

GISSING PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

On Tuesday, 14th September 2021 7:30pm at St Mary's Church

Councillors Present: Cllr J Cromley, Cllr D Eddington (Vice Chairman), Cllr S Sell

Apologies: Cllr M Harrowven, Cllr C Leeder, District Cllr Easter

In attendance: Marianne Purdy (Clerk), County Councillor Barry Duffin, two members of the public.

1. Welcome

The Vice Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.

2. County Councillor and District Councillor reports:

County Councillor Barry Duffin reported that County Council is now going looking at budgets for the coming year and he warned there will be cuts and will report back next meeting. The Government has granted 26.2million for the Long Stratton bypass – total cost is 37.4million – the balance is coming from developer funding and CIL. The planning application is in at SNC. Start date mid 2023, first traffic end of 2024.

District Councillor James Easter sent a report to the Parish Council (in brief):

Flooding: The new committee headed by Lord Dannatt had submitted another report to Norfolk County Council, this can be viewed on the County website under Meetings – cabinet papers 13-09-21 item 12, page 122, this will be debated and proposals put in place. There is another report being put forward through SNC which can be viewed in their website this is also up for discussion at their Cabinet meeting on 13-09-21 page 34.
Council Offices – At present there is a consultation on a proposal to merge both SNC and Broadland into one Council office.

Village Clusters - The consultation is closed and there were some 2000 responses and 70 new pieces of land put forward. We now wait for the analysis to be completed and a re-worked document to be presented.

Afghan Refugees - SNC has been asked to accommodate 8 families, the houses are coming mainly from the private sector although 3 social houses have been provided.

3. Public participation

None.

4. Apologies

Cllrs Harrowven, Cllr Leeder, and District Cllr Easter.

5. Declarations of interest

None.

6. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 13th July 2021, previously circulated to all Members of the Council, were unanimously agreed and signed. No matters arising.

7. Planning

No new planning applications.

Update on Malthouse Farm – no update.

8. Litter Pick

A resident of Gissing will follow-up a possible litter pick to be organised through McDonalds.

9. Village Plan

Deferred to November meeting.

10. SAM2 data

Deferred to November meeting.

11. Parish Partnership Scheme

There had been no suggestions from Councillors with regards a project for the application. Closing date is 10th December and can be discussed at November meeting if needed.

12. Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Discussions regarding a permanent memento. Keep on agenda to discuss when full council present.

13. Upkeep of Parish

The Parish Council agreed to look further into employing a handyperson for jobs around the village. An advert to be placed in the next newsletter.

14. GDPR Policy

A copy of the GDPR policy was circulated to all members of the Parish Council prior to the meeting. It was agreed to adopt this Policy. Proposed: Cllr Cromley Seconded: Cllr Sell

15. Highways

County Councillor Duffin to follow-up the matters discussed and will contact Mr Mayo to arrange for them both to meet with the Parish Council to look at the current issues.

16. Plot of land near Public House

It was noted that this is now back on the market.

17. Updates:

- **Village Hall** – No further progress at this stage with regards the sale. The electricity had been disconnected. Water in the process of being disconnected. Bank account £161.36 in credit. Insurance to be looked at by Cllrs Eddington and Cromley.
- **Millennium Wood** – Several of the trees that had been planted were not being taken care of and were overgrown by weeds. Clerk to email Children's Centre.
- **Trees** – Cllr Eddington to follow-up with tree warden

- **Parish Orchard** – the new fence had been erected.
- **Pinnocks Charity** – Cllr Eddington had been in contact with them regarding the information they required. They are due to start the tree work in the autumn followed by the drainage work.
- **Footpaths** – Signs to be collected from Mr Tyler. List of missing signs being worked on. Chequers Lane post needs putting back into ground.
- **Flooding** – Cllr Duffin to follow up with Highways regarding letters to land owners.
- **Gissing Support Group** – All going well.
- **B4RN** – 1/3 of the village are now signed up. Contractor will be back next month to continue works. By end of year all should be connected.
- **Community Building** – Many of the groups have now returned. A summer event had been held which was very successful. AGM is being held on 28th September 7.45pm at GCB.
- **Car Park** – Cllr Cromley will contact the PCC regarding approval of the monthly payment from the church towards the car park maintenance. The lights in the car park are being knocked over and the Parish Council will look into small steel barriers to be placed in front of them.

18. Clerk and RFO's report

Approved payments:

Miss M Purdy	Clerk's Wages x 2 months	£272.02
Gissing PCC	Room Hire for Parish Council meeting	£10.50 (Paid)
Mr M Harrowven	Refund of monies paid for defib pads	£86.40
Diss Trophy Centre	Engraved brass plate for bench	£50.00 (Paid)
Newman & Co	3 months payroll fees	£36.00
Kingfisher Ltd	Purchase of Grit Bin	£99.95 (Paid)
Unity Bank	3 months service charge	£18.00
Mr M Harrowven	24 x fence stakes	£209.56
Mr C Tyler	Packs of screws for fencing (not on agenda)	£20.14

Proposed Cllr Eddington, seconded Cllr Sell and unanimously agreed.

Allocated Funds

Details	Total
Dr J B Philip Memorial Fund	£1610.00
CIL	£2168.24
TOTAL £	£3778.24

Parish Land Account

PARISH LAND ACCOUNT	Balance	CR/DR	Balance
COIF Account 45216001T (460 units held)	7,165.24		7,165.24

No monies received.

19. Resignation of Clerk

The clerk had handed in her notice and the Parish Council will interview for the position.

20. Items for next Agenda

None.

21. Time and date of next Parish Council meeting

Tuesday, 9th November 7:30pm venue to be confirmed.

Meeting closed at: 8:30pm

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