- Resilience
- Community wellbeing; and
- Environmental sustainability.

A key principle is to work collaboratively with communities.

MSDC 2024/25 Budget - At Mid Suffolk's Cabinet meeting today, the draft budget for 2024/25 was discussed. This includes a 2% council tax increase to ensure financial stability for day to day services in the wake of shrinking government grants.

A financial reserve has been built up over the last eight years and this will be spent on areas to benefit Mid Suffolk residents including:

- Bringing disused land back into use for amenity or other uses
- Land for biodiversity and to meet Biodiversity Net Gain
- Stowmarket town centre regeneration
- New foot/cycle paths to improve connectivity

In the housing budget, in order to be able to fund improvements to the Council's housing stock, it is proposed that rents increase by 7.7% (in line with the Government formula – CPI+1%). Many tenants receive housing benefit or universal credit and due to recent increases in the rent portion of this, the majority of tenants will not see an increase in rent.

Gateway 14 - The proposed Green Skills and Innovation Centre business plan was approved by Council subject to funding from Freeport East.

Flooding - The Council agreed a motion to support communities on flooding and to help with emergency plans. In Debenham a community meeting was held, organised by an MSDC Councillor, attended by the Environment Agency, Suffolk County Council and Mid Suffolk District Council amongst others. From this, various initiatives are now underway.

Local issues - National government is introducing a requirement for nationally standardised recycling and refuse collection. This will include kerbside collection of glass bottles and jars. Although not required to be implemented until March 2026, kerbside collection could have an impact on the income earned by the village hall from the bottle banks. We are therefore raising this now in case there is a wish to consider advanced planning.

Locality Award - A reminder that this year's locality awards are still open for applications. Any group or organisation can apply for amounts of £250 or more. Please contact one of us for an application form. Applications need to be submitted this month.

10. County Councillor's Report – (to be received as read – Cllr questions)

Council Budget for 2024-25 - At Scrutiny Committee on 11 January, we got our first look at the proposed budget for the financial year 2024-25. The council has projected increased spend for areas such as social care and SEND which are statutory services – this means that the council is required to spend this money by law. As a result, important areas in the budget that can be cut have been, which will lead to cuts in Housing Related Support for those at risk of homelessness, support for people with learning disabilities and autism, and to the Skills team, who support young people not in education, employment or training (NEET). The budget also includes a proposed 100% cut to core funding for museums and arts organisations from April 2025, with the funding for 2024-25 coming from government Covid monies to provide a transition period. My group opposes the arts cuts and the other savings, which will hit the most vulnerable in our county. The budget proposals will be voted on during the Full Council meeting on Thursday 15 February.

Autism Strategy for Suffolk - At the Suffolk Health and Wellbeing Board on 18 January, the first draft of a Suffolk autism strategy was discussed, which will increase awareness and support for autistic people and make sure local services are accessible and meeting their needs. The plans include supporting autistic people to look for work and those who are considering self-employment, tackling health and care inequalities, improving access to education and transition into higher education. The strategy was commissioned by Suffolk County Council and local NHS providers and has been developed in co-production with Suffolk people with autism to reflect their views and experiences.

Sizewell C Construction Begins - Construction begins this month of the controversial new power station at Sizewell, a project that is forecast to take 17 years to complete. This will have a massive impact on local communities, the coastal environment and transport routes in the county. Suffolk County Council has secured £250m in mitigation monies for Suffolk communities, but this will still create a lot of upheaval in the county and the council has a role to play in making sure Sizewell C make every effort to minimise its impact and listens to the concerns of residents and local businesses.

New Funding to Combat Serious Violence - Suffolk's Safer Stronger Communities Board has announced a fund of £150,000 from the Home Office to support Suffolk's Serious Violence Strategy. Organisations can bid for funding for specific projects which support the work of Suffolk's Serious Violence Strategy, with allocation of funding managed through Suffolk Community Foundation.

