

# Bradfield Combust with Stanningfield Parish Council

Nicola Glading, Parish clerk, 6, Albert Rolph Drive Lakenheath, Suffolk IP27 9DA

Tel: 01842 337488

Email: [BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com](mailto:BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com)

## MINUTES OF THE BRADFIELD COMBUST with STANNINGFIELD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on MONDAY 20<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2020

Present:

Cllr D. Staff

Cllr A. Langan

Cllr C Waters

Cllr C. Mears

Cllr A Veal

In attendance: N Glading, Parish clerk, D/Cllr S. Mildmay-White and two members of the public.

2020/81	<b><u>RECORDING OF MEETING</u></b> None	
2020/82	<b><u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u></b> a) Apologies were received from Cllr M Grimmer and C/Cllr K Soons b) Councillors consented to accept the apologies received	
2020/83	<b><u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u></b> None	
2020/84	<b><u>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</u></b> A member of the public reported that there is a restriction at the allotment bridge, which needs rodding to release.	
2020/85	<b><u>UPDATES FROM COUNTY and DISTRICT COUNCILLORS</u></b> a) C/Cllr K Soons had emailed an update for December 2019 and January 2020 which had been emailed to all councillors b) D/Cllr S Mildmay- White had emailed an update for January 2020 which had been emailed to all councillors D/Cllr commented that <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the new rubbish tip has received good feedback: there are no steps. Two BC&amp;S Councillors had found it difficult to find.</li> <li>• The District Council will enforce parking, collecting the revenues (although the scheme is expensive to run) and are currently recruiting.</li> <li>• There has been a complete change in shopping habits with online shopping, with parking in the town centre being a factor</li> <li>• The additional accommodation in Bury has no car parking, on the assumption that elderly people will not need a car.</li> <li>• Cllr Mears to send photo of the disabled child's swing envisaged for the playground to D/Cllr Mildmay-White (Locality funding £1,000) See 2020/88</li> </ul>	Appendix 1 Appendix 2  Cllr Mears
2020/86	<b><u>MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2019</u></b> a) The councillors unanimously <b>RESOLVED</b> to accept the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 25 <sup>th</sup> November 2019 and the Chair was authorised to sign as a true record. Clerk to examine budget headings and report back at the next meeting. b) No business remained from the meeting	

# Bradfield Combust with Stanningfield Parish Council

Nicola Glading, Parish clerk, 6, Albert Rolph Drive Lakenheath, Suffolk IP27 9DA

Tel: 01842 337488

Email: [BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com](mailto:BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com)

2020/87	<p><b><u>MATTERS RELATING TO PLANNING AT BRADFIELD COMBUST &amp; STANNINGFIELD</u></b></p> <p>a) The update from the clerk on the meeting with Havebury Housing held on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2020 in respect of DC/19/1023/OUT – Land east of 1 Bury Road, Stanningfield was <b>NOTED</b></p>	Appendix 3
2020/88	<p><b><u>NEW PLAY EQUIPMENT – UPDATE</u></b></p> <p>a) It was unanimously <b>AGREED</b> that Cllr Mears would source a disabled child's swing for the playground.</p>	Cllr Mears
2020/89	<p><b><u>CLERKS REPORT</u></b></p> <p>To receive the Clerks report and in particular</p> <p>a) No items had been actioned under delegated powers</p> <p>b) The repairs to the play area as advised in the inspection report will be actioned once the weather improves (Cllrs Staff and Mears)</p> <p>c) Clerk to contact the member to discuss the Register of Interest declaration outstanding</p> <p>d) The letter confirming BC&amp;S compliance from the Pensions Regulator was <b>NOTED</b></p> <p>e) The clerks report on issues relating to Highways, footpaths as reported to Suffolk Council and the response was <b>NOTED</b>.</p>	Cllrs Staff & Mears  Clerk
2020/90	<p><b><u>EMERGENCY PLAN</u></b></p> <p>a) It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to <b>APPROVE</b> the BC&amp;S Emergency Plan</p> <p>b) It was <b>AGREED</b> that Stanningfield Village Hall would act as a designated rest centre, clerk to arrange convenient dates for inspection by the emergency planning officer. It was <b>NOTED</b> that the two public houses may be willing to serve as rest centres. It was further <b>AGREED</b> to suggest the Churches as alternate rest centres.</p>	Clerk
2020/91	<p><b><u>FINANCE/ AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENTS</u></b></p> <p>a) The requests for payment were unanimously <b>APPROVED</b></p> <p>b) There were no additional requests for payment</p> <p>c) It was unanimously <b>AGREED</b> to authorise the Chair to sign the precept request form to West Suffolk District Council</p> <p>d) The Cash Book and Bank reconciliation presented by the clerk were <b>NOTED</b> and signed</p> <p>e) There were no donations/ grants given or received</p> <p>f) The quotation from First Connect for annual fire alarm &amp; emergency lighting systems at Stanningfield Village Hall was unanimously <b>APPROVED</b></p> <p>g) Water bills for the allotments- these are estimated, clerk to obtain costs with actual readings.</p>	Appendix 4     Clerk  Clerk
2020/92	<p><b><u>NALC FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE CHURCH BRIEFING</u></b></p> <p>a) The NALC briefing on financial assistance to Churches was <b>NOTED</b></p>	
2020/93	<p><b><u>CHAIRS ITINERARY and REPORTS</u></b></p> <p>a) Chairs report: items already covered off</p> <p>b) Councillors reports:</p> <p>(i) Newsletter article has been submitted by Cllr Grimmer</p>	

