



Minutes of Gillingham Parish Council Meeting 5th July 2022

Councillors Present: Cllrs C. Hoare, B. Warman, J. Ward, and S. Webber

Also Present: Clerk.

1. **Welcome:** The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. **Apologies:** Apologies were received from Cllr Rymer. The Council had not heard from Cllr Brown.
There were 6 members of the public recorded.
3. **Declaration of Interests:** No additional declaration was recorded.
4. **Parish Ten - parishioners slot.**
It was mentioned that there has been some graffiti on the new houses. Some of the trees have been uprooted along the footpath to McDonalds, KFC and Starbucks. There had also been a rubbish bin vandalised.
5. **To approve the minutes of 7th June 2022:** Minutes of the 7th June 2022 were RESOLVED as being an accurate record.
6. **To discuss and agree the issues with Barclays:** There is now a new mandate at Barclays to remove non active Councilor's and Clerk and add the new Clerk and Cllr Webber to the Mandate. The Parish Council may re-visit the motion of moving banks. However, we will let the dust settle for a few months.
7. **To discuss the outstanding matters arising from last meeting:**
 - **Ploughed footpath, needs to be reinstated:** A member of the public walked this area. The Maize is completely passable. Most crops will be gone soon and the issue then resolved. This is a problem with all footpaths that go across farmers fields.
 - **Update on the grass cutting at the church:** The Clerk is not totally familiar with this situation. Ongoing.
 - **Arrange a meeting regarding the condition of the River Wall:** There was a lively discussion regarding the condition of the River Wall. The Clerk is trying to organise a meeting with all necessary parties to have a site visit. This is still ongoing.
8. **Village Matters – to discuss and agree.**
Discuss setting up a Sub-Committee to maintain the allotments and changing the allotment agreement? The allotment meeting was cancelled last week. We plan to have a meeting before the September 2022 Parish Council meeting to discuss some ideas of re-wording the allotment agreement, and the idea of a car park.
Discuss and agree issues with the Marsh Lane footpath – The Clerk now has the contact for the Footpaths person. She will contact him and arrange a survey to be done.
Discuss the condition of the river wall – discussed above
9. **Discuss the starting of the Neighbourhood Plan and the benefits:** The Clerk will organise a presentation regarding Neighbourhood Plan and its benefits.
10. **Correspondence –** in the distribution pack. There was a discussion over a letter the Clerk received regarding bollards and barriers at the beginning of Marsh Lane. It was agreed that it was not a Parish Council problem. The letter was unsigned, the Clerk can therefore not respond.
11. **Planning Matters – None**

12. Finance:

To be approved at		5th July 2022
B Warman Clerk Norfolk Parish Training and Support	Approved last month Wages and Expenses Training S Webber Gillingham Jubilee Play Park	39.79 299.54 58.00 1000.00
Mr D Reynolds		1397.33

Statement of account

30th June 2022

Bank Balance <i>consisting off</i>	
CiL balance	£28,138.62
Reserves	£2,943.65
NS&I	£106.53
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balance left in Clerks Bank Acc	640.25
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	£31,829.05
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The Parish Council RESOLVED to pay the total payments of £1397.53

13. Any Other Business

Cllr Hoare mentioned that some of the hedges/trees needed trimming along The Street. Details will be provided to the Clerk.

A new waste bin will be needed in the Playground as the current one has no lid and is too small.

Meeting closed at 8.36pm.

No meeting in August

Date of next meeting, 6th September 2022, 7.30pm

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