

HONINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Council meeting on Wednesday 11th August 2021, 7.00pm at Honingham Village Hall

Cllrs present:

David Bishop – Chair (DB), Linda Human (LH) – Vice Chair, Roger Human (RH), Sam Steggles (SS), Tony Roberts (TR)

Cllrs absent:

Richard Kirkham (RK), Michael Eales (ME), Cllr Peter Bulman (PB), Cllr Greg Peck (GP)

Other:

Jordana Wheeler (Clerk), 4 members of the public were present.

1. To receive apologies for absence
 - 1.1. Apologies were received and accepted from RK and ME.
2. To receive any Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda and consider any requests for dispensation
 - 2.1. LH and RH declared an interest in item 7.1. LH and RH will not take part in the discussion or any vote.
3. To approve the minutes of the Council meeting held on 28th July 2021
 - 3.1. The minutes of the meeting held on 28th June 2021 were received and read by Councillors prior to the meeting. The Council **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes.
4. Opportunity for Public Participation
 - 4.1 Himalayan balsam is growing along the river Tud, several residents who live next to the river have reported it. Some have removed it and plan to burn the plants. It is an invasive plant, not native to the UK. It has also been reported to the Environment Agency by a resident. TR offered to assist any resident who may have it growing on their property who is not able to remove it. It must not be put in the brown recycling bin or on a compost pile. The Council will publish information on Himalayan Balsam on the website to raise awareness with residents.
5. To report on progress of matters arising from previous meetings – Information only
 - 5.1. The overgrown footpath on the A47 has been reported to Highways England. Maintenance is due to take place in September.
 - 5.2. The replacement battery and pads have been installed in the defibrillator and it is now fully working again.
 - 5.3. The bowls club water supply was not disconnected on Thursday 29th July. The Clerk is chasing this again.
6. Finance - To review and approve the bank reconciliation for July 2021 and approve payments for the following:
The Council reviewed the bank reconciliation, no questions were raised. The Council **RESOLVED** to approve the payments.

Draft minutes until approved at the Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 8th September 2021
Chairman Signature: _____ Date: _____

	Description	Payment Type/Cheque Number	amount
6.1	Safelincs Ltd – Replacement defibrillator pads	BACS	£168.59
6.2	Jordana Wheeler – Expenses July 2021	BACS	£23.03

7. To consider a response to the following planning applications;
- 7.1. Application 20211240 – Two storey & single storey rear extensions, Rose Cottage, 22 The Street, Honingham
 TR noted other properties on the same road had already extended their properties and therefore the application should be considered in a similar approach. TR would prefer residents were allowed to extend and stay in the village, remaining part of the community. SS supported this approach unless there were exceptional circumstances surrounding an application. DB noted objections submitted from neighbours and raised concerns about the risk of flooding due to the property being next to the river Tud. The Council **RESOLVED** they had no objections to application 20211240.
- 7.2. Application 20211335 – New access road, Food Enterprise Park, Colmans Close, Honingham
 The proposed road will allow access to both Honingham Thorpe Farm and the Food Enterprise Park. The application was unclear if the road would be a completely private road following completion. TR noted the road would help with bringing employment to the area.
 Under the LDO for the Food Enterprise Park Blind Lane should be closed. Councillors felt it was unclear exactly where along Blind Lane the new road would connect to and what would happen to the remaining section of Blind Lane which is due to be closed. Further details on how the new access road will link to the Food Enterprise Park were requested to enable the Council to fully consider the application.
 Concerns were also raised about the new access road providing a further connection to Taverham Road following the dualling of the A47 and the impact this will have on traffic on Taverham Road.
ACTION – Clerk to request further clarification on the application and request an extension to respond.
8. Correspondance
- 8.1. Norfolk Strategic Flood Alliance – A new leaflet has been produced with information on what to do in the instance if a flood. There is also a new contact number in the case of a flood emergency. A copy is available on the Council website and leaflets are also due to be delivered to all households.
9. Opportunity for public participation
- 9.1. A resident noted they did not wish to see an increase in traffic through the village as an impact of the dualled A47.
10. To confirm details of the next meeting
- 10.1. The next Parish Council meeting will take place at Honingham village hall on Wednesday 8th September 2021, 7.00pm. The press and public are welcome to attend.
- The public meeting closed at 7.30pm.