

# **MINUTES OF GILLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL MONTHLY MEETING**

## **OCTOBER 2019**

A Meeting of Gillingham Parish Council was held at the village hall on Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2019, at 7:30pm.

**Parish Ten - parishioners slot.** Four members of the public attended.

Information regarding the current situation regarding the new houses on The Street was requested. The only new information was that the decision from the planning committee was now scheduled for 21<sup>st</sup> October.

Mrs Black said that she felt the date of 21<sup>st</sup> October, which had originally been chosen for the Litter Picking day, would be better put back until the leaves were off the trees and some of the undergrowth had died back making litter more obvious and to this end would like to propose Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December as the new date. Time from 9.30am to 12.00pm with festive refreshments afterwards – watch out for the posters in November.

**Apologies** – from Councillors Mrs Ward and Mrs Brown. District Cllr James Knight.

**Minutes of Last Meeting** - Minute's approved by the council, signed by Cllr Massingham.

**Declaration of interests** – none.

### **Village Matters**

There is presently an ongoing dialogue with the village hall committee regarding the walnut tree which is on village hall land and its hindrance of the view from the bus stop.

The dog bin has again come loose from the wall, Cllr Massingham said he would put it back and try to improve the fitting which is too close to the drain pipe and wall.

Thanks to John Crowfoot who has been tidying up around the war memorial.

Due to the uneven surface of the playing field the old goal net has been removed. The gate has also been bolted together.

Following discussions with the Roumanian Orthodox Church representative, the council discussed making a donation towards the grass cutting. The parish council agreed a donation of £100.00.

Cllr Warman said that he recognised that our church had struggled for support and said that any church goes in Gillingham or surrounding area would be made very welcome at Geldeston Church.

The surface on Gillingham Dam continues to deteriorate with the wavy surface getting worse. Cars have been seen swerving to the wrong side of the road to avoid the worst parts. Clerk to ask for a reinspection of the area.

The clerk has reported the footpath leading from The Boundaries to the Yarmouth Road again for cutting and also the amount of plastic coming off a field in Kings Dam.

### **Correspondence**

Non urgent correspondence in file for circulation.

### **Planning Matters**

2019/1013 22 new houses on The Street – now scheduled for 21<sup>st</sup> October for planning committee

### **Finance**

2<sup>nd</sup> half of precept - £3350.00

Clerks Tax £195.60

### **Any Other Business**

The clerk reminded the Councillors that the Remembrance Day service would be held on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November at the usual time of 3.00pm and taken by Mr John Lowrey. Anybody is welcome to attend this short service.

Cllr Warman said that he had found two 30mph signs on Kings Dam which had been obscured.

One of which was now visible but needed to speak to the hedge owner regarding the second one. There are still allotment rents outstanding – please contact the clerk as soon as possible to make payment.

**Date of Next Meeting:** Please note that the next meeting will be held on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 and will start at 7.30pm. Everybody is welcome to attend.

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