

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

## **APRIL 2019**

A Meeting of Gillingham Parish Council was held at the village hall on Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2019, at 7:30pm.

**Parish Ten - parishioners slot.** 7 members of the public attended. The chairman welcomed the public and asked for any questions. One member complained about rubbish being left on one of the allotments and asked that the clerk have a look with regard to having a word with the person renting it. Another person asked for an update on the application for the Right of Way down Marsh Lane to the river Waveney. The application has now been determined and been sent to the law department of the Community & Environmental Services, when it is returned the findings will be made public. John Crowfoot attended, being the editor of the 'Tidings' parish magazine, and thanked the parish council with helping to find distributors for it. There are still a couple of areas which do not receive copies and he is looking to rectify this if he can find a few more people to distribute them. So if you live in an area that is not currently receiving the 'Tidings' magazine please contact him or the parish clerk if you would be willing to help out. Nicholas Mead the church warden and treasurer of the Romanian Orthodox church also attended to introduce himself and said that some of the church members were hoping to join in with the litter pick in April.

**Apologies** – from Cllr June Ward.

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

**Declaration of Interests** - none

### **Village Matters**

The River Waveney Trust are hoping to work with SNC to retrieve the rubbish from the river bank, which since low tides has grown. The steps at Dunburgh have been scheduled for repair by the Norfolk Ramblers & River Waveney Trust who are joining forces to carry out the work which they have now fully funded.

Cllr Brown asked if there could be a sign put in the bus shelter to encourage people to use the litter bin outside, as there was one persistent offender who left rubbish inside.

Removal of the old parish notice board will happen shortly.

Playground Inspection is due again – the parish council will again employ David Bracey to carry it out.

The clerk has reported the uneven state of Gillingham Dam to Highways.

Also reported, is the pump in the field opposite the garages near 108 The Street, despite further emails we are still awaiting a response.

There are still allotments vacant for rent.

### **Correspondence**

Confirmation has been received from NCC that the parish council have secured 50% of the funding for a new bus shelter opposite the village hall.

### **Planning Matters**

**BA/2019/00089/COND** – Kings Dam, Gillingham – brick wall in place of hedge, variation of condition 9 – although this has been submitted before the council will need to resend their original comments.

### **Finance**

Clerks tax - £195.60

Clerks mileage expenses - £15.20

**Any Other Business**

Reminder that the Litter Pick will be on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April – see posters for details.

The chairman thanked Cllr Jane Black for her efforts of the past few years as she had said that she would not be standing in the coming election. Although leaving the council Jane said that she would still be attending as a member of the public and was happy to carry on volunteering.

There is a link on the parish council website under 'For Your Information' of a One Stop Shop for carers who require support or help.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING – PLEASE NOTE : This will be on Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> May, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month, due to the elections being held on 2<sup>nd</sup> May.**

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