

FINNINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

*Minutes for the Annual Parish Council meeting held on
Tuesday 14th May, 2019,
in St. Bartholomew's Church, Finningham, starting at 7:35pm*

Present: Mr. A. Kilbee, Mrs. M. Webb, Mrs. C. Winter, Mr. J. Miller and Mr. J. Black
In attendance: Miss. N. Hill (Clerk) and 4 members of the public & Cllr Andy Mellen.

- 19.22 To appoint the Chairman of the Parish Council for the year 2019/2020 and sign a Declaration of Acceptance of Office**
Mrs. M. Webb proposed, seconded by Mrs. C. Winter and agreed for Mr. A. Kilbee to be the Chairman for 2019/2020.
- 19.23 To appoint the Vice - Chairman of the Parish Council for the year 2019/2020 and sign a Declaration of Acceptance of Office**
Mrs. C. Winter proposed, seconded by Mr. J. Miller and agreed for Mrs. M. Webb to be the Vice-Chairman for 2019/2020.
- 19.24 All 4 Councillors to sign a Declaration of Acceptance of Office for the next 4 years.**
Mr. A. Kilbee, Mrs. M. Webb, Mrs. C. Winter & Mr. J. Miller signed the Declaration of Acceptance Office and signed by the Clerk.
- 19.25 To co-opt Mr. J. Black back onto the Council.** He didn't nominate himself at the time of the local elections but has stated he would still like to be a Councillor.
Mr. A. Kilbee proposed, seconded by Mr. J. Miller and agreed to co-opt Mr. J. Black onto the Council and he signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.
- 19.26 Visiting speakers**
The new district Councillor, Cllr Andy Mellen attended and gave a report, which is on file.
- 19.27 Contribution by Members of the Public**
Mr Andy Brownlie mentioned the email he forwarded to Mr. A. Kilbee from Cllr Mary Evans. It was about the incident at the crossroad of the White Horse pub and suggesting ideas of what would make the crossroads safer should be sent to safetyandspeedmanagement@suffolk.gov.uk.
It was discussed what ideas should be sent to them and they were, a painted roundabout at the junction to slow people down. Better signs and clearer painted road markings. Rumble strips as well as flashing lights when people approach the junction. A suggestion was also made that any new developments in the village should pay towards better signage in the village to encourage people to stay within the speed limit. It's hoped that the priority under the bridge towards Wickham Skeith is changed.
Vandalism and poor behaviour by a small group of children in the village was discussed. Damage etc including eggs being stolen from a local stall and being smashed on the new slide seats, spitting on windows of people's houses and swearing at people who confront them about their behaviour. Police have stepped up patrols in the village and if anything is noticed, call through to the Police on 01473 613500 (this is quicker than dialling 101).
The footpath warden sent through a report which is on file.
- 19.28 Apologies and approval of absence.**
Mr. J. Black was running late due to trains from London.
Mrs. M. Webb proposed, seconded by Mr. J. Miller and agree to accept this lateness.
- 19.29 Approve minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 9th April 2019.**

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19.31 To receive any pecuniary or non-pecuniary declarations of interest from Members and any Gifts of Hospitality.

None

19.32 Register of Interests forms – do any Councillors need to make amendments to their forms?

No.

19.33 Matters arising from the meeting held on 9th April 2019

33.01 The chairman has completed a feedback form from Wicksteed and has also emailed them, as discussed at the previous meeting about how unhappy the Council are over the advice given during the installation of the slide.

33.02 Have Tesco said they have any particular style or format for a plaque for the slide?
No direct answer has been received.

33.03 Any ideas or photo's of play area signs that other villages have?
Mr. A. Kilbee had taken pictures of 2 signs that other villages have at their play areas. The Walsham-Le-Williows sign seems to be the favoured sign. It doesn't have too much information but it clear and concise.

33.04 2 villages signs are being ordered after the Chairman checked that the current poles are able to be used.