# Bradfield Combust with Stanningfield Parish Council

Nicola Glading, Parish clerk, 6, Albert Rolph Drive Lakenheath, Suffolk IP27 9DA

Tel: 01842 337488

Email: [BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com](mailto:BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com)

	<p>(ii) There is standing water on Bury road at the top of Old Lane, which is a perceived hazard to vehicles. Clerk to report to Highways</p> <p>(iii) The bus shelter repairs will be actioned as soon as possible by Cllrs Staff and Mears</p> <p>(iv) Clerk to obtain quotations for finishing the gazebo roof</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllrs Staff &amp; Mears</p> <p>Clerk</p>
2020/94	<p><b><u>EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION</u></b></p> <p>a) To exchange any relevant information at the discretion of the Chairman</p>	
2020/95	<p><b><u>EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC - EXEMPT MATTERS</u></b></p> <p>Matter discussed in confidence under exemption:</p> <p>.</p> <p><b><u>Grass Cutting Contract BC&amp;S</u></b></p> <p>The councillors discussed five quotations at length. It was unanimously <b>RESOLVED</b> to award the grass cutting contract to TOPs Garden Services; this included a tree survey and maintenance.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>

The meeting closed at 9.03 pm

## Dates of next meetings:

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2020**

## Appendix 1- Update from C/Cllr Soons January 2020

### New SEND provision identified – ready to offer 168 additional spaces from September 2020

Suffolk County Council is now in a position to provide further information regarding the development of new Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) units attached to mainstream schools in the county. The authority is very pleased to announce that, following a thorough evaluation process, a number of suitable schools have been identified to develop:

- **Two Generic Key Stage 1 Units** – Pipers Vale Primary Academy and Burton End Primary Academy
- **Three Communication and Interaction Key Stage 2 Units** – Murrayfield Primary Academy, Houldsworth Valley Primary Academy, and Causton Junior School
- **One Cognition and Learning Key Stage 2 Unit** – Clements Primary Academy
- **Three Communication and Interaction Key Stage 3/4 Units** – Copleston High School, Ixworth School, and Newmarket Academy
- **One Cognition and Learning Key Stage 3/4 Unit** – Castle Manor Primary Academy.

In total, this means an additional 168 new specialist placements will be available for children and their families in Suffolk from September 2020, on top of existing specialist provision. Successful schools are currently working with the council to ensure the appropriate infrastructure and support is in place to enable these new units to be open in September 2020.

A further commissioning round will begin in Spring 2020 and will consider further expressions of interest from mainstream schools who hope to open units in September 2021. This will include targeted work from our provider development team in areas of the county where gaps have been identified to ensure we are able to offer local provision for our children and their families.

## Bradfield Combust with Stanningfield Parish Council

Nicola Glading, Parish clerk, 6, Albert Rolph Drive Lakenheath, Suffolk IP27 9DA

Tel: 01842 337488

Email: [BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com](mailto:BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com)

---

### **Suffolk County Council's Cabinet Member for Children's Services, Education and Skills, Cllr Mary Evans said:**

"We are delighted with the interest shown by our mainstream schools and would like to thank all those who came forward wanting to work in partnership to deliver this provision. If you are a mainstream school that would like to become involved, or would like further information, there is still time.

"Regular updates will follow as we continue to work hard in the delivery of our capital programme across the next five years, resulting in an additional 870 specialist places."

Please contact Jamie Mills [Jamie.mills@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:Jamie.mills@suffolk.gov.uk) for further information if your school is interested in developing a SEND unit.

The council is very pleased to work in partnership with the Suffolk Parent Carer Network and a spokesperson for the Network, said: "The development of new specialist education placements is something that SPCN continue to be involved in at all stages, with the parent carer voice & feedback we have received being an integral part of the specialist unit provision process.

"To see so many providers coming forward saying they want to be part of the solution gives us real hope that we are now on our way to having an education offer that meets the needs of Suffolk's most vulnerable learners and we look forward to working alongside all partners in the future developments of the Capital Programme."

### **David Waters jailed for 2 years and 8 months for misleading vulnerable customers**

On 19 December, Suffolk businessman David Waters (71 of Manwick Road, Felixstowe) received a 32-month custodial sentence.

He has also been banned from being a company director for 10 years and been made the subject of a criminal behaviour order, which prevents him from selling any products in a person's home and any involvement in a mobility aid company.

His company, Anchor Mobility Ltd, was also fined a total of £15,000 for 15 counts of unfair commercial practice, following a successful prosecution by Suffolk County Council's Trading Standards.

