

Minutes of the Bintree Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 1st October at 7.00 p.m. in St. Swithuns Church, Bintree

Councillors Present:- Cllr R Tooke, Cllr G Holmes, Cllr C Bone and Cllr J Hoskins

Other Members Present: - Mrs G Hubbard, Clerk

1. Welcome by the Chairman and to consider accepting apologies for absence.

Cllr Tooke welcomed those present to the meeting and thanked them for attending. There were apologies for absence received from Cllr C Langford and these were accepted.

2. To receive declarations of interest and consideration of any requests for dispensation.

None were received.

3. To confirm and accept the minutes of the meeting held on 25th July 2024.

The minutes had been circulated. Cllr Hoskins proposed the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting, seconded by Cllr Bone and carried.

4. To discuss any matters arising from the minutes of July (not on the agenda).

There were no matters arising.

Public Participation Period

Cllr Tooke explained that she is moving and will not be at the next meeting. She thanked her fellow Parish Councillors for the support she had received from them during her time on the Parish Council. She handed over some photos she had in her possession relating to the Queen's Jubilee and also some historical photos of Bintree village. Cllr Holmes will investigate whether they can be passed onto someone connected with Foulsham Archives,

5. To discuss any correspondence received.

There was no correspondence to discuss.

6. To authorise any necessary Financial Payments.

Cllr Tooke proposed the following financial transactions be authorised for payment, seconded by Cllr Hoskins and carried:-

Clerk's net salary for August – Sept. £389.52
HMRC Tax for August and Sept. £97.20

Clerk's expenses Aug. - Sept. ££49.33

7. To receive an update on the grass cutting by Leeroy's Services.

The Parish Council thought it was a good idea to get some quotes for next year. Quotes will be sought from Leeroy Services, Norse and possibly another. The Clerk will contact some other Parish Councils to find out who they use. The first cut is to be done in March/April and the last cut in October.

8. To discuss any Planning Issues,

3PL/2024/0406/HOU 2 Mill Road, proposed erection of wooden double garage 5.486m x 4.572m x 3.200m. Permission received for this application.

3PL/2024/0571/F The Chapel, County School proposed self-build erection of 1 dwelling on land associated with The Chapel. This application was Refused permission

3PL/2024/0725/F Algys Farm Shop, Billingford Road, extension to existing car parking area to provide overflow and seasonal parking, including additional landscaping to boundary.

3PL/2024/0713/VAR Algys Farm Shop, Billingford Road, variation of conditions nos. 2, 3 and 5 on 3PL/2020/0606/VAR To revise the roof over the existing office building. Currently this is shown as a hip but due to the design of the box gutter a gable finish is proposed. This application is to cover this revision only. The Parish Council had no comment to make on this.

9. To receive an update on the defibrillator project – training.

Nothing further has happened so far where this is concerned. At the moment no training has been arranged. Cllr Hoskins asked about whether the defibrillator is regularly checked and Cllr Tooke assured him that Cllr Langford does this and forwards the information onto the Community Heartbeat organisation

10. To discuss Highways Matters

a. To gather any current concerns with highways around the village.

There is a resurfacing problem at Cubitts Close, on the junction. The under gravel is loose and the stones are protruding. There is still a large pot hole to be dealt with.

b. To discuss Road Sweeping solution for The Street.

Cllr Bone is still chasing Serco regarding the road sweeping and not informing the residents, so they can move their cars and allow the job to be done as best as it can.

11. To discuss footpaths.

Cllr Bone has made contact with Highways regarding getting the Highways Rangers to come out to the village to do some work. They say they will come but in reality, they do not bother.

12. To discuss the grass cutting situation.

This has already been discussed.

13. To discuss the necessity to replace Cllr Tooke and the action the Clerk will take.

The Clerk will inform Breckland Council of Cllr Tooke's departure and she will deal with the paperwork when she receives it.

14. To discuss any ideas regarding how to recruit some more Parish Councillors.

It was felt that a Coffee Morning would be a good idea to try to recruit more members as people could be spoken to about the Parish Council. They will try to persuade people to join. A notice can be put on the notice board and the website.



15. To discuss Cllr Tooke's departure from the Parish Council.

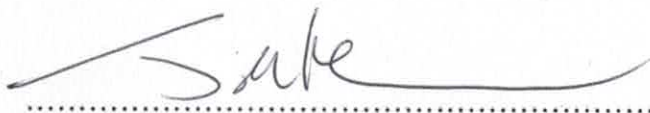
Cllr Tooke reported that this definitely her last meeting with the Parish Council. The other Parish Councillors present thanked her for her hard work, whilst serving on the Parish Council.

16. To receive items for the next agenda.

To set the precept for 2025 – 2026

17. To agree date and time of next Parish Council meeting.

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 3rd December at 7.00 p.m. in St. Swithuns Church, Bintree. The following meeting will There being no further business to discuss, Cllr Tooke declared the meeting closed at 8.25 p.m. and thanked everyone for their attendance.



Chairman

3-12-2024
Date