

INGWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Ingworth Parish Council held on Thursday 12th August 2021, at 7:00pm, on the Village Green, Ingworth

Present: Annmarie Gibbons (Chair), Belinda Northey, Gill Chambers
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K Cotgrove (Clerk).

21/35. Apologies for absence – A Gibbons welcomed everyone. Apologies were noted for Fran Whiting, Peter Allen-Jones and Liz Elsdon.

21/36. Declarations of Interest & dispensation to speak – B. Northey declared an interest in the fence quote. A dispensation was granted to speak / vote.

21/37. To agree the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 6th May 2021 – The minute of the meetings on Thursday 6th May 2021 were approved and signed (prop. A Gibbons, sec. G Chambers, all agreed).

21/38. Matters arising, not on the agenda – None

21/39. To consider co-option of a Councillor – No one has come forward yet.

21/40. To receive reports:

(a) Saul Penfold (Norfolk County Councillor) – County Cllr Penfold had sent his apologies and a brief report.

(b) John Toye (North Norfolk District Councillor) – District Cllr Toye had sent his apologies and a brief report.

21.41. To adjourn the meeting to allow for public participation: - No members of the public were in attendance.

21/42. Planning – None.

21/43. Finance

(a) To approve the financial statement and budget update – The cash book was distributed to Councillors prior to the meeting.

(b) Payments – The following payments were approved:

(i)	£ 232.00	Kirsty Cotgrove – clerk's salary for August meeting
(ii)	£ 18.00	HMRC – Clerk's Aug tax
(iii)	£ 162.00	R Slaughter – grass cutting
(iv)	£ 90.00	D Bracey – playground inspection
(v)	£ 23.46	E.on – electricity direct debit

An additional payment was authorised for grass cutting at £54.00.

(c) Receipts – The following receipt was noted:

(i)	£ 992.13	HMRC – VAT rebate
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21/44. To consider quotes for fencing in the playground, and to receive the annual playground inspection report – Two quotes have been circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting. One further one would be preferable, but A Gibbons could not find a third contractor willing to quote. There have been recent issues of teenagers at the play area, intimidating the neighbours. It was noted that if anyone notices anyone behaving in an anti-social manner, to contact the police on 101. The playground inspection report was emailed to Councillors prior to the meeting. Part of the fencing which needs to be replaced is on a boundary with a house, and it may be their responsibility. One more quote will be obtained. The inspection report was emailed to Councillors prior to the meeting. The play equipment will be cleaned, and the fence replacement is in hand.

21/45. To update on the wind farm applications – A Complaint has been put in by Oulton Parish Council as to the lack of consultation etc.

21/46. To update on Highways issues, including public rights of way – If anyone has issues with Highways or rights of way, they can be reported by anyone on <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roads/report-a-problem>. A right of way in the village has been reported a number of times, but not repaired. The Clerk will contact the Highways engineer to chase.

There is a badly overgrown hedge along the main road, the Clerk will report to Highways & the National Trust, as it has damaged a number of vehicles.

21/47. To discuss the Village Green – G Chambers, A Gibbons & the Highways engineer met at the Village Green. It was agreed that the boundary is the responsibility of Highways, and they will put another post in. It was discussed whether another post will be necessary if a tree trunk bench is put in there. It was agreed to ask the NT for a trunk of approximately 7ft, and at least 3ft in diameter.

21/48. To discuss responses to the questionnaire, and to consider further action – Deferred to the November meeting.

21/49. To update on the Reading Room, and to consider further action - A surveyor attended, but has still not sent a report through. The Clerk will continue to chase. Quotes will be obtained for redecorating and installing a toilet, once more is known from the Surveyors report.

21/50. To update on River Bure maintenance – No weed cutting has taken place. The fallen tree has not been removed either. A Gibbons will email them to chase.

21/51. Correspondence - The following items were noted

- a. NALC Share Certificate.
- b. Blickling Half Marathon. – This will take place on 17th October, and will not come through Ingworth.

21/52. Any other business, for information only – B Northey has had a request for a defibrillator for the village. The Clerk will find funding options, and pass them to B Northey to explore further.

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A Gibbons suggested a village event, with funds going to the Church. The Clerk advised that this is fine, so long as no precept money is used. Various ideas were discussed. The Clerk will see if the road can be closed.

21/53. Date of next meeting- Thursday 11th November 2021 7:30pm, in the Reading Room.

21/54. To close the meeting - There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8:30pm.

Signed by:

(Chair)

Date:

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