Mr Waters failed to fulfil orders and refused to refund customers in his position as sole director of Anchor Mobility Limited, a company meant to provide life-improving furniture to vulnerable and elderly people.

Instead, many customers received no goods, no refunds and poor customer service. One customer paid over £8,000 for two beds, which were never delivered, and no refund was ever received.

A hearing to consider compensation for victims will take place in the new year.

On 31 October 2019, a jury found Mr Waters and Anchor Mobility Limited guilty on 31 counts following a three-week trial at Ipswich Crown Court. Offences included fraudulent trading under the Companies Act 2006, engaging in unfair commercial practices, multiple offences of misleading consumers by taking large deposits with the promise of delivering goods without doing so, and failing to refund consumers under the Consumer Protection from Unfair Trading Regulations 2008.

### **On sentencing Mr Waters, Judge Peters said:**

"This case is about people. The continuing and constant theme in victims' statements is that these weren't rich people in large houses who could afford to lose thousands of pounds. These people suffered and can't afford to buy another chair or bed. They were all left feeling very stupid as a result of being taken in. They shouldn't feel stupid, they were taken in and they are not alone.

"Any sentence I pass is not of my making – it is of your making, reflecting your culpability, harm and offending. I have read much and been moved by all of it. In my view, the only appropriate sentence is immediate custody."

### **Stuart Hughes, the Senior Trading Standards Officer who led the case, said:**

"I'm pleased the verdict has adequately recognised the callous attitude Mr Waters exhibited by exploiting elderly, vulnerable and disabled customers. Having heard directly from his victims throughout the trial, I hope this verdict provides them with some satisfaction that justice has been done, and provides Mr Waters with an opportunity to reflect on the serious consequences of his offending.

"His victims paid money in good faith, often up front, for furniture intended to improve their quality of life. Anchor Mobility Limited and David Waters owed their customers a special duty of care, but instead caused vulnerable people great stress, anger and financial loss that they could ill afford."

### **Councillor Richard Rout, Suffolk County Council's Cabinet Member for Environment and Public Protection, said:**

## Bradfield Combust with Stanningfield Parish Council

Nicola Glading, Parish clerk, 6, Albert Rolph Drive Lakenheath, Suffolk IP27 9DA

Tel: 01842 337488

Email: [BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com](mailto:BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com)

---

“This has been a case full of despicable actions and my thoughts continue to be with all those who have suffered, both emotionally and financially. Mr Waters will now have to live with the custodial consequences of misleading his customers and abusing his position of power.

“I am grateful to our Trading Standards officers, partner agencies and the National Trading Standards Tri Regional Investigation Team (East of England, London & South East) for helping bring Mr Waters to justice. We want a level playing field for Suffolk’s honest traders and to help protect the legitimate economy of our county and beyond.”

Waters had been involved in two previous companies, which supplied similar products, that were prosecuted by Suffolk County Council’s Trading Standards.

In 2013, he pleaded guilty to nine consumer protection offences as a result of his involvement in Mobility UK Limited. He was sentenced to a financial penalty and was ordered to pay the costs of the prosecution. In 2015, Westminster Recliners Limited pleaded guilty to engaging in an aggressive commercial practice, Waters had been their company secretary but had all offences against him dropped.

Anchor Mobility Limited was a business set up to supply bespoke armchairs and beds targeting elderly and disabled consumers.

In relation to Anchor Mobility Ltd, Suffolk County Council’s Trading Standards received several calls and accumulated 26 witnesses, an indication of the scale of this operation. It is calculated that the loss to customers is around £82,000. However, it is likely that many other people have made payments to Anchor Mobility Limited and not received their goods.

Local businesses also lost out to Anchor Mobility Limited, who built up a debt of over £20,000 for lease or rental payments over a six-month period. Waters and his business were eventually locked out of their offices as a result. Furniture manufacturers also suffered by not being paid for products they had made, or lost time which was set aside for production.

If people are concerned about services, goods or products that they have agreed to or purchased on the doorstep, advice is on hand from the national Citizens Advice consumer helpline on 03454 040506.

### **New bridleway opens up traffic free link**

A newly created bridleway in Bury St Edmunds, linking the south east side of the town with Suffolk Business Park, was officially opened on 17 December.

Suffolk County Council’s Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport and Rural Affairs, Andrew Reid joined Councillor Richard Rout, representing the Hardwick Division, and the Mayor of Bury St Edmunds, Councillor Peter Thompson, in cutting the ribbon. Children from Sebert Wood Primary School were also in attendance. The new path will provide an off-road route for walkers and cyclists avoiding the busy A14 junction 44. Work started on reconstructing the bridleway on Monday 21 October 2019 and lasted for seven weeks.

The bridleway cost approximately £150k to construct and has been surfaced using recycled materials from roadworks. The bridleway will also link through to Sustrans National Cycle Route 13, and provide access into the Moreton Hall estate, Suffolk Business Park and the new Rougham Tower Avenue and Sybil Andrews Academy. The route is a continuation of Rougham Road, providing a route beyond the lorry park running parallel to the A14.

