Tibenham Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the meeting room, Tibenham Community Hall on Wednesday, 28th September 2022 at 7.30pm

Councillors present: Gareth Roderick-Jones (Chairman), David Timson (Vice Chairman), Caroline Knight, Gemma Lambert, Leah Smith.

In attendance: Tony Wainwright (Parish Clerk) County Cllr Barry Duffin

Apologies: District Cllr James Easter

1. Public Participation.

A number of residents attended in order to voice their concerns regarding the expansive planning proposals at the Greyhound. Major concerns were voiced of the size and number of proposed lodges, lack of drainage and flooding considerations, removal of hedgerows and trees, and inadequate parking. The Chair advised that to the best of his knowledge the proposals as they currently stand are to be turned down by S.Norfolk planning. However, he advised all residents concerned to submit objections themselves to S.Norfolk Planning, and copy District Cllr Easter on their emails, to get more attention.

2. Council Vacancies.

No persons presented themselves for selection.

3. reports from:

a. County Councillor.

COVID cases are on the increase, and for those eligible both flu and Covid jabs are available at the same time. The Western link road around Norwich has been further set with delays, and the Airport industrial estate has been sold by the council.

b. District Councillor.

There is a huge backlog in planning applications.

4. Apologies for absence

District Cllr James Easter.

- 5. Minutes of meeting 13th July 2022 approved. No matters arising.
- 6. Declarations of Interest. None.
- 7. Planning applications.

2022/1423, No matters arising.

2022/1389, No matters arising.

2022/1314, 2022/1834. 1834 was submitted just prior to the meeting and embellishes 1314. The application does not cover drainage and flooding aspects, and includes a site plan which is radically different from proposed earlier. Trees have been or are scheduled for removal without permission. An objection will be raised.

2022/1313, No matters arising.

2022/1272, No matters arising.

8. War Memorial.

It was agreed that the quote obtained from Brett & Sons of Thetford was very reasonable and to proceed with it directly rather than to progress a grant from the War Memorials Trust. Such a grant process would likely be very long winded and had no certainty of success. Hopefully the required funds can be allocated from CIL money, but this would be confirmed. The clerk will liaise with Bretts to progress.

9. Highways vehicles driving through the village.

The vice chair agreed to contact Highways about this, and other highways matters of concern.

10. Speed limits in Cherry Tree Lane and Diss Road.

The vice chair agreed to contact Highways about this, and other highways matters of concern.

11. Repainting the Telephone kiosk.

The vice chair would pursue finding a contractor for the work.

12. Correspondence.

Emails have been received from the owner of land adjacent to the south of the Hall, requesting access in order to erect a more substantial fence along that boundary. No objections were raised and the clerk will respond.

13. Benches for the village.

The Chair has submitted forms to Highways for construction of a bench at the junction of FP 28 and FP 30.

14. Annual Salary review.

It was agreed to raise the clerk's salary to SCP level 10 of the NALC pay scales 2021 - 2022. The clerk will advise Newmans of this.

15. Planning permission for a storage unit at the Hall.

No issues were raised, and the clerk will advise the Hall committee.

16. Broadband connection to the Hall.

No issues were raised, and the clerk will advise the Hall committee.

17. Internal audit.

This has now been completed and will be published on the website.

- 18. Finance.
 - Payment to clerk, for wages and expenses, £250.57, was agreed
 - Payment to Julian Scott, for electrical connection of the Defibrillator, £166.68, was agreed.
- 19. Items for the next Agenda.
 - To discuss CIL monies.
 - To discuss highways issues.
- 20. To confirm the date of the next meeting: 9th November 2022 7:30pm.

The chairman closed the meeting at 9.30 pm.

Date:	Signed: