

ELSING PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Elsing Parish Council meeting held in Elsing Village Hall, Church Street on Monday March 20th at 7.30 p.m.

Present: - Councilors Wallwork, Atkinson, Horncastle, Laws and Chaplin

Other Members Present: - Mrs G Hubbard, Clerk, and Dist. Cllr Gordon Bambridge

OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the Public were present.

1. To elect the Chairman for the Meeting

Cllr Laws proposed Cllr Horncastle seconded by Cllr Wallwork and carried.

2. Clerk to receive signed Declaration of Acceptance of Office Form

The Clerk received the signed Declaration of Acceptance Form.

3. Welcome by the Chair and to receive apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence received.

4. To declare any Interests re items on the agenda

No interests were declared.

5. To confirm minutes of the meeting held on January 16th.

The minutes had been circulated. Cllr Laws proposed the minutes of January 16th be accepted as true and accurate records of the meetings, seconded by Cllr Wallwork and carried.

6 To discuss any matters arising from these minutes (not on the agenda)

There were no matters to discuss.

7. To discuss any necessary Correspondence.

The Clerk had received a donation request from Norfolk Age UK. A donation will be considered at the next meeting.

Camilla Davis had sent an email to the Clerk asking if any information was available regarding available transport for residents in Elsing, apart from the Community Car Scheme. The Clerk will reply to her, wishing her good luck with this but no information is available at the moment for Elsing, but should anything become available she will be informed.

8. To discuss any Planning Issues

There were no planning issues to discuss.

9. To receive an update on the Borehole, Allotment and Nursery

The Borehole is up and running and pipes will be run along the allotments to the plots. Water pipes will go in the trenches. This is to stop people having to go far with their watering cans. The Pop-Up Pub raises money to help with this. There are a few vacant plots. They are being advertised in the magazine.

The vineyard is taking shape. Three strips have been dug and they have been weeded out. Three types of vines will be used, two red and one white. A resident is very knowledgeable regarding grapes and wine. The vines will arrive in April.

The Tree Nursery

A project exists called Trees Outside Woodland and a resident has been working hard on this project. Different organisations are coming to look at the Tree Nursery. There are probably 30 trees that could be planted on in the autumn.

10. To discuss the success of the Litter Pick

The litter pick was successful with plenty of rubbish collected.

11. To discuss the Parish Council organizing anything over the Coronation Weekend

If the Parish Council should decide to organize anything for the weekend, then a Risk Assessment will need to be carried out.

12. To discuss the success of the Bid for the Anti-Long Vehicles signs

Cllr Atkinson had been informed that the bid was successful and Norfolk County Council will be funding 50% of the cost of the signs. Cllr Horncastle proposed the Parish Council pay their 50% to Norfolk County Council and Cllr Laws seconded this proposal and it was carried. The Clerk will organize the paying of £752.63 to Norfolk County Council by BACS soon.

13. To receive a Financial Update from the Clerk

This had been circulated and no-one had any questions regarding it. Cllr Horncastle had circulated his figures.

14. To authorise any necessary payments: -

Cllr Horncastle proposed the following financial payments be authorized, seconded by Cllr Laws and carried.

Clerk's net salary for February and March £296.44
 HMRC Tax for February and March £44.60
 Clerk's expenses for February and March £42.00
 Norfolk Parish Training & Support subs £55.00
 Campaign to Protect Rural England £36.00

15. To discuss the elections

The Clerk reminded those present that if they wished to stand for election as Parish Councillors, they must deliver their papers to Breckland Council no later than 4.00 p.m. on Tuesday April 4th.

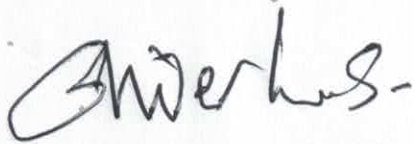
16. To receive items for the May agenda

To elect the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Parish Council
To adopt the end of year accounts

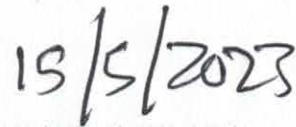
19. To confirm date and time of Annual Parish Council meeting

The date of the Annual Parish Council meeting will take place on Monday 15th May at 7.00 p.m. in the Village Hall.

As there was no further business to discuss, the Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 7.55 p.m.



Chairman



Date