Suffolk Highways worked closely with the landowner and with West Suffolk Council, which identified the route as a possible new sustainable connection in the town.

As part of the improvement works, Suffolk Highways will also be trialling solar powered lighting. Much like road studs, these units will provide a delineation of the route to assist users along the bridleway. The lighting provides low-level illumination to guide users; it is not designed to replace street lighting.

### **Councillor Andrew Reid, Suffolk County Council’s Cabinet Member responsible for Highways, Transport and Rural Affairs, said:**

“I am delighted we have been able to provide this link and create an attractive route from the Moreton Hall to the South East side of Bury St Edmunds for cyclist and walkers.

“Following our climate emergency declaration, the council is looking into all aspects of how projects like this can help us be more sustainable, from encouraging walking and cycling, to using reclaimed materials and renewable energy. This bridleway makes active travel an appealing alternative and I hope local residents and commuters take full advantage of it.”

# Bradfield Combust with Stanningfield Parish Council

Nicola Glading, Parish clerk, 6, Albert Rolph Drive Lakenheath, Suffolk IP27 9DA

Tel: 01842 337488

Email: [BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com](mailto:BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com)

---

## **Councillor Richard Rout, for Hardwick division, said:**

"This multi-user path will connect the Moreton Hall area to the town. I know people who cycle and walk this route regularly and the only way currently is across the busy A134. The new bridleway is much safer and a direct route to the Suffolk Business Park and town centre.

"I also welcome the use of recycling material in the construction of the bridleway and the trialling of the solar power lights. It is important we consider new technology and sustainable materials in our highways works."

## **Suffolk Fire and Rescue Service rated "Good" in Government inspection**

Suffolk Fire and Rescue Service has been rated "Good" for its effectiveness, efficiency and how well it leads and manages its staff.

Suffolk Fire and Rescue Service has undergone its most comprehensive, independent inspection in many years and has been rated as "Good" for its effectiveness, efficiency and how well it leads and manages its staff.

The findings come from [a report](#) published on 17 December by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire & Rescue Services (HMICFRS), who inspected Suffolk's service earlier this year. Inspectors reviewed every aspect of the service, from how we respond to 999 emergencies, to looking at policies and interviewing a wide range of firefighters and staff.

The report praised many aspects of the service, particularly how well it collaborates with other emergency services and agencies, how it responds to fires and other emergencies, how it ensures fairness and promotes diversity, and the financially sound way the service is run.

## **Mark Hardingham, Chief Fire Officer, said:**

"The 'Good' rating we have been given is pleasing and positive for our first inspection. This is down to the hard work and dedication of all our staff and I'm extremely proud to be their, and Suffolk's, Chief Fire Officer.

"The inspection has reported a balance between what we do well and what we need to do better, much of which is already in hand and some of which will be new work.

"I'm especially pleased that the work we have all been doing on leadership, culture, values, equality and inclusion has been recognised.

"We will never stop working to ensure we provide a good and professional fire and rescue service to Suffolk's communities whenever they need us."

## **Councillor Richard Rout, Cabinet Member for Environment and Public Protection at Suffolk County Council, said:**

"I'd like to thank all our fire and rescue staff for their professionalism and commitment, especially those involved in the inspection process who engaged in an open and honest way to help us improve even further.

"This report reflects the hard work of our professional firefighters, managers, 999 control and non-operational staff who work tirelessly to ensure they provide good services to people across Suffolk.

"I know from regularly speaking to firefighters and staff, that the service is in good hands, and Suffolk is a safe place to live and work. There is always room for improvement, and we will continue to work on these areas highlighted in the report.

"Our fire service is held in high regard across the county and country, and I understand the importance of continued investment. In recent years we have done this with new uniforms, fire engines, support vehicles and equipment.

"As part of this ongoing investment, we are proposing to increase the service's budget by £500,000 plus inflation next year. This increase of close to £1m will help contribute to delivering on the improvements identified in the report, alongside our existing plans for investment."

HMICFRS has now completed its first inspection of all 45 fire and rescue services across the country. These will continue to happen regularly, and it is proposed that Suffolk will be inspected again in 2021.

HMICFRS will also be publishing its 'State of the Nation' report summarising the findings from the inspections of all 45 fire and rescue services in England in the coming weeks.

## **New £3million pot announced for Suffolk projects**

A £3million pot has been formed to fund projects such as new speed cameras, electric charging points or new cycle lanes.

On 16 December, Suffolk County Council's Finance Cabinet Member, Gordon Jones, unveiled the Suffolk 2020 fund - a one-year fund which organisations can bid for a share of.

# Bradfield Combust with Stanningfield Parish Council

Nicola Glading, Parish clerk, 6, Albert Rolph Drive Lakenheath, Suffolk IP27 9DA

Tel: 01842 337488

Email: [BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com](mailto:BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com)

---

Bids between £50,000 and £500,000 will be accepted within 100 days of the new financial year and will be for Suffolk-wide projects.

Councillor Jones said nothing is ruled out, so the fund could be used for schemes such as new cycle lanes, electric charging points, road safety schemes, automatic number plate recognition cameras, tree planting or other projects.

## **Councillor Jones said:**

"I think it's quite exciting to take the opportunity to continue to engage with the communities and respond to some of our priorities.

"These are really significant and if there is an opportunity for match-funding the projects can be even better. It's not essential, but it can provide an opportunity to kick start some really exciting and sizeable projects."

The one-year financial settlement from central government, which effectively dictates how much the council will get, has enabled the creation of the fund because that money would normally be absorbed in other departments across a financial settlement of several years.

Councillor Jones confirmed that bids can only be for one-off project costs, rather than being used to prop up the running costs of any project or organisation.

The council currently has cross-party policy development panels investigating measures to help with climate issues and provision for cycling. Councillor Jones said the fund could well be used to help fund recommendations from those groups.

## **Schoolchildren's mission to create 1,000 endangered animals from waste**

From turtles to snow leopards, Suffolk schoolchildren have created 1,000 endangered animals from recycled material.

Thirty schools and groups from across the county took part in the project, initiated by the Suffolk Waste Partnership, to make endangered animals from reused and recycled materials. The idea is to raise awareness of the effects of population growth and climate change, as well as the impact that littering and pollution has on animal habitats.

St Pancras Catholic Primary School in Ipswich was one of the schools which took part. Children used homemade glue made from flour and water, with recycled paper and cardboard to make tigers, whales, turtles and gorillas.

## **Justine Hughes, a class teacher at St Pancras, said:**

"It was so lovely to have been given the green light to be creatively green, making recycled and totally biodegradable art work.

"The project linked seamlessly with our science topic about animals and the changing environments they inhabit."

## **A spokesperson for the Suffolk Waste Partnership said:**

"This project is important because it helps young people realise that lots of everyday materials can be reused and recycled – that waste can be a helpful resource.

"It is inspiring to see such colourful creations and it is well worth a visit to see the art on display. We hope the children enjoyed the opportunity to learn about recycling."

This is the fifth year of the Christmas display with previous themes including 1,000 stars, baubles, birds of peace, polar bears and penguins.

The artwork will be on display at Ipswich Town Hall café Gallery from 27 November to 11th January and at The Apex, Bury St Edmunds, from 2 December to March 2020.

## **New and improved recycling centre to open this month**

A new and improved recycling centre will open in Bury St Edmunds on 16 January.

The flagship site in Fornham Road will replace the current recycling centre at Rougham Hill, Bury St Edmunds, which will close its doors permanently.

# Bradfield Combust with Stanningfield Parish Council

Nicola Glading, Parish clerk, 6, Albert Rolph Drive Lakenheath, Suffolk IP27 9DA

Tel: 01842 337488

Email: [BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com](mailto:BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com)

---

Opening on 16 January this will be the first open air site in Suffolk where all containers can be accessed by the public from ground level, removing the need for steps. Visitors will be able to recycle the same wide range of materials currently available at the Rougham Hill recycling centre.

A charity Reuse shop, which will take materials suitable for reuse from our recycling centres, will also be opening on site.

Paul West, cabinet member for Waste at Suffolk County Council, said: "This new flagship site will be a significant asset to people in west Suffolk.

"It is purpose-built to enable the growing communities of west Suffolk to recycle and reuse their rubbish safely and efficiently and as all the containers are now on one level, there are no steps to contend with. It is also a safer site with lorries emptying containers in a totally separate area."

Suffolk's Recycling Centres are operated by FCC Environment on behalf of Suffolk County Council. All the staff from Rougham Hill will be transferred to the new site.

Steve Longdon, Regional Director at FCC said: "We are very excited to be moving into the new recycling centre at Fornham Road. The site will enable residents to recycle the same wide range of materials as they currently can but with less queuing."

The existing site at Rougham Hill will close its gates on Tuesday 14 January. From Thursday 16 January all site users should take their waste to the new Fornham Road site. All Suffolk recycling centres are closed on Wednesdays. No waste or recycling can left by the gates or in the vicinity of the old site. This will be classed as fly-tipping, which is a criminal offence and is liable to prosecution.

For more information on the new Recycling Centre at Fornham Road and on fly-tipping please visit [www.suffolkrecycling.org.uk](http://www.suffolkrecycling.org.uk)

## **Improvements in sight as date agreed for plans to tackle Suffolk's parking problems**

Councils in Suffolk are ramping up activity in order to take on responsibility for local parking management from 6 April 2020.

Parking patrols in Suffolk will soon be managed by district and borough councils, in a bid to improve parking locally and drive down nuisance and unlawful parking in towns and villages across Suffolk.

Traditionally, roadside parking offences were a matter for the Police. However, parking has become a lower priority for them, so Suffolk County Council is transferring this responsibility to local district and borough councils under a process known as civil parking enforcement, or CPE.

Councils already manage public car parks in many towns and villages, so the changes make sense. Suffolk Constabulary is supportive of the move because the transfer of responsibilities will enable them to spend additional time on keeping communities safe and arresting and bringing offenders to justice.

