

FINNINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Notice of Meeting

*The meeting of Finningham Parish Council will be held on
Tuesday 14th September 2021,
in St. Bartholomew's Church, Finningham, 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.**
Mrs. L. Charter sends her apologies that she is unable to attend the meeting due to being away.
Cllr. A. Mellen sends his apologies that she is unable to attend the meeting due to being away
4. **Approve minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13th July 2021.**
5. **To receive any pecuniary or non-pecuniary declarations of interest from Members and any Gifts of Hospitality.**
6. **Matters arising from the meeting held on 13th July 2021.**
 - a. The hedge along the footpath through the Church, on the Green Farm side has been cut by James Black and the Chairman.
 - b. The grass mounds are still an ongoing issue. Once the size of these mounds can be established, the clerk will get BMSDC to remove these.
 - c. The clerk is waiting to hear back from the insurance company as to what the additional fee would be to cover the use of a sit-on lawnmower on a highway.
 - d. The Chairman is still needing to look at the overgrown branches on some of the trees on the Green, stopping the grass underneath being cut to be able to suggest the best course of action.
 - e. Mrs. C. Winter was going to respond to SCC regarding their response to the ongoing issue of flooding along Westhorpe Road.
 - f. The clerk is waiting to hear back with regards to community service people carrying out work within the village.
7. **Chairman's Report.**
8. **Update from the Track on The Green working group.**
9. **Update from the Village Footpath map working group.** The map has been received but not put in place.
10. **To discuss flooding within the village.** A resident has been in touch with regards to the River Dove and it needing to be cleared.
11. **To discuss the monitoring of traffic speed within the village.** Andy Brownlie has stepped down as Community Speed Watch co-ordinator.
12. **To discuss the emergency plan.** There have been 2 offers of help/guidance since the Chairman put something in the newsletter.
13. **To approve the model internal control statement.** The Chairman and the clerk have gone through this and have asked SALC for some advice. The internal report has been completed by the Chairman and Clerk and sent to all Councillors.
14. **To approve the fee to the external auditor, PKF Littlejohn LLP.** Due to the income for 2020-2021 being over £25,000, there is an automatic fee of £200 + VAT.
15. **To discuss and approve the renewal of the parish council insurance policy.** The renewal quote is £299.78. The clerk needs to ensure that it gives the cover that the parish council need.
16. **To discuss and approve the tree survey and recommendations.** BTS have attended the Green to look at the Oak trees as well as the other trees on the Green. Their report has been sent to all Councillors before the meeting.

17. To discuss the damaged kerb stones along Westhorpe Road, near the new 6 properties.

18. Correspondence Received

- a. A gravestone within the cemetery has been 'vandalised'. A lady whose parents gravestone it is, has asked if she could place CCTV nearby to gain evidence for the Police. The Chairman has spoken to her about this.
- b. A resident near Rob Hall corner, is concerned with a big tree near their property. Cllr A. Mellen is trying to assist with who takes responsibility for this.
- c. Since the recent newsletter, 2 people, new in the village have offered to help with adopting a section of the village to litter pick.
- d. BMSDC have emailed the following - Our operative has found a number of bins throughout the district that are obscured or partially obscured due to vegetation growth. Could we please ask you to check bins in your parish and complete vegetation clearance as required

19. Finance

- a. Clerk's report
- b. Requests for payment as listed below and to review matters coming forth.
E:on - £12.79 & £14.83 – July's & August bill paid via DD
THE PARISH NOTICE BOARD COMPANY - £12.00 – additional keys for the notice board.
PKF Littlejohn LLP - £240.00 – External auditor's limited assurance review of Annual Governance & Accountability 2020-2021.

20. Planning

- a. To consider applications.
DC/21/04872 - Application under S73a for removal or variation of conditions following grant of planning permission DC/18/01302 dated 22/05/2018 for conversion of outbuilding to dwelling utilising existing vehicular access. Town and Country Planning 1990. To vary (Condition 2 - Approved Plans and Documents) as per COT064 P3 REV F drawing received 02/09/2021.
- b. Decisions & to consider planning matters coming forth.
GRANTED – DC/21/03833 - Full Planning Application - Erection of 1No detached dwelling and double cart-lodge building with storage above. Larjay View, Station Road, Finningham, Suffolk IP14 4TH.
GRANTED – DC/21/03512 - Erection of single storey extension (following demolition of conservatory). Talbot Cottage, Gislingham Road, Finningham, Suffolk IP14 4HZ

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

21. Questions to Chairman

22. Items to be discussed at the next meeting and included in the October'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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