

RINGLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Ringland Village Hall, The Street, Ringland
On Monday 8 July 2024 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs N Adams (Chairman), L Cooper (Vice-Chair), S Addington, M George, K Stone and M Turner

Officer: L Trabucco (Clerk)

Member of the public: 3 members of the public were present

1. Apologies

It was **agreed** to approve apologies for Jill Baker – other commitment.

2. Declaration of Interest

None.

3. Minutes – To approve the Annual Parish Council minutes dated 13 May 2024

These were agreed as a true record of proceedings.

4. Matter Arising from Minutes

To hear an update and to consider any necessary action with regards to the following:

- a. *Village upcoming events:* Margaret informed Council that the Summer Fete was going to take place on Saturday 10 August 2024 from 1pm to 4pm on the Village Green, and volunteers Councillors are welcome to help on the day. Flyers and posters have been created and will be sent in due course.

Nick and Simon mentioned that the *Bridge 100th birthday* was approaching and could be held on the same day as the Summer Fete. Simon was to provide photos and information of the history of bridge while Nick would arrange a Barbecue with the theme 'bring your own food'. Further details will be provided by Nick and Simon closer to the event.

- b. *.gov.uk domain and email address:* The Clerk informed Council that it should be completed within the next couple of weeks.
- c. *Church Mound car park resurfacing:* Malcom gave a general update and mentioned that the work is now completed. The signage will be made in keeping with the style of others in the area and it will be attached to the existing metal post. A suggestion was made to see if a small biodiversity area could be created on the greens with the help of grants. Lindy to oversee the potential project. The Church expressed their thanks for the water/supply work completed.
- d. *Graziers Committee:* No update.
Simon informed Council that one applicant no longer lives in the Parish and therefore there was only one applicant left.
- e. *Management of Common Land:* Lindy gave an update on an email received from Norfolk Wildlife expert which gave detailed information and links to potential land management grants and volunteers groups.
- f. *River Green power cable maintenance:* Nick informed Council that UK Power Network will carry out the planned essential work on Thursday 18 July 2024 and therefore nearby residents were

advised that power was going to be switched off at some time 9am to 9.30am before being switched back on again between 12.30pm to 1.30pm.

5. Public Participation and Reports (15 mins max 3 mins per speaker)

- i. Norfolk County Councillor Greg Peck had sent his apologies, and his report was noted as received and available on the Parish Council website.
- ii. District Councillor Peter Bulman had sent his apologies, no update received.
- iii. Police Matters. None received.

iv. Members of the Public

A member of the public asked if the Council could cut back the overgrown bramble over the bridge. Nick will ask the grounds maintenance contractor to attend to this.

Another member of the public mentioned that the weak bridge sign at Easton is still showing as 7.5 tones instead of 3.5 tones. The Clerk will inform highways again.

A member of the public reported a blocked drain at the junction of the Street and Back Lane. The Clerk will report it to highways.

The Clerk informed Council that she had been made aware from members of the public that rats have been spotted near the Swan Public House and will check with Peter Bulman to see if Broadland District Council can send someone to investigate and write to the owner/management company to make them aware and to ask if they can keep up the maintenance of the outside as its overgrown with weeds.

6. Planning

- a. To consider responding to planning application.

None.

- b. To receive a report on plans refused/accepted by Broadland District Council

To note the approval of planning application no. 2024/1362. Location: Pit Farm Barn 30 The Street Ringland. Proposal: Single storey rear extension - Decision: Approval with Conditions.

NOTED. The Clerk will enquire why this planning application was not received in time to make comments.

- c. To hear an update and to consider any necessary action with regard to enforcement issues on planning appeals.

None.

7. Consultations

To note Norfolk County Council (NCC) has extended the consultation period to comment on the Norwich Western Link Planning Application [FUL/2024/0022](#): Land between the A1270 Broadland Northway near Ringland and the A47 near Honningham: Development of approximately 6km of the Norwich Western Link Road connecting the A1067 (Fakenham Road) with the new A47 North Tuddenham to Easton scheme (being developed by National Highways), including the construction of a new roundabout junction with the A1067 Fakenham Road, improvements to the A1067 Fakenham Road and the roundabout junction with the A1270 Broadland Northway.

