

MINUTES OF GILLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL MONTHLY MEETING

FEBRUARY 2020

A Meeting of Gillingham Parish Council was held at the village hall on Wednesday, 5th February, 2020, at 7:30pm.

Parish Ten - parishioners slot. The next 'Great Litter Pick' will be on Saturday, 25th April - posters will be displayed and further details will be available in the March minutes. County Cllr Margaret Stone attended having supplied a report in advance (which can be found on the parish council website or on the notice boards).

Apologies – District Cllr James Knight.

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

Declaration of interests – none.

Village Matters

The plastic which was buried in a field on Kings Dam, and which has now resurfaced and is finding its way onto the roads, has been reported.

The new bus shelter has now been delivered and is waiting to be installed.

Waterloo Footpath order now waiting for public comment before finalising.

A request has been received regarding street naming for the new development. Due to the opposition when the planning application was originally applied for, the parish council will not be submitting any suggestions.

Correspondence

A request has been received from the village hall committee that the parish council be a Corporate Trustee for the hall. This required further investigation before any informed decision can be made.

Planning Matters

2020/0075 SNC – Homelea, Raveningham Rd, Gillingham – Conversion of existing car port/barn to granny annexe. etc - no objections raised or received.

Finance

Clerks Expenses - £55.50 – Remembrance wreath & stationery

HMRC £195.60

SNC – Dog bins - £640.80

Shelters4Less bus shelter £3372.00

Confirm that 3 of the 4 installments of Clerks tax £195.60 has been paid

Any Other Business

Norse is now in charge of on street parking and is regulating restricted parking areas. Clerk asked to contact them to see if they also regulate parking in surrounding villages.

The clerk reported that there were 15 names on the Octogenarian's gift list for Christmas 2019. This resulted in £5.82 being withdrawn from the account leaving a balance of £58.81 (this does not form part of the parish council accounts).

Mrs Jane Black is taking part in a footpaths seminar later in the month.

During the litter pick which has resulted in a substantial amount of rubbish being collected, the helpers had found that dog poo had been put into bags and flung into hedges. This is totally unacceptable anti-social behaviour. There is a suspicion of who the culprit is and when caught will be reported and prosecuted.

There are several dog bins in the village. If you have gone to the trouble of picking it up, please deposit it responsibly either in a dog bin (the parish council pay for the emptying of these) or in your black bin at home (properly bagged) as these bags will not be picked up by the litter pickers.

There are burglaries being carried out in the area so please be vigilant. Also, thefts and damage at the allotments are occurring - please keep an eye out for suspicious behaviour.

Date of Next Meeting: Please note that the next meeting will be held on Wednesday 4th March, 2020, and will start at 7.30pm. Everybody is welcome to attend.

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