19.34 Working Group Report – Recreation area

Mrs. M. Webb had some questions that she needed help to answer with regards to completing the final part of the grant application for Tesco, Bags for Life. The Councillors were about to help with the answers to enable the final part of the grant to be requested.

19.35 To agree the meetings dates for 2019-2020. The 2nd Tuesday of each month and there not to be a meeting in August 2019 and February 2020?

To continue to have meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of each month and not to have a meeting in August 2019 or February 2020.

19.36 To approve the comments made during the internal audit, completed by Mr. A. Strickland

Carry over to next month, due to not having the completed internal audit information.

19.37 To approve the Annual Governance Statement 2018-2019

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19.38 To approve the Accounting Statements for 2018-2019.

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19.39 To discuss whether to install a gate from the path on the Green to the B1113, close to the play equipment. Residents still need to be able to get their wheelie bins through this gate.

Mr. A. Kilbee with ask one of the residents that lives close to this area to see if they are able to help to complete this.

19.40 To discuss Suffolk Day on 21st June and a village walk like last year. The newsletter cut off point has passed, therefore nothing can go into the newsletter in time, therefore a leaflet drop will need to be done.

Yes, this should be done again this year and to do the same route. The Clerk needs to print the map to enable a village leaflet drop.

19.41 To discuss that update from Highways re the accident at the crossroads. Mr Andy Brownlie has forwarded a response to the Chairman.

This was discussed earlier.

- 19.42 To discuss the ongoing issue of bad behaviour by a group of children in the village.** It's been suggested that the Parish Council should approach the children's parents. The Police clearly stated when they attended a Parish Council meeting that it's a Police matter and advised that Parish Council nor residents should take it upon themselves to deal with. This has already been discussed
- 19.43 The final instalment of the Tesco grant still needs to be claimed and they need additional information.**
This has already been discussed.
- 19.44 To discuss whether to employ or pay someone to do general maintenance around the village due to the poor turn out for the litter picks.** This was everyone in the village then participates due to paying via the council tax.
Mrs. M. Webb has offered to write something for the newsletter, to have a full page spread to get everyone's attention. Mr. J. Black has offered to cut the cemetery again and even offered to do the Churchyard, if it's needed.
- 19.45 The Parish Council now have 2 vacancies.** Any ideas how to fill them?
For a bold bit to be put into the newsletter.
- Correspondence Received**
- 19.46** Andy Mellen is the new District Councillor.
46.01
- Finance**
- 19.47** Clerk's report
47.01 Previous meeting, last balance reported was from 29/03/2019
Current account £11,836.12 (£90.09 not yet presented, so once presented £11,746.03)
Deposit account £3,322.20
- Balances as of 29/04/2019**
Current account £9,422.93 (£90.09 not yet presented, so once presented £9,332.84)
Receipts since 29/03/19 – £3,550.50 (half of precept)
Payments since 29/03/19 - £5,963.69 (invoices approved at previous meeting)
Deposit account £3,322.20
Requests for payment as listed below and to review matters coming forth.
- 47.02 Mrs. M. Webb proposed, seconded by Mrs. J. Black and agreed to authorise the following payments.
MORELOCK - £213.14 – Finningham signs
N. HILL - £25.25 – clerks expenses
E:ON - £7.98 – April's bill paid via DD.
J. LAWES - £323.34 – Playbark, wood & screws for area around the slide and bags for litter pick
C. GODDARD - £6.50 – fuel for the mower
- Planning**
- 19.48** To consider applications.
48.01 DC/19/01733 – Land North of Gosford House, Station Road, Finningham.
Full Planning Application – Erection of 1no. dwelling and garage.
No comments
Decisions & to consider planning matters coming forth.
- 48.02 GRANTED – Full Planning Application – Erection of 1no. dwelling.
Green Lane Farm, Green Lane, Finningham, IP254TJ
All planning applications received up to the date of the meeting will be discussed.
- Questions to Chairman**
- 19.49** None
- Items to be discussed at the next meeting and included in the June's agenda.**
- 19.50** Nothing extra over what has already mentioned.

The Chairman then closed the meeting at 9.30pm

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