The Serious Violence Strategy focuses on young people and communities at risk of becoming involved in serious violence, and the funding for projects is available to charities, voluntary sector organizations, social enterprises, parish councils, educational settings and other public bodies from April 2024. Applications are invited for grants between £4,000 and £15,000 and organisations can apply by visiting:

https://www.suffolkcf.org.uk/grants/seriousviolencedutyfund/

'Good Journey' Scheme for Visitor Attractions - Visitor attractions in Suffolk are invited to sign up for a new scheme promoting car-free days out in the county. Suffolk Growth Partnership and Suffolk County Council have teamed up with national organisation 'Good Journey' to create the scheme, which launches in March. Around 25 local tourism and visitor attractions are invited to join the Suffolk Good Journey scheme offering residents and visitors discounts and incentives to leave the car at home and explore more of the county on foot, by bike or using public transport. Participating attractions will be supported and will feature on goodjourney.org.uk which provides travel information and discounts to domestic and international visitors and there will a marketing campaign to promote it. Visitor attractions and venues interested in joining Suffolk Good Journey can find out more details by contacting Loretta Jones at Good Journey on loretta@goodjourney.org.uk or info@suffolkgrowth.co.uk

Blue Badge Team - Change of Telephone Number - As a direct result of customer feedback, the Blue Badge phone number will be changing, and there will now be a dedicated phone line for Blue Badge customers. From 31 January the Blue Badge team will be answering enquires on 03456 066 077, this number will be visible online across the SCC Website, InfoLink and any future published materials. This is a change from the current telephone number, which is 0808 800 4005. For more information about how you can apply for a blue badge or assist someone to make an application, please visit https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/parking/blue-badge-scheme

DEFRA's Property Flood Resilience Grant - Those whose homes or businesses were flooded by Storm Babet and have not yet applied for the initial £500 flood recovery grant payment should do so as soon as possible as this is the first step in applying for the further £5,000 for flood protection from the government's Property Flood Resilience (PFR) Grant. The application process for the latter will begin in early 2024 and after initial eligibility checks by SCC, property owners will be responsible for sourcing an independent surveyor and PFR contractor. Payment of up to £5,000 including VAT will be paid retrospectively to the property owner once the Council receives proof of the completed installation and invoicing for the approved measures.

Further information about the grant eligibility, conditions and the forthcoming application process can be found here: https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/property-flood-resilience-grant

For more information about the flood investigations which are due to take place in the wake of Storm Babet, please see https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/flooding-and-drainage/storm-babet

11. Planning Applications

• DC/24/00086 - Application under Section 73 of The Town and Country Planning Act 1990 - Variation of Condition 2 (Approved Plans and Documents) of planning permission DC/23/03329 dated: 22/09/2023 - Erection of single storey lean-to rear extension and single storey front extension with new canopied porch; Erection of outbuilding for use as therapy room at 6 Falconer Avenue Old Newton Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 4JP. Deadline for comments was 30th January – Extension requested - Accepted.

Cllrs were aware that a complaint from a neighbour regarding boundary and light issues had been raised. Cllrs believe this could be relating to the positioning of the outbuilding as the plans did not appear clear as to what the changes are. There was some discussion regarding the proximity to the neighbours boundary fence and water catchment / drainage issues from the new design of the roof but Cllrs could not see how the proposed application will impact on any blocking of light.

The previous application was missing the dimensions of the out-building. There are no changes to the main house proposal. Cllrs approved this application when it was previously presented and although the design of the roof appears different on the outbuilding, Cllrs couldn't see how much of a detrimental impact the changes will have.

Cllrs could not see any additional information that would change their original response so it was proposed and seconded with all Cllrs in favour to approve this variation to condition – Application approved at Parish Council level.

12. Planning Decisions

- DC/23/05053 Proposal & Location of Development: Full Planning Application Change of use of the existing annexe to a residential dwelling along with the subdivision of the plot. Annexe At, 3 Sandford Road, Old Newton, Suffolk. *Planning Permission has been refused by BMSDC*.
- DC/23/05634 Proposal & Location of Development: Householder Application Erection of a single storey front extension. Sunblest House, Station Road, Old Newton, Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 4HQ. *Planning Permission has been granted by BMSDC*.
- **DC/19/02878 & DC/22/01159** 64 dwellings (including up to 22 affordable dwellings) approved plans on land off Church Road, Old Newton *Application has been withdrawn*.

