



## CREETING ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council meeting held at the Village Hall, Creeting St Mary on **Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 7.30pm.**

### **Present:**

Councillors:                    S Haynes (Chair)  
    J Palmer  
    L Plummer  
    P Scully

In Attendance:                J Blackburn - Clerk  
    Two members of the public

### **CSM115/23/24 – TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE**

Apologies had been received from Cllr P Piper.

### **CSM116/23/24 – TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None had been received.

### **CSM117/23/24 – PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**Ref: DC/23/03917** - Full Planning Application - Part retrospective application for 1No pitch Gypsy/Traveller site with 1No static, 1No tourer and associated fencing and hardstanding and installation of soakaway crates and cesspit - Caravan On Land, Hawks Mill Street, Needham Market

Two members of the public were present. They reported that the previous owner of the site had installed hardcore and a caravan. The site was then sold to the current owner.

The hardcore at the site was moved around by the current owner with a digger and a septic tank was installed. It was noted that the septic tank was below ground level, which was not appropriate for the site.

During the recent flooding, water rose over the hardstanding and under the caravan, as the site was a flood plain.

It was also noted that from the tow path, a public right of way, the view across the field to the Grade 2 Listed Buildings, Hawks Mill, the caravan was prominently in view, which was not in keeping with the surrounding area.

The caravan was outside of the settlement boundary and adjacent to listed buildings.

Members were also aware that there were vacant pitches at nearby Traveller sites which were accessible to local amenities, which would enable the land to be restored back to its original state.

**It was AGREED:**        That the Parish Council **Object** to the application for the above reasons. **Clerk to action.**

The meeting finished at 7.45pm.

Chairman: ..... Dated: .....