

INGWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Monday 1st September 2014 in the Reading Room, Ingworth

Present: R Calvert, G Chambers, A Gibbons (in the Chair), B Northey, P Riseborough;

1. Annmarie Gibbons welcomed all present and apologies were received from A Houghton, J Steed and Cllr N Smith (NNDC).

2. Declarations of interest – BL for item 5.1 (planning).

3. The minutes of the following meetings of the Council were agreed and signed:

Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday 28th April 2014

Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Monday 28th April 2014

Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on Friday 30th May 2014

Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 2nd July 2014

4. Matters arising

4.1 NCC highways matters – nil further, but the Clerk would contact NCC to ask for a review of speed reduction measures from a highways perspective (rumble strips, enhanced village name signs, bridge weight reduction).

4.2 NCC footpaths – nil further, but the Clerk was asked to repeat the request of last February re the closed off footpath to the Bure.

4.3 River Bure – Council members and members of the public had attended an interesting talk from Dave Brady (Nat Trust). AG had met with the EA and they had advised of their summer weed cutting which the Council had advertised.

5. Planning

5.1 Non material amendment at St Petroc, Cromer Road (10/0309) – approved.

5.2 Extensions at Hill Farmhouse, Priory Lane (14/0197) – this had been permitted.

5.3 Mr Mrs M Farrow, extension, verandah, balcony, West End Cottage, Ingworth (14/0684) – this had been permitted.

5.4 Retention of balcony, staircase, The Cottage, The Street (14/0916) – the Council had no objection.

5.5 Anaerobic Digester, Banningham Rd, Aylsham - Broadland DC application 20140630 – further information is awaited but it was agreed that RC would represent the Parish Council at the Planning Committee when it is held.

5.6 Planning Controls in the Conservation Area -RC had prepared a discussion paper, which the Council reviewed; the Clerk was asked to invite the NNDC Conservation Officer to a future meeting to outline and discuss the current policy in Ingworth.

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6. Finance

6.1 Finance Report - the Annual Return has come back from the External Auditors, with the only comment that assets should not be adjusted for inflation or depreciation. There is no audit fee. The Clerk would post the Notice of Completion. The NNDC timetable allows the precept to be decided later in the year and will be on the December meeting agenda. The Clerk presented a bank reconciliation which was signed off. The new bank signatories are now in operation.

6.2 The following payments due were approved by the Council en bloc, with all in favour:

- E.ON electricity	£35.07	(cheque 0404)
- Clerk's pay (May – Aug))	£478.95	(0405)
- Clerk's expenses (Mar – Aug)	£221.71	(0406)

The cheques were signed.

7. Ingworth amenities

7.1 To further consider the proposal by National Trust to lease a riverside area by the Bure. RC reported on the meeting of the working party including a comprehensive risk assessment.

At this point AG was called away and members agreed that PR should take the chair for the remainder of the meeting.

The Clerk was asked to request a draft of the licence/agreement from National Trust which could be discussed at the next meeting.

7.2 Playground – BN suggested that the play equipment should be replaced/modernised and it was agreed that she should research this to obtain a plan with costs with which the Council could then apply for a grant. RC asked to be relieved of the responsibility of regular playground inspections and GC agreed to take this on.

8. Reports

8.1 Clerk's report; the Clerk advised his holiday dates; the next meeting would be on December 1st 2014. He made available the current Council policy documents to members – Standing Orders – Code of Conduct – Financial Regulations.

8.2 Members' reports;

RC suggested a grit bin near the A140 which the Clerk would sound out NCC about.

PR asked about the OpenReach scheme to provide fibre optic cabling to Norfolk villages to improve internet connection.

RC talked about the RCC sponsored fuel purchase scheme and would publish information for Ingworth users.

The meeting closed at 21.20.

Signed..... (in the Chair) Date.....December 2014