NOTED. Council has agreed to make a comment using the above online link.

Nick informed Council that a drop-in session has been arranged by NWL on Thursday 25 July 2024 from 5.30pm to 7.30pm at Ringland Village Hall to inform of changes to the predicted number and type of vehicles needing to access Low Farm and mentioned that residents are welcome to drop-in and ask questions.

8. Highways Matters

- a. To receive a report on any issues.

None received.

- b. To receive an update on the NWL and A47 projects. Nick gave a general update, and mentioned he will attend the NWL drop-in session on Thursday 25th July 2024.

9. Finance

- a. To receive the bank reconciliation as at 30 June 2024.

The bank reconciliation was **received**.

- b. The following payments made since the last meeting were **noted**:

Tesco	Mobile monthly contract	£ 10.00
Carol Key Dev.	Car Park resurfacing supplies	£ 3,898.99
B Frost	Works on car park resurfacing	£ 4,500.00
R Rumsby & Son	Hire of equipment for car park resurfacing	£ 491.64
Zurich Municipal	Annual Parish Council insurance	£ 918.11
Norfolk ALC	Gov.uk domain registration and admin fee	£ 84.40
Little Melton	Materials for car park resurfacing	£ 1,177.20
SB Auditing	Internal Audit for Year End 2023/24	£ 125.00
AF Affinity	Village Hall electricity (chrgs 14.01-13.04.24)	£ 124.76
Deeba Surfacing	Supply/install asphalt on car park	£ 960.00
Wave	Anglia Water supply to Village Hall	£ 24.52
Little Melton	Timber post and rails for car park	£ 380.22
Norfolk ALC	Website assistance fee/migration	£ 140.00
B Frost	Work on post and rails for car park	£ 400.00
Tesco	Mobile monthly contract	£ 10.00
M Andrews	Ground works on 1,15,29/05/25	£ 630.00

- c. To following payments were **approved**:

L Trabucco	May Salary	£ 457.12
L Trabucco	Printing expenses	£ 13.16
L Trabucco	June Salary	£ 382.92
M Andrew	Ground works on 12,26/06/24	£ 420.00

- d. The following payments received since the last meeting were **noted**:

Canoe Permit	Canoe permits	£ 120.00
Business Reserve transfer	EMR for Church Green car park resurfacing	£13,373.22
NCC	Recycling credits	£ 252.70
Village Hall	Hire of Village hall	£ 404.00

10. To consider correspondence received. **NOTED**

Email	Veolia Sustainability Fund	Project idea to enhance biodiversity in your Parish. Sponsorship to support non-for-profit organisations and community groups to transform their local community	https://www.veolia.co.uk/sustainability-fund
Email	South Norfolk and Broadland District Council	Community at Heart Awards 2024 – nomination open	For information
Email	Norfolk County Council	Norwich Western Link project update	Planning Application published online and public consultation to allow people to comment on the planning application https://norwichwesternlink.oc2.uk/document/7
Email	JBA Consulting	Natural England River Wensum SSSI Conditions Assessment Survey	For information (Visit in July)
Email	South Norfolk and Broadland District Council	Free Mental Health Training	Wellbeing Champion Training workshop at the Horizon Business Centre on 18 July 2024 from 6pm-7.30pm
Email	South Norfolk and Broadland District Council	Appointed of Tibbalds Planning & Urban Design Ltd to develop a district wide design code	Workshop for Broadland Parish & Town Councils on 22 July between 2.30pm and 4.40pm to share views on the development of the design code.
Email	Broadland Tree Warden Network	Broadsheet magazine July 2024	For information

A suggestion was made to see if any other parishioner would like to volunteer as Tree Warden for Ringland. The Clerk would create a note to be added to the Parish Council notice board.

11. **General Parish issue** (for information only)

None.

The Defibrillator Training took place, and 16 residents attended, and a suggestion was made to see if it could be arranged as an annual training.

12. The next Parish Council meeting was **CONFIRMED** as Monday 9 September 2024 at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm