

Tibenhams Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the meeting room, Tibenhams Community Hall on **Wednesday, 12th July 2023 at 7.30pm**

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

In attendance: Tony Wainwright (Parish Clerk). District Cllr James Easter

1. Public Participation.

There was some concern expressed that the current drainage works would not address the ongoing risk of flooding in the village. The Chair of the Hall committee, Tracey Lilly, gave her report of Hall activities. The scheduled construction dates for the new footpath are 21st to 23rd August. There is an abandoned car on the car park, which is being looked into. A request was made for the annual maintenance payment to the Hall.

2. Council Vacancies.

No persons presented themselves for selection.

3. reports from:

a. District Councillor.

District Cllr Easter is working on the various concerns and issues raised with the rollout of County Broadband in the area. The swimming pool in Diss is scheduled to be closed for renovation for six months next year.

4. Apologies for absence. Cllr Leah Smith, County Cllr Alison Thomas.

5. Declarations of Interest on the Agenda.

Cllr Timson declared an interest in Planning Application 2023/1151.

6. Minutes of meeting 10th May 2023 approved. Item 11, the Greyhound, was amended to reflect that the council would continue to monitor developments.

7. Planning applications.

2023/1668, No matters arising.

2023/1248, No matters arising.

2023/1249, Councillors will review this and respond in due course.

2023/1151, No matters arising.

8. Greyhound Planning Issues.

The development is continually being monitored by the council. We all look forward to the re-opening later this year.

9. A village sign.

This is being progressed.

10. The broadwalk at Slough Lane.

Some costings have been produced by Norfolk rambles. To extend the broadwalk 6m east and 3m toward the road would cost about £500. In addition weldmesh would be required at £3.40 per metre, plus stone ballast. It is being progressed.

11. A new road sign for the village.

Highways have responded that they are actively progressing a design for this.

12. Correspondence received.

- Overgrown Hedge. The Hall is responsible for this and will liaise with the writer to organise trimming.
- National Grid Pylon proposals. The council will draft a letter to appropriate parties to apply pressure to alter the National Grid's plans.
- Footpaths. The annual cutting of the paths has not happened this year for reasons that are unclear. It will be attempted to organise cuts locally.

13. The War Memorial.

There are several letters still needing attention. Bretts will be requested to address this prior to settlement.

14. Telephone Box.

Will be progressed

15. Future infrastructure projects.

An exploratory email will be drafted as to how the river Tas might be cleared of obstructions, to alleviate flood risk, and to enhance the environment.

16. Finance.

- Payment to clerk, £296.71, for wages and expenses was agreed.
- Payment to clerk, £39.90, for Land Registry docs, was agreed.
- Payment to HMRC, £95.60, for PAYE, was agreed.
- Payment to Heartbeat Trust, £73.14, was agreed.

17. Items for the next Agenda..

To hire a local handyman for adhoc work.

18. To confirm the date of the next meeting:

13th Sept 2023 7:30pm.

The chairman closed the meeting at 9.15 pm.

Date:

Signed: