

**HARGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the meeting of Hargrave Parish Council held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2023 at 7.30pm in Hargrave Village Hall.**

**Councillors present: Cllr Painter (Chair), Cllr De Laat, Cansdale, O'Donnell and Painter.**

**Also present: Antonia King (clerk) and one member of the public (the applicant).**

- 1. Chair welcome and opening statement** – Chair opened the meeting at 7.30pm
- 2. Apologies and approval of absences** – Cllr Williams and Pratt-Adams submitted their apologies which were accepted.
- 3. Declaration of Interests and requests for dispensations** – there were no declarations of interest or requests for dispensations.
- 4. Public forum** – none present.
- 5. Items to consider:**
  - a) Planning application - DC/23/1488/CLE - Proposal: Application for lawful development certificate for existing use or development - use of Swallow Barn as separate residential dwelling (class C3)**  
Location: **Swallow Barn Birds End Hargrave Suffolk IP29 5HD**

No concerns were raised and the council supported the application.

- b) To consider and discuss the annual playground inspection (previously circulated) and agree any work due on risks that require attention** – Whilst the majority of the report showed that the play area is low risk and the council did not feel it required attention, it was agreed that the following did:  
Picnic bench – the inspection highlighted that the wood had started to rot, with some parts needing replacing. It was agreed that to future proof the bench it should be replaced with a recycled plastic bench that would require little attention and last for many years. The clerk is to look into costs and report back at the next meeting.  
Exposed drain cover – highlighted as a trip hazard, it was agreed that the clerk is to contact McGregors to establish if they would be able to reinstate the eroded soil to level the ground again.  
Algae and fungal growth requires cleaning from equipment. The clerk is to contact Cleaneze to establish if they could carry out the clean. The quote will be considered at the next meeting.

- 6. To receive any items of correspondence not previously circulated** – none received.
- 7. Items for discussion at the next meeting** – Email from Highways regarding the speed survey.
- 8. Date of Next Meeting: 7.30pm, Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2023, Hargrave Village Hall.**
- 9. Close of meeting 19.52pm.**

**Signed .....** (Chair)

**Dated .....**

*To be signed by the Chair at the meeting held on 01.11.2023  
Hargrave Parish Council.*