

Tibenham Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Meeting Room, Tibenham Community Hall on **Wednesday, 10th July 2019 at 7.30pm**

Councillors present: Gareth Roderick-Jones (Chairman), David Timson (Vice Chairman), Gemma Lambert, Alan Harris, Auriel Mepham, Caroline Knight

In attendance: Marianne Purdy (Parish Clerk), County Councillor Spratt, District Councillor Easter, Mick Loftus (Saffron), Sam Watts (Saffron), 3 members of the public.

1. Public Forum and Saffron Housing

Saffron Housing updated the meeting with regards a possible development within Tibenham for shared ownership housing. The site West of The Greyhound had been dismissed by Saffron due to South Norfolk planners' comments stating "it would not be a site they would support". Plans were circulated with a further proposed site situated opposite The Greyhound. A full discussion was held and it was stated by the Parish Council that they would not support this site.

2. Co-Opt Councillor

Caroline Knight was co-opted onto the Parish Council and a Declaration of Office form signed.

3. County Councillor and District Councillor Reports

County Councillor Spratt reported that new build had brought in an extra 7.5 million pounds from last year. Cllr Spratt is on the task and finish group for global warming; electric cars for the general family should be out in 2020; hoping to plant 10,000 trees a year from 2020; Hempsall roundabout should be completed by September 2019.

District Councillor Easter introduced himself to the Parish Council and explained his role and responsibilities within the District Council.

4. Apologies for Absence

None.

5. Declarations of Interest

None.

6. Approval and signature of Minutes and any matters arising

The minutes of the meeting 8th May 2019 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record without amendment. There were no matters arising.

7. Clerk's Report

The clerk reported she was still awaiting a quote for replacement of lettering on the War Memorial – Chair to attend the company in person. Highways – Diss Road (Mill Road junction to bridge) to be surface dressed Summer 2020; Long Row – refusal to place chevrons near bends; light on property on Diss Road to be investigated. Internal Audit of accounts has been completed – accounts are available on the website; Rangers visit – verges to be cut at junctions: Mill Road/Diss Road, Diss Road/Long Row, Cherry Tree Road/Long Row; clear gulley in The Street.

8. Planning

No objections to any of planning applications listed below.

2019/1232	N & R Autos	Single storey extension and associated alterations to existing MOT and workshop building
2019/1253	Sycamore Farm, Pristow Green Lane	Relocate ground floor and first floor internal doorways to new openings and block up existing. Install stud partition wall on first floor
2019/1323	1 Manor Farm Bungalows, Diss Rd	Formation of 3m wide access to existing dwelling

9. Defibrillator

The current defibrillator was purchased in 2013 and is warranted for 7 years and could last over 12 years. It would cost around £850 + VAT + Delivery to replace. Defibrillator to be discussed annually.

10. Parish Partnership Scheme

The Parish Council discussed the Scheme – item to be placed on next agenda.

11. Financial Regulations Policy

The Parish Council reviewed the Policy and agreed the suggested amendments. Amendments proposed by Cllr Timson; seconded by Cllr Harris.

12. Finances

Finances – as at 5th July 2019 **Savings Account: £5850.39 Current Account: £2767.16**

The Parish Council authorised payment of the invoices listed below. Proposed by Cllr Roderick-Jones, seconded by Cllr Mephram.

Miss M Purdy	Clerk's wages x 2 months	£255.00
SLCC – Society of Local Council Clerks	Subscription	£63.00
Tibenham Community Hall	Room hire – 2018	£65.00

13. Drag racing at Tibenham Airfield

The clerk had received some complaints regarding the noise from the airfield on the day of the drag racing.

14. Joint Newsletter

To be placed on the Agenda for the September meeting.

15. Fundraising

Deferred until receipt of quote for War Memorial.

16. Gritting routes – Surface Dressing

Diss Road is not part of the gritting route; the school bus travels along this road. Clerk to contact Highways regarding this.

17. Internet issues

Concerns raised about the speed of the internet in parts of Tibenham. Residents had received information regarding a meeting to be held on 1st August, 7:30pm at Tibenham Community Hall from County Broadband.

18. General correspondence

Letter received from Scotty's Little Soldiers requesting a donation.

All further email correspondence received had been forwarded to Councillors prior to the meeting. No action required on any correspondence.

19. Community Hall update

Cllr Timson, in his role as Chair of the Community Hall, updated the Parish Council: currently looking for committee members; looking for assistance for the TFT to create a fete for the village by the village; report on playground equipment by ROSPA – one set of swings high risk, others are life expired.

20. Items for next Agenda/Date of next meeting

Next meeting **Wednesday, 11th September 2019 at 7:30pm**

Items: community car, litter picking.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9:25pm