

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Grouped Parish Council of Flixton, St. Cross and St. Margaret South Elmham

Meeting held at Flixton Village Hall on 17.05.2022

Meeting opened: 19.32

Present: Councillors Rodney Mulhearn, Ken Warne, Ian Noakes, David Mann, Daniel Johnson, Julie Hinsley, Justin Skinner, John Sanderson, Phillip Kidner and Libby ffrench Mullen (minutes).

In attendance: County Councillor Judy Cloake.

1. Election of Chairman

Cllr Phillip Kidner proposed by Cllr Warne and Seconded by Cllr Noakes.

2. Signing of Declaration of acceptance of office

Cllr Kidner signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

3. Apologies

None

4. Election of Vice Chairmen

Cllr John Sanderson proposed by Cllr ffrench Mullen and seconded by Cllr Noakes
Cllr Ken Warne proposed by Cllr David Mann and seconded by Cllr Daniel Johnson.

5. Declaration of Interest

None

6. Public Participation

No one in attendance.

Police Report: None available.

County Councillors Report:

C Cllr Judy Cloake had emailed her report prior to the meeting.

Cllr P Kidner reported that some communications from the County Council were being sent to a defunct email address. C Cllr Cloake confirmed the correct address for email correspondance and address for current GPC administrative support.

7. Minutes of the Last Meeting

Accepted as a true record.

Proposed by Cllr J Sanderson

Seconded by Cllr R Mulhearn

8. Matters Arising from the Minutes

None

9. Statutory Business

None

Asset Register

Cllr Mann had circulated current register.
There were no additions.

10. Planning

None

11. Finance

Cllr Mann had prepared and circulated financial reports. The annual governance order, risk assessment and internal audit were approved and signed.

Appointment of Internal Auditor

Sue Riseborough has agreed to carry out the internal audit.

Proposed by Cllr Sanderson

Seconded by Cllr J Hinsley

Approve Payments

£60 for One Suffolk Website

£11 Village Hall Hire

Proposed by Cllr Noakes

Seconded by Cllr Sanderson

12. Correspondence

None

13. Reports from Councillors

a) Cllr Warne raised a number of issues from Flixton Annual Parish Meeting

- A resident had asked if a zebra crossing should be sited in the village.

Highways had responded to Cllr Warne's enquiry stating the it would need to be funded externally. Highways suggested alternative types of pedestrian crossing signage which may be available at no cost to the Parish Council. Estimates would need to be obtained from the relevant departments. Cllr Warne asked for the meeting's opinion. Cllrs agreed that pedestrian crossing signage would be preferable.

- Cllr Warne suggested a convex mirror to improve road users vision at St Felix Rise junction. Cllrs agreed that this was a good proposal and agreed funding up to £100 to include the mirror and mounting. The landowner would need to be approached regarding siting.

Proposed by Cllr Sanderson

Seconded by Cllr Mulhearn.

- A resident had suggested flower planters to be sited by the village sign.

C Cllr Cloake reported that some villages use planters as a traffic calming measure.

Cllrs felt that this was not a viable suggestion as it would require ongoing financial resources and volunteer support to maintain.

- Residents had suggested that the bus shelter requires cleaning.

Cllr Skinner agreed to arrange for this to be done.

- A path further from the edge of the B1062 was suggested.

The Landowner would need to be approached and Cllr Mann agreed to discuss with him.

Cllrs questioned whether the County Council would maintain the path.

Cllr Mann suggested that such a path would likely have a financial cost and that

there would be ongoing maintenance.

C Cllr Cloake pointed out that a similar scheme had been carried out in Ditchingham.

Cllr Noakes asked if many pedestrians were likely to make use of such a path.

- b) Cllr Noakes reported that the drain on Sandy Lane had been filled in when the road was resurfaced. He has attempted to report this to Highways but has had no response. He was advised to continue reporting the issue.
- c) Cllr Noakes asked if Public Liability Insurance covered Platinum Jubilee celebrations held on private property. He was advised that this would not be covered.
- d) Cllr Kidner raised the issue of sub standard road repairs on the route of the recent one way diversion.
C Cllr Cloake will ask Highways to inspect.

14. Any Other Business

C Cllr Cloake Reminded the meeting of the Community Partnership Open Day on 21.05.2022 11am – 1pm. All are invited to attend.

Meeting Closed: 20.15