GIMINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING

Elaine Pugh - Clerk to Council

<u>Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting</u> <u>Monday 17th January 2022 - 7.30pm at Gimingham Village Hall</u>

Present: Ady Phillips (Chair), Colin Page, Alan Gotts

and Colin Hart

Others: Ed Maxfield - NCC (partial) and 2 members of the public

1. To receive declaration of interest in items on the Agenda and Pecuniary interest forms to be approved if necessary

There were no declarations or interest forms to be approved.

2. To consider apologies for absence

Apologies had been received in advance from Dan Gotts - personal - these were accepted by the Council.

- 3. To approve Ordinary Parish Council Minutes 7th November 2021 These were approved and it was resolved they were signed by the Chair.
- 4. Resolution to adjourn the meeting for public participation Police, North Norfolk District and County Councillor Reports. It was resolved that the meeting be opened to the public.

A member of the public spoke about the difficulties they were having with County Broadband and their selling activities in the village. The question was asked "why are the Council endorsing County Broadband"? This matter was discussed at length and it was highlighted that other members of the community had reason to complain directly to others within the parish. The Chair informed that the Council had not endorsed County Broadband however had agreed to support the quest for Fibre Broadband in the parish. This service will be a requirement of life in the future and there was no one else able/willing to provide this service to the whole village. Although it was noted that BT had improved the services of fibre broadband to selected parts of the village. The Clerk read out the letter of "awareness" supplied to County Broadband; this purely summarised the current situation along with the benefits of installing the County Broadband product. It was up to each individual household to make their own decisions. This was to be further discussed at Agenda item 7.

It was resolved to close the meeting to the public.

- 5. To review and consider Planning if received No new planning had been received by the Council.
- 6. Monthly updates and for information only:
 - 6.1 SAM 2 Unit Bluetooth

The figures had been downloaded from the location of Gimingham Pond and the information extracted was as follows:

27.09.21 - 17.01.22 -

38,198 vehicles moved through the village in one direction.

Average speed was 23.65mph

85th percentile vehicles was 30.9

The highest speed recorded was one vehicle at 50mph 28.09.21 at 22.50. Concern was raised that pedestrians were not "safe" in Gimingham and suggested a "pedestrian lane" be created where people could walk. This would need further investigation to assess if this was an idea which Highways would consider.

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6.2 Caretaker additional jobs

There were no additional jobs at this time.

Allotments - invoices sent out - payments banked and the reconciliation would be completed. At the present time all were rented out.

6.4 Queen's Jubilee - June 2022

The village hall had to met to discuss this and this would be an Agenda item for February 2022.

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6.5 Quantity Surveyor - Gimingham Village Hall

The Clerk had been in contact with the QS who had informed that there was some final measuring to be completed. Builders were being profiled and it was hoped that tender documents would be going out imminently.

As Ed Maxfield had joined the meeting it was resolved that it be opened to the public:

Highways

6.6 Village drainage - Ed Maxfield

Meetings had been held in Gimingham with the flooding team at NCC and this was being discussed with the Highways Engineer. Ed would continue to keep reminding NCC to endeavour to resolve this matter in some way. There were other areas were flooding occurred and this was primarily down to water escaping from the fields and cascading down to the lower areas of the village. In order to deal with this matter there needed to be clear photographic and dated evidence of dates and the problems caused.

6.7 Pull ins along Gimingham/Trimingham Road

The costs involved had been received by the Parish Council. Each pull in would cost approximately £5,000 and in total there were 6. The only way in which this could be considered is if the Parish Council applied via the NCC Parish Partnership Scheme. Members considered that the costs were not "value for money" and that there were other more important items to fund. It was agreed that this item be removed from the Agenda.

7. To agree final letter content with regard to County Broadband

The Clerk read out sections of the letter which had previously agreed for County Broadband to use to promote their company within the village. Upon reflection and the comments made at Agenda item 4 - members considered that the letter be rescinded as it could be seen as the Parish Council supporting a private business. It was also viewed as unnecessary as the company had already completed their door to door sales/promotion activity. The Clerk would contact County Broadband directly.

8. To consider and review correspondence

Paul Taylor - sourcing builders	Noted
Heather Lee - acknowledgement of donation for Church	Noted
Play Inspection company - booking for 2022	Noted
Ed Maxfield's report - December/January - forwarded	Noted
Ed Maxfield - costs for pull ins - forwarded	Discussed
Ed Maxfield - Drainage - Trunch to North Walsham	Noted
Poppyland - community radio	Noted
NCC Highways - inspection of village	Noted
Ed Maxfield - visit to village re drainage	Discussed
Norfolk Police - December 2021 - report - forwarded	Noted
NNDC - Norfolk Local Plan Newsletter forwarded	Feb Agenda
Norfolk CAB - request for donation	Feb Agenda
NCC - Duck sign reference 199595	Monitor
NNDC - Public Space reviews - dog restrictions	Noted
NNDC - Care Academy	Noted

9. To consider Financial Matters9.1 To approve payments

Payee	Amount
Countrystyle recycling	10.80
Elaine Pugh	275.90
HMRC	38.60
CT Baker	16.50
Total cheques to be paid	341.80

Resolved to approve enbloc.

10. To Receive Reports from Councillors and items for the next Agenda

It was noted that the veneer of the village hall floor had slightly lifted at the rear of the hall. Upon inspection by members it was considered that this did not represent a major hazard. However, remedial action as a preventative step would be taken by the Village Hall Committee to secure the veneer so that the surface would lay flatter and the floor would be monitored and reviewed. The use of the hall is at a minimal level and the village hall committee and Council were mindful that any further deterioration could mean the closure of the hall in the longer term.

Pot holes - Back Mundesely Road and on Bend opposite the Church - the Clerk would report these.

11. To confirm date of the next Meeting
Gimingham Ordinary Parish Council Meeting Monday 21st February 2022 - Gimingham Village Hall @ 7.30pm

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 8.45pm.

ADY PHILLIPS - CHAIR

21st February 2022