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Minutes of the Billingford Parish Council meeting held on
Tuesday 22nd September 2020 at 6.15 p.m. on the Playing Field beside the Village Hall

Present:- Cllr M Davies, Cllr P Payne, Cllr R Thorneley and Cllr M Teeve

Others Present: - 4 members of the Public

Matters raised under time allocated to the Public.

There were no matters raised by the Public.

1. Welcome and to consider accepting apologies for absence

The Chairman welcomed those present to the meeting. There were apologies for absence received from Cllr A Lake. Dist. Cllr Gordon Bambridge also sent apologies for non attendance.

2. To declare any Interests re items on the agenda

There were no Interests declared.

3. To confirm minutes of the meetings held on 26yth November 2019, 3rd March and 18th August 2020

The minutes had been circulated. One small amendment was made to the minutes of 3rd March. Cllr Thorneley then proposed that the minutes of the three meetings be accepted as accurate records of the meetings, seconded by Cllr Payne and carried, so the Chairman signed them as true copies.

4. To discuss any matters from the minutes (not on the agenda)

There were no matters arising.

5. To discuss Correspondence received

The Chairman was not satisfied with Norfolk County Council's responses regarding the Highways issues he had raised, so he has written to the M.P. George Freeman and has asked if he can put some pressure on Highways to deal with this. At the time of the meeting the Chairman had not received a response. During the Lock Down there was flooding on Bintree Road because the owners of the property, where the flooding had occurred, had interfered with the drains. The Chairman wrote to the Flooding Officer at Norfolk County Council and an acknowledgement has been received. The situation will be monitored.

6. To discuss any Planning Issues

3PL/2020/0901/F Annexe at rear of Blacksmiths Cottage, Bintree Road, change of use of holiday let to independent dwelling at Anvil Lodge, Blacksmith Cottage. The Parish Council had no objections to this application.

A letter has been received from Breckland regarding Billingford Lakes and the alleged breach of unauthorised development. The letter states that Breckland considers it is not a breach of Planning Control so the case is now closed.

7. To discuss the possibility of White Gates to help with Speeding Problems

Cllr Payne is dealing with this subject and she has contacted Highways. Currently she is finding it difficult to get Highways to help with the situation but she will continue to pursue this and she has contacted Cllr Bambridge also.

8. To discuss the purchasing of new Street Lights

The Chairman has asked for another quote from T T Jones Electrical Ltd. The Parish Council agreed that something needs to be done about getting new lights as the current ones are now obsolete and it would not be possible to repair them in the future.

9. To authorize financial payments

The Parish Council agreed to pay the following necessary financial payments:-

Clerk's salary for September £208.00
SSE Electric £16.67

Clerk's expenses for September £25.75


10. To receive items for the next agenda

Update on the White Gate situation


To discuss the footpath reinstatement from Bintree to Swanton Morley

11. To confirm date and time of next meeting

The date of the next Parish Council meeting is set for Tuesday 17th November 2020 at 12.00 noon and the meeting is planned to take place on the Playing Field beside the Village Hall. If the County is in Lock Down the meeting will take place through Zoom. The Chairman thanked everyone for attending. There being no other business to discuss, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 6.45 p.m.


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