MINUTES OF SEETHING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT SEETHING AND MUNDHAM VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 24TH JUNE 2025

Present: Dr Hudspith (Chairman), Mr Garnham (Vice-Chairman), Mr Stockdale, Mr Steward and Mrs

Key.

In Attendance: Mrs Andrews (Clerk)

1. Apologies for absence:

Mr Parsley and Mr Cowan sent their apologies.

2. Declarations of interest:

Dr Hudspith declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 5.1 on the agenda regarding planning application number 2025/1629 as the land belonging to the applicant adjoins his field.

3. Minutes of meeting 28th May 2025:

The minutes had been circulated prior to the meeting and other than a typographical error which was corrected, were agreed to be a true record of the meeting.

4. Matters arising from meeting 28th May 2025:

4.1 East Pye

The second consultation period is now open until 6th August. There will be another information evening held at the Village Hall on 17th July. Councillors will attend and read the documents on the East Pye website prior to the next meeting which will be held in time for a response to be agreed to the consultation.

5. Planning:

5.1 New and amended planning applications

2025/1629 – Proposed approval of matters reserved following outline application 2024/0843 for appearance, landscaping and layout at land north of Attmore House, The Loke, Seething Street.

This application was received between meetings and Councillors comments were as follows:

Although Seething Parish Council are supportive of a residential development on the land north of Attmore House, we object to this application on the grounds of its scale, materials, and design: it must be noted that the footprint of the proposed bungalow is more than double the area of that shown on the outline plans (2024/0843) approved October 2024, and as proposed would adversely impact the roadside view and neighbouring properties. Any development on the site needs to be proportionate to the size of the plot and sympathetic to the appearance of the centre of Seething village.

6. Highways:

6.1 Village signs

Mr Garnham has spoken again to Gary Overland and asked for like for like replacements of the faded and damaged village signs.

Mr Steward advised that the public footpath sign off Biggotts Lane is broken. He will report it to Highways.

The bridge at Seething Ling has recently been rebuilt but it has been done poorly and looks ugly compared to what was there before. Mr Steward will compose a suitable complaint to Highways.

6.2 Footpath on School Road

Mr Stockdale has reported the footpath on School Road which needs clearing and siding out.

7. Public Spaces:

7.1 School pond

Dr Hudspith liaised with Mrs Mackenzie, Headteacher at the school regarding the pond. The School boundary shown on the deeds shows to run half way across the pond. She is making enquries with Norfolk County Council.

8. Parish Council administration:

8.1 Annual audit

The Clerk reported that the internal audit has been completed by Laura Cowan and there were no issues highlighted.

The Clerk read out the accounting statement which was agreed by all Councillors. The Clerk and Chairman signed the AGAR form accordingly and the Clerk will submit it to the external auditors. The Clerk has advertised the electors rights on the website and the noticeboard.

9. Correspondence:

The Clerk has received notification that the Parish Partnership Scheme has opened again and closes on 1st December. Councillors will consider possible projects to apply for.

10. Items for agenda of next meeting

East Pye Solar proposal Village signs School pond Parish Partnership Scheme

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.20pm