Dalham Parish Council News



Next Meeting

Wednesday 18th November 2020 via Zoom starting at 7pm.

The meeting will begin with an Open Forum. This is a chance to meet parish councillors and talk about any items on the agenda. Everyone is welcome.

Minutes of the meeting can be viewed on the Parish Council's website at

www.dalham.onesuffolk. <u>net</u>

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Alternatively leave a letter addressed to Dalham Parish Council in the Village Hall letter box

Parish Council meetings

Due to the Coronavirus pandemic Government advice has been to avoid face-toface meetings where possible, therefore parish council meetings have taken place via Zoom. Residents are very welcome to join meetings. Login details are published on the agenda which is uploaded onto Dalham Parish Council's website at <u>www.dalham.onesuffolk.net</u> A poster is also displayed on the Parish Council noticeboard opposite the Affleck Arms.

Minutes of meetings are published on the Parish Council website along with other information relating to the Parish Council as well as local information, contact details for district and county councillors and Coronavirus information.

Change of meeting day

In future, parish council meetings will take place on the third <u>Wednesday</u> in January, March, May, July, September and November starting at 7pm. Meetings will take place via Zoom, but this will be reviewed at each meeting.

Planning

The Parish Council has received notifications for several Trees in Conservation Area applications. The planning application for the Woodyard was discussed at West Suffolk Council's Development Control Meeting on 7th October 2020. The decision was made to refuse the application.

The Parish Council has also submitted a response to the Government planning consultations which have been publicised in the press recently.

West Suffolk Council's New Local Plan consultation

The new Local Plan for West Suffolk will help shape the future of communities and supporting development up to 2040. The Local Plan will set out where homes will be built. All West Suffolk planning decisions are judged against Local Plan policies.

The process involves three consultation stages with the first being the **Issues** and Options which will run from 13th October – 22nd December 2020. Part One includes a vision for West Suffolk for the plan period to 2040 and a new draft settlement hierarchy; Part Two sets out issues in West Suffolk that are particularly relevant to our area; and Part Three contains sections for the towns, key service centres, local service centres and villages identified in the draft settlement hierarchy in part one of the plan.

Due to COVID-19 there will be a range of ways people will be able to see the information, find out more and have their say, including a virtual exhibition online. West Suffolk Council wants everyone in and beyond West Suffolk to be involved in preparing their new local plan.

Visit the exhibition https://westsuffolk.exhibition.app/ Have Your Say https://westsuffolk.inconsult.uk/

Keeping Dalham Tidy

The Parish Council would like to thank everyone for their enthusiasm in tidying up the village recently. Please note however that the landowner is responsible for maintaining footpaths, and you should always seek their permission before intervening. We had a case recently where someone had cut back vegetation on private land (and well beyond the public footpath), which greatly upset the owner, and then caused more upset in getting rid of the rubbish. The Parish Council can always advise on who owns the land where there is an issue with a footpath or other access.