

INGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman: Mr Adrian Dawson

Clerk: Mr J Milward

Jusanna, the Street, Ingham

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Ingham Parish Council held on 25th July 2018 in St Bartholomew's Church, Ingham

Present: Clr A Dawson (Chair), Clr E Dawson, Clr L Tibbert, Clr L Anslow, Clr Kovacic-Graham, Clr P Scase, Clr Rebecca Hopfensperger (SCC), Clr Susan Glossop (St Eds BC), John Milward (Clerk), and 7 members of the public.

Co-option on to Council One application had been received to fill the vacancy on the parish council. Proposed by Clr Anslow and seconded by Clr A Dawson that Mr Kevin Pryke be co-opted to fill this vacancy. Carried unanimously.

Public Question Time A member of the public queried why the subject of a pedestrian crossing was being omitted from future agendas and felt that it should always be an ongoing item. The chairman explained that it was not being removed indefinitely and how it would be introduced as an item to be discussed as and when circumstances changed. This will undoubtedly be the case when the Playmeadow is up and running. The question was also asked as to why the Playmeadow was on the eastern side The Street when most residents lived on the western side. Explained that this was the only piece of land available. Fund raising will become an important part of getting all the things needed and this is already in hand. What is very important is that there is a need for the public to become more involved and those present agreed to help. The question was asked as to whether the grass path on the western side of the A134 between the Cadogan crossroad and the new development was the responsibility of Highways. If not who would do the cutting. Rebecca agreed to check with Highways. Possible that the council's grass cutter could undertake if there is a problem. The proposed planning application for the commercial glasshouse was raised by the chairman and discussed.

County Councillors' Reports

Clr Rebecca Hopfensperger reported on the following:

- a. Letter has gone to Fuller's Mill with regard to the signage currently being used. Recommended that brown signs (similar to those used for national trust etc) be used
- b. Details of the review of the Highways Operational Plan being carried out by Mary Atherton
- c. Reported on Home School transport changes. Does not really affect our parish

Councillor Susan Glossop (Bury St Edmunds Borough Council) reported on the following:

- a. Asked council to respond to the Boundary Commission consultation pointing out that it is important to agree with the findings which leave the council in Risby ward. Clerk has responded for council but individual councilors urged to also respond.
- b. Brought attention of members to the consultation to be held with regard to proposed changes at the five ways roundabout in Mildenhall

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- c. Drew attention to consultation to be held with regard to leadership of the new West Suffolk Council – whether there should be a mayor or chairman.
- d. Much work being done now on setting up the new council

Parish Council Agenda

1. Apologies Nil

2. Declaration of Interest The chairman gave members the opportunity to declare any interest in items on the agenda. None were declared.

3. Dispensations Nil required

4. Minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd May 2018 Proposed by Clr Scase and seconded by Clr Anslow that the minutes be accepted as a true record. Agreed unanimously.

5. Progress Reports

Clerk's report

a. Grass cutting quote for Playmeadow. Contractor unable to give quote until area marked out. Clerk to contact again once area fenced off.

b. Update on mobile phone network sites in churches. Meeting with Matthew Hancock had taken place who agreed to chase up on outstanding programme. Unfortunately he has now moved to Health Minister but secretary confirmed that position had been discussed with his replacement and it is hoped that new legislation will see work being carried out.

Working Party Report

Working party had met on 12th July 2018 and discussed action required in connection with the play meadow. Letters were being produced to go out to local firms. It had also been found out that before any grants can be applied for, the necessary planning permission had to be obtained. Also need to get permission from the PCC for parking and using the churchyard as a throughway to the Playmeadow. Meeting scheduled for end of August should see full plan completed. In the meantime clerk will write to PCC with regard to parking and access.

6. Items for debate and decision Nil

7. Finance

- a. Financial transactions between 1st April 2018 and 30th June 2018 were presented to the council.

It included the VAT refund of £754.22

Proposed by Clr Anslow and Seconded by Clr Kovacic-Graham that the figures be accepted as a true record. Passed unanimously

b. The following expenditure was approved. HMRC (£75), Clerk Wages (£300), Clerk Expenses (£26.26), Sue Constable (Plants £18.15).

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8. **Planning** Application number DC/18/1039/FUL – Commercial Glasshouse. No objections raised but council has reservations with regard to new traffic entrance/exit on to the A134. It was also noted that with regard to visual impact the diagram shows a height of some 8 meters whilst in fact there are two towers each with a height of 12 meters which have not been included. It was also noted that the visual impact would be of more concern to residents of Culford.

9. **Clerk's report on Urgent Decisions since the last meeting** Nil

10 Correspondence for information

a. Letter from Suffolk Preservation Society saying that they were raising their annual subscription from £20 to £30. It was agreed that the council should cease their subscription.

b. Letter from our MP asking for publication of his details on notice board/web site.

11. Councillors' reports and items for future agenda

a. Telephone Kiosk. The defibrillator will be removed and refitted as agreed but a fuse box is required. Transfer will be completed when the fuse box is fitted.

Meeting closed at 8.45pm. Next meeting 25th September 2018

Chairman's Signature