Moving the responsibility from the police to local councils requires that statutory notice is given in Parliament. The parliamentary order will be laid until 30 January.

# Bradfield Combust with Stanningfield Parish Council

Nicola Glading, Parish clerk, 6, Albert Rolph Drive Lakenheath, Suffolk IP27 9DA

Tel: 01842 337488

Email: [BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com](mailto:BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com)

---

CPE has been running successfully in Ipswich since 2005; both Ipswich Borough Council and all the district councils have been working collaboratively with Police and Suffolk County Council in the planning stages to ensure a smooth implementation county-wide.

The change will bring many benefits, including:

- greater priority given to parking management locally, to help keep traffic moving;
- district and borough councils empowered to make local decisions to suit local circumstances;
- irresponsible and nuisance parking being enforced – supporting pedestrians, vulnerable road users, public transport services, drivers and emergency services to use the network more safely;
- fines associated with parking will be retained in Suffolk to support the cost of enforcement. Any surplus can be spent on local transport and environmental improvements;
- new jobs created county-wide to support parking management, patrols and enforcement.

## **Councillor Andrew Reid, Suffolk County Council's Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport and Rural Affairs, said:**

"Civil parking enforcement powers will soon sit with our district and borough councils across Suffolk. It is essential in enabling our communities to have closer management of their local parking challenges.

"A lot of residents come to us with concerns that people parking in their towns and villages are becoming more inconsiderate, and something needs to be done about it – we agree, and as a result are committed to seeing these parking issues managed locally to ensure fair and safe parking for all.

"I very much welcome the cross-council collaborative working in order to deliver better parking for the residents and those visiting Suffolk. Our colleagues will continue working together to ensure CPE is successfully launched and I look forward to seeing the benefits locally that these changes will bring."

## **Suffolk's Police and Crime Commissioner, Tim Passmore, said:**

"I am absolutely delighted to see progress being made at last. There has been quite a delay in getting this sorted, so it is great to finally have a date for implementation.

"The council-run parking teams will, without doubt, provide more effective parking enforcement than the police because it will be their main focus – we have seen this in Ipswich where parking enforcement was de-criminalised some years ago.

"Moving the responsibility for parking to local authorities will free up police time for them to deal with more urgent issues, which makes perfect sense and that is why I committed £190K from the Constabulary's reserves to help establish the scheme."

## **Notes:**

Suffolk is one of the last areas in England to take on Civil Parking Enforcement (CPE). CPE already operates successfully in over 300 district council areas in the country and of those without CPE, four are in Suffolk.

Traditionally roadside parking was enforced by the police. However, parking has become such a low priority for them that responsibility has been transferred to the local councils in most areas as they are already responsible for public car parks in their areas.

# Bradfield Combust with Stanningfield Parish Council

Nicola Glading, Parish clerk, 6, Albert Rolph Drive Lakenheath, Suffolk IP27 9DA

Tel: 01842 337488

Email: [BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com](mailto:BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com)

---

In some of our towns across Suffolk, selfish drivers are parking without any regard to the fact that they are blocking the road causing traffic to build up or are cutting access to people's homes or business premises. In extreme cases, our emergency services rushing to answer 999 calls have been held up by badly parked vehicles.

East Suffolk, Ipswich Borough and West Suffolk Councils will carry out civil parking enforcement in their own areas. Within Babergh & Mid Suffolk these services will be provided by West Suffolk and Ipswich Borough Council.

## Children's Centre Services to expand offer for families and children aged 0-19

Friday 10 January 2020, Suffolk County Council launches a review of its Children's Centre service with a view to strengthening its current family offer and expanding services for the most vulnerable families and children aged 0-19 across the county.

There will be no reduction in service budget as a result of this review. In fact, any savings made through the process, such as existing building costs, will be re-invested back into the 0-19 service to strengthen the current offer to families and to help develop future provision for young people and their families across Suffolk. It is important to note that this also means there will be no staff redundancies as part of this review.

The consultation, will run for the next seven weeks until 5pm on Sunday 1 March 2020. Details of the process, all supporting information and the consultation questionnaire can be found on the council's website at [www.suffolk.gov.uk/ccconsultation](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/ccconsultation) from 9am on 10 January.

Anyone who does not have internet access can complete the online questionnaire at their local library for free or request a hard copy or Easy Read version of the questionnaire by calling **0345 603 1842**.

