

BRANDESTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of Brandeston Parish Council held on **Monday 8th January 2024 at 7.30pm** at Brandeston Village Hall.

Members of the public were invited to contribute and offer opinions on agenda items limited to 3 minutes during the Public Forum.

1/23-24/1 – The Vice Chair welcomed all to the meeting, 30 members of the public were in attendance.

1/23-24/2 - Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Summers

1/23-24/3 – There were no declarations of interest.

1/23-24/4 - The Minutes of the Meetings held on 11th and 14th December 2023 were agreed as a true record and signed by Cllr Baker.

1/23-24/5 - Public Forum

- Comments were duly noted by Cllrs.
- Several members of the public spoke to express their opposition to the application, DC/23/4753/FUL for Change of Use from Public House (Sui Generis) to 1no. Dwelling of The Queen. There were no statements in support of the application.
- A member of the public confirmed that the recent storms have again caused flooding to properties in the Northern extremity of Mutton Lane.

1/23-24/6 - Councillor Reports

- Cllr Bryce submitted a written report.

1/23-24/7 - Risk Assessment Update

- Cllr Randell confirmed that the Village Hall survey and assessment had now been completed

1/23-24/8 - Finance update

- Cllr Baker confirmed that the balance for Brandeston Parish Council Account as at 30th December 2023 stood at £14,029.94.
- In addition the Parish Council 100+ Account had a balance of £2,539.67.

1/23-24/9 - Precept

- Cllr baker confirmed required precept of £6,250.

1/23-24/10 - Planning.

- The Application DC/23/4753/FUL, in respect of the Change of Use from Public House (sui generis) to 1no. Dwelling. - The Queen, The Street, Brandeston, was debated by Cllrs.
- A statement from the Chair, Cllr Summers, was read advising that the Parish Council proposed to object to the application and her views were fully reported.

- Cllr Baker requested a show of hands in favour of an objection and this was unanimous.
- It was accordingly resolved that a formal objection would be made to East Suffolk Council and in addition specialist reports would be commissioned to support the objection.
- It was further resolved that the Enforcement Officer at the District Council should be urged to recommence enforcement action for illegal occupation of the Ground Floor of the Public House.

1/23-24/11 – Consideration was given to the further relocation of the SID and costs thereof.

Date of next PC Meeting, Monday 12th February at 7.30pm, Brandeston Village Hall.