

TERRINGTON ST JOHN PARISH COUNCIL

Serving the villages of Terrington St John and St John's Fen End Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 2nd October 2024 at 7.00pm At Marshland St James Methodist Church

1. To record the names of those present

Cllr J MacCallum – Vice chair, Cllr C Gibbs and Cllr J Ware

2. To consider accepting apologies for absence

It was **resolved** to accept apologies from Cllr B Dye, Cllr A Bishop and Cllr A Hoey.

3. To consider co-option applications

There were no applications.

4. To record declarations of personal and/or prejudicial interest from members in any item to be discussed and consider any requests for dispensations

There were no declarations of interest.

5. To approve the minutes of the last ordinary council meeting held Wednesday 10th September 2024

It was **resolved** to accept the minutes of the 10th September 2024 as a true and accurate record of the meeting and were duly signed by the Chair.

6. To allow public participation – to include information from developers, Police representatives, or any other person invited to speak

No members of the public were present.

7. To receive reports from Borough and/or County Councillors

There were no reports from Borough or County Councillors.

8. To receive the Clerk's report, including matters arising from last month's meeting

- To considering ordering a wreath for Remembrance Sunday. It was **resolved** that the Clerk would order a Remembrance Sunday wreath and Cllr Gibbs would kindly go and collect it in preparation for laying in St John's Church.
- Write to a parishioner to thank them for paining the village seat. Ask the parishioner that has been helping to look after the village plant boxes if they will continue as the other parishioner that was tending the boxes has now left the village. Clerk to ask Barn Restaurant if they would like to look after the village planter near the village sign box. Clerk to ask the parishioner if they would be happy for the Parish Council to display place a plaque on the planter box near them with words of thanks.
- CCTV, police, and alleged arson - The Clerk noted that while discussing the alleged arson with the police, the Clerk discussed the value of the CCTV at the playing field and car park. PC Lorraine noted that although this is high cost the police consider it good value as it is a vulnerable area and is a deterrent.

- A Parishioner has mentioned that the light outside the church is not working, which he felt was disappointing. The Clerk also noted that speed sign is also not working. It was agreed to get the light and speed sign fixed because it is important for that stretch of road, using the previously obtained quote for the light repair.

9. To receive and consider reports and updates from Councillors regarding the areas they have been delegated to take a lead responsibility on previously

a) Councillor C Gibbs:

- TSJ Consolidated charity trustees (other Trustees J MacCallum) – It was noted that one of the trustees has recently resigned due to other commitments. Cllr Gibbs reminded the Clerk to invite Trustee I Pattingale to seek his availability to attend a meeting.
Brick wall – D Gibbs to make contact with a contractor that worked on a wall in the village, to see if they can provide a quote for the village sign at St John's Fen End.
- Clerk is meeting with a contractor on Friday to clear the ground in preparation for the village sign and will have the quote ready for the next meeting.

b) Councillor A Bishop:

- Norfolk Association of Local Councils -
- Planning (other link J MacCallum and J Ware) – Cllr MacCallum attended the planning update at BCKLWN. Biodiversity net gain was talked about. The planning department is going to need double the number of houses approved. Neighbourhood Plans will still be taken into account when applications are considered. The Local plan update was discussed. Cllr MacCallum felt that it is a very worthwhile event to attend each year. Councillors requested that the Clerk seek an update from the Cherry Tree Drive developer as no more houses have been finished recently.

c) Councillor A Hoey:

The Clerk, in the absence of Cllr Hoey read out his report.

- SAM2 – Batteries due to be changed mid-month. One unit will be moved leaving the other at the school. Cllr Hoey asked other Councillors to let him know if a unit is inoperative so that I can checked and the batteries changed.
- Police – We continue to receive a good level of support from the KLBC Speed Camera team which is encouraging.

d) Councillor J MacCallum:

- Internal audit control – No report.

e) Councillor J Ware:

- Village Hall/Methodist Church and village activities
Coffee morning on Saturday at scout hut.
Couple of members met with Tim and someone at school to have a Christmas tree festival. On 6th December trees will be brought up to the church to be decorated. They will be there until 6th January and fair and

expected to take place on 7th December. There will be many things happening on that date. Funds will be split to village hall fund. Coffee morning will be held at the beginning of November at Scout Hut.

10. To consider Parish Partnership application

It was noted that the car park resurfacing comes under the scheme. It was agreed that quotes should be sought ready for an application to be made.

11. To consider Methodist Church/Village Hall matters

Already covered earlier in the meeting.

12. To consider financial business

- a) To receive bank account balances as at £93,858.09
- b) To receive details of income received
Money banked from Village Hall committee £125.50 and £930.00
Cash held by Village Hall committee is £157.74
- c) To consider the recommended payments

Cozens	£30.00
Wages	£856.35
HMRC	£28.60
HHA – seasonal Inv 10739	£434.26
PKF Littlejohn External audit	£378.00
Vodafone DD	£17.37
Electric est as bill not received yet	£150.00
Userone DD 151024	£3.60
MSJ Methodist Church hall	£20.00
- d) To consider net position
Presented and discussed.
- e) To receive External Auditors closure review letter
The Clerk read the closure review letter and noted that it is published on the website.
- f) To consider alternative methods of paying in cash to the bank
The Clerk reported that cash can be paid into the local post office and the cost would be only 10p more than paying in money at Natwest in King's Lynn. It was felt that it was worth using the post office to save banking at King's Lynn.

13. To consider planning matters

- a) Applications
Any applications that appear on the Borough Council planning portal up to the date of the meeting that require the consultation of the Parish Council will be considered by the Councillors at their scheduled meeting, even if they are not listed on the agenda.
24/00815/F - Retrospective application for an 800mm post and rail fence at Paddock View, School Road St John's Fen End Terrington St John WISBECH Norfolk. Deadline 7th October. – Parish Council will Support this application because post and rail does not obscure the view, however Councillors note a

comment on the application of cherry trees, and we would still encourage the planting of trees being enforced if this was part of a previous condition.

b) Decisions

24/01332/F Terrington St John 12 School Road Terrington St John WISBECH Norfolk PE14 7SE - VARIATION OF CONDITION 3 OF PLANNING PERMISSION 19/00286/CU: Change of use of staff quarters to a dwelling and change of use of the existing workshop to uses which are incidental to the enjoyment of the dwellinghouse Application Permitted 16 September 2024

24/01285/F Terrington St John The Ridings 94 School Road Terrington St John Wisbech Norfolk PE14 7SG - Creation of access. Application Permitted 13 September 2024

24/01317/F Terrington St John The Ridings 94 School Road Terrington St John Wisbech Norfolk PE14 7SG - Proposed extensions, internal and external alterations and garage. Application Permitted 17 September 2024

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c) Address notification

d) Correspondence

The Clerk noted the vehicle access onto School Road Check for the paddocks and wondered if it was a condition not to not use that entrance/exit. It was agreed this should be reported if it was a condition.

14. To receive general correspondence via email during the month and consider any further actions required:

Pass wide and slow took place – Cllr Ware noted it took an hour and vehicles on the whole were supportive but some who went passed fast and another there was another unpleasant incident. This is going to be done again next year. Overall it went well.

15. To receive items for next month's agenda

Budget review

16. Date and time of Ordinary Parish Council Meeting – Will be held on Wednesday 6th November 2024 at 7pm

Councillors noted the date of the next meeting.

17. To resolve on the moving into a closed session, on the grounds of confidentiality in accordance with the Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960 s.1(2)

a) To consider quotes for work required - none.

b) To consider and resolve upon actions relating to Methodist Church/Village Hall matters – considered earlier in the meeting.