

FINNINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Notice of Meeting

The virtual meeting of Finningham Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 12th May 2020, Via Zoom (link on website) or call 0203 695 0088, meeting ID 541 287 3394, numeric password 788523, starting at 7.30pm.

All council members are duly summoned to attend.

AGENDA

1. **Visiting speakers**
2. **Contribution by Members of the Public**
3. **Apologies and approval of absence.**
4. **Approve minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10th March 2020.**
5. **To receive any pecuniary or non-pecuniary declarations of interest from Members and any Gifts of Hospitality.**
6. **Matters arising from the meetings held on 10th March 2020.**
 - a. Sewage issues along Gislingham Road. How have things been?
 - b. A letter has been sent to the landlady of the The White Horse pub but have not heard anything back. Therefore, do not know her chosen charity is to receive the money.
 - c. Siting of the poles for the VAS. Any update from Highways?
7. **Chairman's Report**
8. **To discuss and approve the purchase of a sign, to explain rules within the play area on the Green.**

Last time this is was discuss, the Council were happy to have a sign like this. The cost of this is £125.60 + VAT
9. **To discuss and approve the cutting of the cemetery.** MSDC have quoted £100 per cut, as they believe it will take a day to complete. This service would only be needed twice a year.
10. **Annual risk assessments need completing, when safe to do so.** Who will be able to complete the annual risk assessments once lockdown due to COVID-19 his relaxed? Also, we need to ensure regular checks are completed on the play equipment.
11. **To approve to update the reserves policy.** To state that £2,121.84 remains unspent from the play equipment grant and £1,500 of grants gain for the VAR project.
12. **To discuss and approve the purchase of a new notice board.** The current one is in an extremely poor state of repair. A replacement of similar size and design, in powder coated aluminium is £895 + VAT. In a dark green finish to blend in with the surroundings.
13. **To discuss how to spend the CIL money that has recently been paid to the Council.** This CIL money has primarily been generated from the building of 6 houses along Westhorpe Road. There are rules around what the money can be spent on. How should the people in the village be asked and have their say?
14. **Correspondence Received**
 - a. Due to COVID-19 End of year accounts and external audit deadlines have been extended. The end of year accounts folder is nearly complete, to enable me to take to the internal auditor.
 - b. Mrs. C. Winter has confirmed that her husband and Doug Aitken have cleaned the flagpole.
 - c. A lot of information about COVID-19 and help groups for people in need.
 - d. 2 VAT claims have recently been completed, totalling £1,353.61.
 - e. Issue with a tree in the churchyard, overhanging a resident's property. Was dealt with as a matter of H & S, after a tree surgeon attended and advised it to be dealt with quickly. Work was due to take place on Friday 1st May, but due to illness, work had to be postponed.

15. Finance

- a. Clerk's report
- b. Requests for payment as listed below and to review matters coming forth.
E: on - £7.32 – April's bill paid via DD
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MSDC - £585.86 – Emptying of dog and litter bins for 1/4/2020 – 31/03/2021.
MISS. N. HILL - £???.?? – expenses
Retrospectively approve the following
COMMUNITY HEARTBEAT TRUST - £54.00 – Spare set of pads for defib.
MR A KILBEE - £97.08 – 2 brass plaques for memorial benches.
J. LAWES - £19.50 – Items to secure litter pick banner.

16. Planning

- a. To consider applications.
- b. Decisions & to consider planning matters coming forth.
Granted - DC/20/00395 - Planning Application - Erection of two storey side extension and single storey front extension (following demolition of existing single storey extension) Location: 5 Westhorpe Road, Finningham, Suffolk, IP14 4TN.

All planning applications received up to the date of the meeting will be discussed.

17. Questions to Chairman

18. Items to be discussed at the next meeting and included in the June's agenda.

All members of the public are cordially invited to attend but are respectfully asked not to contribute during the meeting unless invited to do so by the Chairman.

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