13. Cemetery

- Shed update & completion of works The cemetery shed remedials have now been completed and Paul The contractor has confirmed that he will return to touch up some of the paintwork when the weather warms a little. The paint went on in extreme cold conditions and wasn't finished to his complete satisfaction so he has assured me he will return in a few weeks. Both invoices for the asbestos skip and removal and Paul Greens works are submitted for payment at the February meeting.
- Trees / Fallen branches Resident approached to offer to tidy up any of the fallen trees around the cemetery. Already done some with agreement from Mr Wrinch. Agreed on a volunteer basis. Cllr Tween to assist. All Cllrs present were in agreement. Cllr Tween to inform the Clerk if a contract tree surgeon is required.
- Old Cemetery management of brambles and overgrowth Ian our Cemetery Caretaker has stated that he is not in a position to assist with the clearing of the overgrown areas of the old cemetery we have previously assisted the church with. He does not have the correct tools to manage the overgrowth and feels the work is too much for him now. Clerk asked permission to go to tender to find an alternative contractor that may be able to assist on an annual or twice-yearly basis to continue to assist the church with the onerous task. Clerk to get quotes for both 1 annual cut and twice annual basis and report back to the next meeting.

Ian will also try and make good the area by the gate where the skip and tyre marks have churned up some of the grass from the recent shed remedial works undertaken.

- 14. Allotments Committee Update regarding updated tenancy agreement / Management contract with ONGAA / Parish Council Regarding the renewal of the lease on the Scarff land A meeting took place on 4th January with the Landowners (Scarff Family) and the Clerk. The Renewal contract has been issued in draft form to the ONGAA secretary and the Allotment committee / Landowners for comment. The update on the land share agreement includes the annual bonfire 3.3 b) and the sale of excess produce for ONGAA funds 3.3 a). Approved, Clerk will issue the new Lease agreement but suggests an Allotment Committee meeting be arranged to then discuss the management document renewal between the Parish Council and ONGAA.
- 15. SID Unit Cllrs Helliwell / Tween. Cllr Tween recommends that the device as it is 6-7 years old needs to be re-calibrated and serviced at a cost of circa £100 plus any remedial works required. Recommended for 2 x new batteries. Earmark £500 to service and get it up and running Proposed Cllr |Clements, seconded by Cllr Graells and all Cllrs in favour. Cllr Tween to go ahead and organise the collection and service of our existing SID unit. Cllr Tween did also enquire regarding solar powered, but this would have to be on a new one Circa £3k with solar panel an additional £650. Agreed to look at when and if CIL monies and grant funding is available in the new financial year.
- **16. Flood Water Markers (For temporary use when needed)** Agreed that these were expensive and we could make some ourselves. Cllrs Clements and Tween to work together.

17. Cllrs matters to be bought to the council.

- Cllr Graells received an email from Cllr Miller requesting vouchers to be purchased. This was a scam / phishing email. Cllr Miller confirmed that he would never ask anyone to do this on his behalf and we have had similar in the past. Please ignore any such requests.
- New footpath map is now ready for installation. Cllr Miller to confirm with the Village Hall Committee and arrange for installation accordingly.
- Emails for Cllrs Helliwell, Clements and Graells Issues with accessing emails. Clerk to address!

- Leak on the road opposite the allotments is still gushing but confirmed that this is coming off the fields and not an actual leak.
- Footpath markers are reported as being down. Some have already been reported but Cllrs Tween and Graells to confirm with the Clerk to ensure they are all reported on the SCC reporting tool.
- Community litter pick is confirmed as being held on the 16th March.
- Cllr Tween offered an official warm welcome to our new Cllr Stephen Hammond. Also promoting the Pub night in the village hall whereby dominoes, darts, cards and the Umber Doucy Brewery will be running the bar. D Day 80 tickets will also soon be going on sale in March for 8th June.
- **18. Public Forum** Nothing.
- 19. Additional Matters for inclusion on the agenda for the March 2024 meeting.
 - Allotments
 - SID unit Cllr Tween / Cllr Helliwell
 - Cemetery
- 20. Date of the next meeting Wednesday 6th March 2024.

Meeting closed at 21.46 hrs.