

GREAT FINBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 12th December 2022 in Pettward Hall

Present: Cllr Simon Tarabella (chair) Cllr Simon Waspe Cllr Peter Turner
Cllr James Spencer Cllr Sebastian Reeves Cllr Lee Morgan

Paula Gladwell – Clerk Cllr John Matthissen (part)
0 members of public

- 2022/2827 **Apologies for Absence** – Cllr Isabelle Campbell, Cllr Penny Otton
- 2022/2828 **Declarations of Interest in accordance with the council's Code of Conduct and requests for dispensations relating to Discloseable Pecuniary Interests** – None
- 2022/2829 **Minutes of Parish Council Meeting** - It was proposed by Cllr Turner, sec Cllr Reeves that the minutes of the previous Parish Council Meeting were approved, with all in favour. The Parish Council Meeting minutes of 14th November 2022 were signed as a true record.
- 2022/2830 **Public Participation** – No questions
- 2022/2831 **County Councillor Otton's Report** – Cllr Otton's report had been circulated, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.
- 2022/2832 **District Councillor Matthissen's Report** – Cllr Matthissen's report had been circulated and a copy is attached to these minutes.
- 2022/2833 **Clerks Report** – It was confirmed that the Street Furniture Licence for the car park signage has been approved and the quote for the signs has come in at £294.72 therefore these have been ordered.
It was confirmed that the street lighting programme timings would remain the same as usual for the Christmas and New Year eves.
- 2022/2834 **Woodpecker Hill Group** – It was RESOLVED to purchase the equipment requested for the volunteers at a cost of £35.99 Prop Cllr Tarabella, sec Cllr Morgan with all in favour.
- 2022/2835 **Village maintenance** – It was RESOLVED to purchase bark for maintenance of the paths at a cost of £298.03, it was noted that a donation had been pledged towards the cost by the Garden Club. Proposed by Cllr Tarabella, sec Cllr Reeves with all in favour.
- 2022/2836 There were no other matters reported.
Cllr Spencer and Cllr Waspe entered the meeting
- 2022/2837 **Planning** – It was RESOLVED to submit the following comments to; application DC/22/05766 Erection of timber framed joinery workshop (Use class E(g)(iii) Resubmission of DC/22/03569) Oakdene, High Road "Great Finborough Parish Council have NO OBJECTION to this application based on the information available" and
- 2022/2838 DC/22/0692 Erection of a two storey side extension including replacement roof to rear extension and erection of cart lodge (following demolition of existing garage) (Resubmission of withdrawn application DC/22/04659) 4 Wash Lane Corner, Combs Lane "great Finborough Parish Council have NO OBJECTION to this application based on the information available" Proposed Cllr Tarabella, sec Cllr Turner with all in favour.
- 2022/2839 There were no Mid Suffolk District Council decisions to note
- 2022/2840 **Finance** – The Finance report for December 2022 was approved.
- 2022/2841 The following payments were approved. Prop Cllr Tarabella, sec Cllr Turner with all in favour, Staff salaries for November
- 2022/2842 Material Change £298.03
- 2022/2843 Gipping Press £195.00
- 2022/2844 Glasdon £2655.97
- 2022/2845 The Budget Working Group put forward their draft of the budget for 2023/2024 with a recommendation that full council approve this and the precept created. Further consideration of the budget will be taken at the January meeting when the precept will be set. Thanks were extended to the members of the working group for their work towards the budget.
- 2022/2846 **Footpaths** – Cllr Spencer had nothing new to report.
- 2022/2847 **Correspondence** – There were no comments to tabled correspondence.
- 2022/2848 **Tree and Hedge Management Working Group** – The THMWOG reported that the contractor had been out today to inspect the Chestnut tree on the green and agree the scale of remedial work needed and to assess the row of trees adjacent to gardens at Woodpecker Hill concluding that one of these should be reduced and the other saplings removed. A quote for both jobs was requested as soon as possible in order that these costs can be fed into the budget process.
- 2022/2849 **Local Needs Housing** – The LNH Working Group are awaiting the results of Orwell Housing's land owner negotiations.

2022/2850 **Street Lights** – The SLWG reported that all funding is now in place and the work has been ordered. SCC will hopefully be scheduling in the work for Jan/Feb next year. Cllr Matthissen confirmed that he had been able to increase his locality fund pledge to £1667.

2022/2851 **Matters to be brought to the attention of the council** – It was noted that the missing dog bin had yet to be replaced. The clerk will chase this with MSDC Public Realm and in the event that they will not replace it a cost for a new one will be sought.

Next meeting will be held in Pettward Hall on Monday 9th January 2023 at 7.30pm