As part of the consultation, there will be a number of public drop-in events taking place across Suffolk where any families interested in taking part in the consultation can meet members of the service team, local ones are below,

Tuesday 28 January 2pm - 4pm at **Stevenson Centre, Great Cornard**

Thursday 30 January 10am – 12pm at **the Apex, studio 2, Bury St Edmunds**

An extensive period of research and evaluation into current service provision was undertaken ahead of developing the proposal. This involved local analysis of each centre to understand how many local families have access to the site, who uses it and how far it is away from other community facilities that deliver family services including local libraries. Details of this research were published in the Cabinet report on 16 July 2019. The research focused on:

- The need for nursery provision in the area
- The level of local deprivation
- The existing 'Outreach' offer
- The cost of running the Children's Centre
- Usage of the buildings by partners e.g. Health
- The attendance of vulnerable families in areas where Children's Centre buildings have previously closed

As a result of this research, a proposal has been developed as part of the review which suggests the following future approach:

- Develop 16 full-time Family Hubs
- Develop 11 part-time Family Hubs

# Bradfield Combust with Stanningfield Parish Council

Nicola Glading, Parish clerk, 6, Albert Rolph Drive Lakenheath, Suffolk IP27 9DA

Tel: 01842 337488

Email: [BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com](mailto:BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com)

- Re-purpose nine sites for much needed nursery place provision or school provision that do not offer suitable accommodation for a Family Hub or where there are not enough nursery places
- Increase the existing Outreach service across Suffolk
- Close two buildings that cannot be re-purposed as a Family Hub and are unsuitable for use as nursery or school provision
- Retain and improve the existing service offer through Suffolk Libraries

**What is a Family Hub?** Family Hubs will be at the heart of the service going forward and will provide the location from where services are delivered and coordinated. The proposal is to have at least one main Family Hub in each area of Suffolk and provide services from other community sites closer to families. A Family Hub offers a range of services to families for all children and young people aged 0-19 and carers, with a particular focus on supporting the most vulnerable.

Part-time Family Hubs will be smaller sites incorporating a number of services e.g. Midwifery, Speech and Language, Child Health Clinics and group work delivered by the council or its partners. Part-time Family Hubs allow staff to provide Outreach services at other venues in nearby rural communities. When the part-time Family Hub is not in use by Family Hub staff, the building can be used by partners to maximise usage.

**What is Outreach?** One way to support the most vulnerable families accessing services closer to where they live is by bringing services to them through Outreach. Outreach refers to services that the council can deliver on a mobile basis, in locations where they are needed. This will support existing community activities such as parent and toddler groups and use some of the community venues such as community centres, village halls, sports centres to deliver Outreach services.

Working with the community ensures delivery of the right services for families; this could be providing a Stay and Play group, or offering tailored individual family support. This is an important way of supporting families and helping more children and young people get access to high quality play experiences while supporting their health and wellbeing. Outreach provides help, information, advice and guidance to isolated families who without it, might not otherwise have access to such services.

**What is meant by Re-purposing?** Some existing Children's Centre buildings have been identified as potential sites to support the delivery of much needed additional nursery and school provision. These sites would be re-designated from their current use and provide primarily nursery services in addition to some Outreach services for families.

Underpinning the review is the fact that no savings are being made as result of adopting this approach. Any potential savings made through re-purposing or closing current sites will be reinvested into the service to support the additional Outreach offer and support services managed through Family Hubs.

Suffolk County Council's Cabinet Member for Children's Services, Education and Skills, Councillor Mary Evans said: "Whilst the proposal offers a range of ideas that I believe will strengthen and expand our service offer to young people aged 0-19, I strongly believe in listening and taking onboard the views and ideas of families who currently use the service and also from those who may look to begin using the service in years to come. I want to make it very clear that this review is all about improving our current and future offer for the most vulnerable families and communities in Suffolk who need access to such services including Early Years. Any potential savings made as part of this review to current arrangements will be re-invested back into the service to broaden the current offer for families and young people aged 0-19 in Suffolk.

"I encourage everyone to take part and offer your valued opinion and ideas as part of the process, particularly if you and your family currently access the range of services we provide or might look to use them in the future. Whilst some communities may be considering sending group forms of representation as part of the process, I would really hope that every person interested in really helping us develop these services for the future also

# Bradfield Combust with Stanningfield Parish Council

Nicola Glading, Parish clerk, 6, Albert Rolph Drive Lakenheath, Suffolk IP27 9DA

Tel: 01842 337488

Email: [BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com](mailto:BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com)

---

takes the time to fully complete their own questionnaire to ensure we capture every view and idea so we can fully consider these as part of the process before any decision is taken." mary.evans@suffolk.gov.uk

## Appendix 2 Update from West Suffolk D/Cllr S Mildmay- White January 2020

- 1. Apprentices Day.** Our 19 apprentices took part in the Ourday event. This involved them showcasing the work they have been involved in through social media and online videos. It highlighted the work they have been involved in from community work to business. This is a very successful programme giving young people the opportunity to gain an insight into local government working and many of them go on to gain full time employment with the council.
- 2. Climate change emergency.** Along with SCC West Suffolk Council has declared a climate emergency. We have set up an environment and climate change task force. Initial work has focussed on travel and transport, renewables, housing, green spaces and biodiversity, waste and accreditation and measurement. As a baseline the latest statistics show that West Suffolk Council has been successful in reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 22.7% since 2010. 226 tonnes less CO2 compared to 2017. Renewable energy generated by West Suffolk council rose by 14% last year up by 66% since 2013. Business mileage has dropped 9% since 2017 and 34% since 2010. Water consumption is down by 14% since 2010 and the Council is recycling 52.4% of its office waste. Our parks continue to achieve national Green Flag awards.
- 3. Abbey gardens.** Work has commenced to remove the old tennis courts. New tennis courts will open in the spring on the site of the old Eastgate Nursery. The Abbey of St Edmund Heritage Partnership is bidding for funds for a scan to discover more about what lies beneath the grounds of the former Abbey. A new information point and plant sales area has opened in the Abbey gardens. The Gardens continue to attract more than 1.2 million visitors a year with footfall recorded at the entrance. One of the big attractions being the floral displays which are looked after by West Suffolk Council and a much valued team of volunteers. Next year will see community celebrations to mark 1000 years since the Abbey was founded by King Canute.
- 4. Suffolk Recycling Centre.** The new and improved Bury recycling centre at Fornham Road and Re-use shop opens on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 9.00 am. The Rougham Hill site closed on January 14<sup>th</sup> 2020. There is no change to the materials accepted for recycling and there will be a charity reuse shop on site. All the containers will be on one level with no steps to contend with. No waste should be left in the vicinity of the old site, it will be classed as fly tipping which is a criminal offence.
- 5. Fly tipping prosecution.** A successful fly tipping prosecution was secured at Ipswich Crown Courts just before Christmas. A restaurant owner from Bury St Edmunds had to pay a £359 fine, plus costs of £450 plus victim surcharge in addition to the £225 to the council for the cost of clearing and disposal of the rubbish. Where we can find evidence, the Council will not hesitate to prosecute
- 6. STEM.** There is currently a national shortage of people with skills in STEM (science, technology, engineering and maths). West Suffolk Council has teamed up with BT Adstal Park's schools Outreach Programme and Newmarket Academy. Together we are developing a new primary school programme which will show students some of the exciting things that STEM subjects can be used for. It will also create a legacy, empowering primary schools to teach STEM subjects and inspire interest from a much earlier age.

# Bradfield Combust with Stanningfield Parish Council

Nicola Glading, Parish clerk, 6, Albert Rolph Drive Lakenheath, Suffolk IP27 9DA

Tel: 01842 337488

Email: [BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com](mailto:BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com)

**7. Civil Parking Enforcement.** From 6<sup>th</sup> April on street parking enforcement will be run by West Suffolk Council. Considerable work has gone into preparing for this and it will be a challenge. Staff posts are being advertised and there will be plenty of communication on this matter prior to April. West Suffolk will be covering arrangements for Babergh and Mid Suffolk as well as all the towns and villages in West Suffolk. We will be receiving payment from Babergh and Mid Suffolk. I will keep you informed of further details.

**8. Locality budget.** I have awarded £1000 to Rougham Sports Hall towards their storage fund and £1000 to Stanningfield parish council towards play equipment upgrades. I have £813 left in my locality fund of which £313 must be spent by March 31<sup>st</sup>. I can carry £500 forward. Please get in touch if there are any schemes which I can help with. Hot off the press Bradfield St George have requested £500 to £600 towards an interesting community project.

## Appendix 3

### Notes from the meeting with Havebury Housing held on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2020 in respect of DC/19/1023/OUT

In attendance: Cllr D Staff, Cllr C Mears, D/Cllr S Mildmay-White, N Glading (clerk), Robert Frost (Havebury)

Re: proposed development site

Mr Frost was shown the sitting water at the site; BC&S PC have been previously advised that to deepen the ditch would affect the River Lark. The photographs showing floods and the Environment Agency Flood Risk assessment were shown to Mr Frost.

BC&S PC objected to the initial plans 5 years ago, and the subsequent alterations.

Stanningfield already has 30% low cost housing (Norse Close): this would mean that the balance would get out of proportion.

It cannot be guaranteed that the housing will go to local people.

Six local people applied for Erskine Lodge and were unsuccessful.

Great Whelnetham development has 50% shared ownership and 50% privately owned.

Mr Frost summarised the issues as:

1. Flooding
2. Aesthetics
3. Concerns regarding local connections being disregarded
4. Imbalance of social/ private housing at Stanningfield

D/Cllr Mildmay-White commented that there have already been two appeals.

## Appendix 4

BC & S Accounts Payable JANUARY 2020						
<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>VAT</u>	<u>Payable to</u>			

## Bradfield Combust with Stanningfield Parish Council

Nicola Glading, Parish clerk, 6, Albert Rolph Drive Lakenheath, Suffolk IP27 9DA

Tel: 01842 337488

Email: [BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com](mailto:BradfieldCombustwithStanningfieldpc@outlook.com)

---

West Suffolk	£1,503.46	250.48	West Suffolk Council	Invoice 1106591 for grass cutting 2019
Staff salary (December 2019)	£251.72		NG	see SALC payslip
Staff salary (January 2019)	£251.72		NG	see SALC payslip
PC Admin expenses (OCT, NOV, DEC)	£56.10		NG	postages and office expenses
Website hosting	£100.00		Suffolk Cloud	Invoice 29259C