

# INGWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

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## Draft minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting for Ingworth held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2017 in the Reading Room, Ingworth.

Present: A Gibbons (Chair), P Riseborough, G Chambers, Peter Riseborough, Andrew Houghton, Norman Smith (North Norfolk District Councillor), Father Paul Thomas (Parochial Church Council), Kirsty Cotgrove (Clerk)

1. Annmarie Gibbons welcomed all present and apologies were noted for Belinda Northey and Brian Nicholson.
2. The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2016 were taken as read.
3. Chair's report – The following report was distributed to councillors: I would like to thank Andrew Houghton, Gill Chambers, Peter Riseborough, Brian Nicholson and Belinda Northey for all their hard work throughout the year. Giving their time to attend Parish Council meetings - onsite meetings with Highways, Environment Agency and various other voluntary tasks for the village. I would also like to thank our clerk Kirsty Cotgrove for her hard work in making sure all the administration of the Parish Council runs smoothly and assisting the Parish Councillors. The main issue we have been dealing with this year is speeding in the village. PCSO Guy Slade has recently completed three speed checks with a speed camera and also arranged for a speed monitor to be installed in the village in two different positions. This information will be collated and a report will be issued in due course. If anyone has any other issues, questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact the clerk or one of your parish councillors or by coming along to one of the Parish Council meetings.
4. Other Reports –  
(i) Father Paul Thomas - Ingworth Parochial Church Council Father Paul reported that the Ingworth PCC had their Annual meeting in April, which they hold along with Erpingham and Calthorpe PCCs. Although they exist as separate organisations, they meet together. There are currently no church wardens for Ingworth Church, so volunteers are required. The leasing to the diocese is now complete and the 1<sup>st</sup> of the seen services took place at Easter, unfortunately with only one person, from out of the parish, attending. Six more services are planned for the year, and will be advertised. The Church continues to hold weddings, burials and christenings. There will be fundraising events in the coming year. The In Touch magazine continues, with a new editor after the previous editor sadly died. All agreed that the In Touch magazine is an important means of communication for the Parish. GC advised that there is sometimes confusion regarding the number of copies which are supplied to the Parish. Father Paul will get the distribution manager to call her to discuss. Concern was raised about the lack of grass cutting at the front of the church yard, and it was agreed that it needs to be cut more frequently. Father Paul advised that the volunteer who currently cuts the grass at the church is moving, so a volunteer is needed to take this on. He will contact the existing volunteer to discuss the current plan for cutting and report back.  
(iii) Norman Smith – North Norfolk District Councillor- NS reported that he has worked with John Timewell to get the speed limit reduced in Alby to 40mph. He raised concern at the move by NNDC to move to only email notification of planning applications. This was discussed in details. The Clerk advised that the quality of the scanned plans is often poor, so there needs to be investment in

scanning equipment. The number of District Councillors is reducing from 48 to 40, although the district is increasing considerably. The increase in time commitment could prevent many young people from standing as District Councillors. NS also raised concern at the new cycle of planning policy, which appears to favour large numbers of developments with little thought to infrastructure.

*PCSO Guy Slade arr. At 7:30pm*

*Father Paul left the meeting at 7:30pm*

(ii) Guy Slade – PCSO- GS reported that Cromer SNT has recently taken on Ingworth. He has been regularly using the speed camera in the village, to reduce the speed of vehicles travelling through. Norfolk Safety Camera Team are also doing their work. GS has a copy of the report produced in 2015, so it will be interesting to see the change. Speeding is a priority in the SNT, after being voted. for at the recent SNAP meeting, which everyone is welcome to come along to. There have been rogue trader issues in the area recently. So GS urged everyone to be aware, and to report anything suspicious. There have also been a number of lead thefts from churches in the area. Please call 999 or 101 if you see anything suspicious. TGS suggested combining with Erpingham for a community Speedwatch group.

(iv) Mr John Timewell – Norfolk County Council- No report

AG thanked everyone for attending, and the meeting closed at 7:58pm

Signed:.....

Date:.....

