

GREAT FINBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 9th December 2019 in the Pettward Hall

Present: Cllr Simon Tarabella (chair) Cllr Peter Turner Cllr Simon Waspe
Cllr James Spencer Cllr Norman Vendittelli
Paula Gladwell – Clerk County Cllr Penny Otton (part)
1 member of public District Cllr John Matthissen (part)

- 2019/1936 **Apologies for Absence** - Cllr Sebastian Reeves, Cllr Dee Dixon-absent
2019/1937 **Declarations of Interest in accordance with the council's Code of Conduct and requests for dispensations relating to Discloseable Pecuniary Interests** - None
- 2019/1938 **Minutes of Parish Council Meeting** - It was proposed by Cllr Turner that the minutes of the previous Parish Council Meeting were approved, with all in favour. The Parish Council Meeting minutes of 11th November were signed as a true record.
- 2019/1939 **District Cllr John Matthissen** – Deferred
2019/1940 **County Cllr Penny Otton** – Deferred
2019/1941 **Public Participation** – Council were told that the new tennis courts at Finborough Hall School were nearly complete and that they would like to offer the facility for use by a community Tennis Club. Thanks were extended to James Sinclair for this generous offer and Councillors are sure it will be a welcome idea for residents. An item to discuss the setting up and running of a Tennis Club for the village will be added to the next agenda.
- 2019/1942 **Clerks Report** - It was noted that no progress report had been received regarding the enforcement action at no.24
It was agreed that Christmas Trees would be collected for recycling at Middlefield Drive Car Park as usual.
- 2019/1943 **District Cllr John Matthissen** – Cllr Matthissen gave his report a copy of which is attached to these minutes.
- 2019/1944 **Planning** - There were no applications to consider.
2019/1945 The following MSDC decisions were noted; DC/19/04912 Re consultation - Erection of 9no. dwellings and creation of new access, Land off, Pear Tree Place - REFUSED
2019/1946 DC/19/04460 Outline Planning Application - Erection of 1 No. dwelling including access - Land to the west of High Road - REFUSED
2019/1947 DC/19/04862 Discharge of Conditions Application DC/18/03710 Condition 3 (Materials) Condition 4 (Archaeological Works) Condition 5 (Archaeological Works) Condition 8 (surface Water Discharge Prevention) Condition 9 (Roads and Footpaths) and Condition 13 (Landscaping Scheme) - Land off Pear Tree Place - REFUSED
- 2019/1948 **County Cllr Penny Otton** – Cllr Otton gave her report which had been circulated and is attached to these minutes.
- 2019/1949 **Middlefield Drive Play Area Working Group** - An additional volunteer has come forward. Two contractors have been asked to provide a plan, their comments are awaited. A meeting of the Working Group will be set for the new year.
- 2019/1950 **Finance** – The Finance report for December 2019 was approved.
2019/1951 The following payments were approved. Prop Cllr Tarabella, Sec Cllr Turner with all in favour, Staff salaries for November
2019/1952 Green Scene £1256.80
2019/1953 Pettward Hall £75.00
2019/1954 Quotes for tree work in Middlefield Drive are still awaited.
2019/1955 There was no report from the Budget Working Group. A meeting of the working group was set for Monday 30th December.
- 2019/1956 **Correspondence** –There were no comments to tabled correspondence.
2019/1957 **Footpaths** – The Footpath Warden had nothing new to report.
2019/1958 Actions on the Schedule of Work was deferred.
2019/1959 Footpath Map - It was noted that the final draft was to be completed before the printer is asked to provide a sample for approval. It was noted that Cllr Matthissen will not be able to help with funding of the footpath map through his locality budget as the value is below the minimum amount of £250.
- 2019/1960 **Loss of Bus Service** - It was noted that Ringshall PC had decided not to help fund Hadleigh Buses for routes 461 and 462 and any cohesive response was likely to not be supported now. In the absence of Cllr Dixon and with no report received it was agreed that no further action be taken at this time.

- 2019/1961 **White Entrance Gates** - Cllr Vendittelli provided information, pictures and a mock up of White Gates for the Stowmarket end of the village. It was suggested that a double gate might be possible slightly back from the existing position of the Village Name sign and 30mph start. It was agreed that SCC Highways be asked which option might be possible and if their response is positive costings will be sought.
- 2019/1962 **Parish Notice Board** - It was noted that waterproofing and re stain were needed for the Notice Board. Quotes will be sought for the repairs which will be considered at the next meeting.
- 2019/1963 **Matters to be brought to the attention of the council** – None

Cllr Tarabella thanked all members for their contributions throughout the past year and closed the meeting.

Next meeting of the Parish Council - Monday 8th January 2020 at 7.30pm