

GISSING PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

On Tuesday 7th May 2024, 7.30pm

At Gissing Community Building

Councillors Present	Cllr Eddington (Chair), Cllr Leeder, Cllr Jordan, Cllr Calton (acting RFO), Cllr Bradley, District Cllr Catherine Rowett, Cllr James Easter
In Attendance	2 parishioners, Parish clerk L Fountain
60	Election of Chairman David Eddington proposed by Kevin Jordan, seconded by Bernie Calton
61	Election of Vice-chair Bernie Calton proposed by Kevin Jordan, seconded by Dawn Bradley
62	To Welcome the Public
63	<p>Adjournment of the meeting to receive reports from District and County Councillors</p> <p>63.1 District and County Councillors</p> <p>District Councillor Rowetts report is available on the Parish website. www.gissingpc.info, under the Minutes and Agendas page. Covering rural speed limit motion debated, Pylons -support for offshore or underground cables, support for a dental school for Norfolk. Passed FP7 request to see what else we can do. Need to establish who owns the land.</p> <p>District Councillor Easters report is available on the Parish website. www.gissingpc.info, under the Minutes and Agendas page. Report focussed on food waste collections – 14 new vehicles required for collections, 2 bins for each property and a larger depot. Anti-social legislation – police now have powers to stop illegal gathering of ‘boy racers’. Clare house Diss – converted to temporary homeless accommodation for 26 families. SNC now 50 years old and voted in top 25 councils in UK. Pylons -consultation in Tibenham on 10th May – objections important and need to put back up plan of alternatives such as underground cables. Business rates on old VH – asked Cllr Easter to resolve as hall has been closed for 5 years.</p> <p>63.2 Public Participation</p> <p>Praise for the grass cutting along the footpath adjacent to community building.</p>

	<p>Pinnocks Charity – damaged trees removed after assessment by Rivers Trust. Drainage work to include natural flood management along beck.</p> <p>Parishioner has asked for costs to date on Village Hall paid by PC.</p> <p>Parishioner asked for an update on Pinnocks Charity, they had been chased and we were still waiting a response.</p> <p>Parishioner asked what the Parish Council were going to do about the access track across the Green Lane. We advised that D Cllr Rowett had spoken to District Council and as no access was blocked there was nothing that could be done. She would confirm this was the current position and revert back to us.</p> <p>Asked to consider raising issue again with NCC or Ramblers Association. Letter to be sent to SNC/NCC regarding the area of concreted footpath.</p> <p>63.3 Community Groups <i>Heart of Gissing – See annual report</i> <i>Gissing support group – 20 residents attended litter pick on 5th May</i> GSG are looking at setting up a ‘Mens Shed’ support group by request and were currently looking for locations where this could be held. 6th June lighting of the Beacon and reading at 9.15pm for D-Day commemoration. 8th June BBQ by pub smoking shelter <i>BBQ will be free for parishioners but a place must be booked.</i></p>	
64	To receive Apologies for absence None	
65	To record declarations of Interest on any items on this agenda None	
66	To approve minutes of the meeting 5th March 2024 & note any matters arising Minutes approved.	
66.1	Ongoing Flood Works and flooding within the Parish Rivers Trust, River Waveney Trust and Aviva completed work on 2 meadows. Levels of water monitored and the work downstream appears successful. Upper Street rainwater – pumped out drain- will see if problem solved. Issue that we received no reports or information about when work is carried out.	DE
66.2	F6 Footpath re-direction NCC approved route – awaiting legal confirmation. Enforcement action a waste of time as will be legally re-routed by then. Cllr Rowett to update next month.	DE
66.3	Village Hall update Mike Sarson discussing with Karen Birchell to put VH on market in current position. Declarations of Trust complete. Advised on covenants.	

67	<p>Car Park lighting Decided to alter the timings in winter to 3pm. Will look into glare issue and LED lights again in winter.</p>	
68	<p>To consider any planning applications received 2024/0883 The Old Bakery staircase -no objections 2022/0978 Sunroom – application withdrawn</p>	
69	<p>Finance and Clerks report Cllr Calton – acting RFO supporting clerk whilst training Clerk attended online training for AGAR 19/04/24 from NALC</p> <p>69.1 Review of current policies <i>Will be put on the July 2024 meeting Agenda.</i> Finance – need addition re: defibrillator emergency repairs. Will be updated for next meeting. Standing orders and other policies to be reviewed at July meeting.</p> <p>69.2 Biodiversity policy Draft policy to be circulated – action plan to be updated as working document. Will be signed off at July meeting and then published on website.</p> <p>69.3 Income and Expenditure for March and April 2024 Ratified, report circulated at meeting.</p> <p>Proposal to move £2000 to savings account – DE proposed, KJ seconded. S137 Grant - £100 to Gissing Support Group for the D Day celebration. DE proposed, KJ seconded.</p> <p>Account balances at 07.05.24 Current a/c £3972.77 Savings a/c £10067.23 Gross £14040.00 Allocated JB Philip £1610.00 CIL £2239.48 Available £10190.52</p> <p>Approved payments for March/April Gissing children centre £18 electric to defib D cobb maintenance £60 Clerk - £332.80 Newman’s end of year/new employee £194.40 Newman’s wages £96 NorfolkALC annual membership £86.96</p> <p>Gissing Children refund April payment for carpark £30</p>	clerk
70	<p>To receive items for next agenda FP6 Churchyard maintenance donation</p>	
71	<p>To confirm the date of the next meeting: 4th June 2024, 7.30pm</p>	