

HONINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting on
Wednesday 8th November 2023,
7:00pm at Honingham Village Hall

Present:

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| Ryan Harvey (Chair) | RHa | Stacey Bertram (Vice-Chair) | SB | Rebecca Holden | RHo |
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| Cllr Peter Bulman | PB | Cllr Greg Peck | GP | | |
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In Attendance:

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| Fiona Johnston – Clerk | FJ | PC Brett Peyton | Members of the public | 6 |
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Apologies:

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| June Carter | JC | | | |
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| 1. | To receive apologies for absence | |
| 1.1 | Apologies were received from June Carter. | |
| 2. | To receive declarations of interest in items on the agenda and requests for dispensation | |
| 2.1 | There were no declarations of interest. | |
| 3. | To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting dated 11th October 2023 | |
| 3.1 | The minutes of the meeting held on 11 th October 2023 were considered and approved. The minutes were signed by the Chair. | |
| 4. | To report on matters arising – information only | |
| 4.1 | A parishioner had requested use of the Sam2Speed cameras in Taverham Lane, Honingham. It transpires this location sits within a derestricted area; Sam2Speed cameras can only be used in a 30mph zone. | |
| 4.2 | The Chair has attended training courtesy of Norfolk Parish & Training Support. | |
| 4.3 | A parishioner has removed the weathervane from The Parish Pump and has agreed to repair this. The post that it sits on is rotten and will need to be replaced. The Chair advised this could be repaired. | |
| 4.4 | The council have queried the amount of an invoice in respect of recent fencing works. This does not correlate with the original quote. | FJ |
| 5. | To receive reports from District and County Councillors (where applicable) | |
| 5.1 | Cllr Bulman kindly offered up to £1000 from his members' fund to Honingham Parish Council. Cllr Peck advised he also had funds available (to be shared between 21 parishes) which could be used to help fund Highways or Environmental projects in the village. The Council agreed to consider how they could make best use of these generous offers. | |
| 5.2 | Cllr Peck explained funding from Central Government was expected to fund a large percentage of costs to build the Norwich Western Link. | |

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| | A revised cost estimate for the scheme is expected in December and cabinet need to agree to lodge a planning application. It is hoped funds which will be reallocated following the scrapping of the HS2 will help to cover any differential in the costs. It should be noted the scheme is subject to a legal challenge, expected in January 2024. | |
| 5.3 | Cllr Peck advised Norfolk County Council were currently working on a budget for 2024-25 and hoping to balance the books. | |
| 5.4 | Cllr Peck advised the Cabinet would be considering an agreement called the County Deal, at a meeting in December. A County Deal would offer the opportunity for Norfolk to gain new powers and funding from Central Government. | |
| 6. | Finance - To review the bank reconciliation for 27th October 2023 and approve payments for the following: | |
| 6.1 | Cllrs reviewed and approved unanimously the bank reconciliations for the period ending 27 th October 2023. | |
| 6.1.1 | Fiona Johnston, Salary & Expenses August, £342.85. Approved unanimously. | |
| 6.2 | Internal audit control check – Rebecca Holden has carried out an internal audit control check. No issues were found. | |
| 6.3 | CIL Funds – Current available funds were confirmed as £24032 | |
| 7. | To receive an update re progress of the development of the Bowling Green / Play Area. | |
| 7.1 | Councillors have been drafting provisional plans for positioning of new equipment. | |
| 7.2 | The wall between the bowls green and play area will be removed on 18 th November. | |
| 8. | To consider Village maintenance issues for the Working Party | |
| 8.1 | The Chair agreed to publish a list of the issues previously raised as requiring maintenance via social media sites and invited parishioners to contact the council with any additional items. | RH |
| 9. | Opportunity for Public participation | |
| 9.1 | The poor condition of the highways in the village was raised as an issue. The Chair agreed to furnish the clerk with the exact locations (What3words) of each of the problem areas. Cllr Peck, who had previously been assured the matters had been resolved, agreed to take the matter up with the Highways officer to have the cases reinstated. | FJ |
| 10. | To receive an update on correspondence received and to discuss / agree any required responses | |
| 10.1 | Councillors had been asked to consider a reduction in the speed limit around the junction of Mattishall Road / Colton Lane. Councillors were advised this would require police intervention and were asked to provide the exact location to PC Peyton (in attendance). | FJ |
| 10.2 | The Council resolved there would be no need to make representations re The Notice of Consultation on the Greater Norwich Local Plan Proposed Main Modifications. | |
| 10.3 | PC Brett Peyton attended to advise parishioners of the priorities of Police Connect. He explained Honingham was in an area designated as the lowest crime area in Norfolk. Councillors explained there had been several instances of inconsiderate parking in the village and PC Peyton advised parishioners to contact the police to report persistent or dangerous examples. Posters highlighting the consequences of inconsiderate parking were left with the clerk. | |

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| 10.4 | Premises Licence Application – Farmyard Frozen Ltd, Unit 8, Broadland Food Enterprise Park. There were no objections from councillors. | |
| 12. | To confirm details of the next meeting. | |
| 12.1 | Wednesday 13 th December 2023 at 7:00pm at The Village Hall | |

The meeting closed at 19:50

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