

GISSING PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

On Tuesday, 6 September 2022 7:30pm at Gissing Community Building

Present: Cllr S Sell (Chair), Cllr D Eddington, Cllr J Cromley, Cllr B Calton

In attendance: Gareth Roderick-Jones (Clerk), District Cllr J Easter, 4 members of the public

- 1. Welcome to public** The chair of the meeting welcomed the member of the public
- 2. Report from County Councillor:** Cllr Easter, on behalf of Cllr Duffin, informed the council that the council are concerned at rising Covid numbers and remind residents to get autumn boosters. The Norwich Western Link consultation is underway. Norwich Airport industrial area has been sold for £35.7 million. Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service have a new door opening device which enables them to enter buildings with less damage. Norfolk Coroners Service are attempting to trace relatives of two deceased persons – details have been circulated by email.
District Council: Cllr Easter also gave information on South Norfolk issues: The move to Broadland Business Park has begun. The premises require considerable remodelling. Long Stratton premises are being mothballed and staff are temporarily moving to Broadland premises on a part-time basis. Satellite offices will be set up in places in the district (for example Diss). The Community Fund is restarting with limited funds. Liz Truss is to make a Nutrient Neutrality statement which should pave the way for smaller developments of up to 10 houses. Both County and District are looking into the setting up of warm rooms in public buildings. The SNDC website carries details of a £150 hardship fund (not age-related) which can be applied for via the website. Planning are struggling to recruit staff. South Norfolk have a new Flood Officer. Cllr Easter will attempt to set up a meeting with the Highways Engineer regarding footpaths and will coordinate with Cllr Duffin.
- 3. Public Participation:** A resident raised the question of the next Litterpick; the next official occasion will be in Spring 2023 and this will appear on the January agenda.
- 4. Apologies for absence:** Cllr K Jordan, County Cllr B Duffin
- 5. Declarations of interest:** none
- 6. Minutes of meeting 5 July and matters arising:** agreed

7. Planning applications:

2022/1441 outbuilding south of Simons Farmhouse, Long Row – conversion of agricultural building to 1-bed holiday let: no objection

2022/1520 Long Acre, Long Row – discharge of condition relating to materials: no objection

8. NOTED finances as at 29 August 2022:

Current a/c	£8,479.19
Savings a/c	£389.31
Savings a/c	£2,080.27
Balance	£10,948.77

9. NOTED: Payments made:

Malcolm Bushell	July village maintenance	£75.00
R Sell	hi-vis jacket	£13.99
R Sell	printing	£9.99

10. NOTED: Payments received:

B4RN	15 August	£500.00
Children’s Centre	10 August (car park)	£30.00
PCC	1 August	£10.00

11. To approve payments to be made:

Gareth Roderick-Jones	salary August 2022	£208.00
Newmans	payroll	£189.60

(proposed Cllr Cromley and seconded Cllr Calton)

12. Household Support Fund: (for information) Heart of Gissing have identified 30 households in need of support

13. Charities Commission annual return – clerk will follow up

14. Defibrillator: Cllrs Sell and Eddington have dealt with the recall notice and the defibrillator is now updated.

15. Village Sign: various different designs and choice of construction methods have been demonstrated – the council needs permission from Highways to determine location and to finalise design (clerk to follow up). Overall budget including plinth, post etc to be £1200

16. Village upkeep: Cllr Sell will coordinate with Mr Bushell and will add the noticeboard to the list

17. Highways Issues: ongoing

18. Updates: Various issues are ongoing, with the following noted:

- a. Old Village Hall: the solicitor is still working on issues around the covenant; clerk will check expiry date of planning permission

- b. Millenium Wood – the dead pine needs to be taken down – Cllrs Sell and Eddington will obtain prices and Cllr Calton will also contact a tree surgeon
- c. Parish Orchard: is surviving the drought
- d. Pinnocks Charity – the charity will do some ground work and Cllr Jordan will also assist
- e. Flooding: lots of ponds are being dug out in the dry weather; Cllr Eddington will find out if the Heritage Group would be interested in working on the Gissing ponds
- f. Gissing Support Group: chainsaw training is planned when funds become available
- g. Community Building – there will be a bank holiday brunch. Bookings are being taken for events 6 months ahead as confidence increases post-Covid
- h. Car park: the signage is still under discussion

19. Clerk's report: According to GDPR, personal information on websites should be kept to a minimum, so the clerk will reduce councillors' information to names only

20. Items for the next agenda:

21. Next meeting: 1 November 2022 at 7.30pm

