# TETFORD & SALMONBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on

Wednesday, 13th November 2024 at 7:30pm, Hamilton Hall, Tetford

**Present:** Chairman Cllr Whitley

 Cllr Osborne

######  Cllr Larder

 Cllr Hoad

 Mrs P Murray (Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer)

The meeting started with 10 minutes for public comments, there were 5 public members in attendance plus

Cllr Simpson. There are 6 – 8 dog kennels which are for training and causing a noise issue but it was said it would be better for the parishioners to complain themselves to East Lindsey District Council (ELDC). The main conversation was regarding the new proposed new development of 9 properties. Cllr Whitley had spoken to Anglian Water regarding his concerns and had been told that the system had more than enough capacity for the extra properties. We are currently waiting for ELDC to make a decision on the date for the planning committee – Cllr Whitley is happy to attend. Cllr Simpson spoke at length about the density of the site noting that the next door site with 8 properties on a smaller site had about the same space and in Planning terms this didn’t constitute a valid planning rejection. Cllr Simpson has also asked Planning to look at the refuse bin situation, the surface water run off and parking for a possible 2-3 cars per property. There is also the problem of a road not having a turning circle for emergency vehicles. Several members of the public have problems with sewerage smells especially after rain. One member of public noticed that one bad pot hole had been mended but there are others in Little London. Cllr Simpson is to take this up with Cllr Marfleet.

The Chairman welcomed everyone and thanked them for their comments – closing the public forum.

**01917 Apologies for absence** – Apologies had been received from Cllr Hazel and Cllr Eves. It **was resolved** to accept all reasons for absence.

**01918 Declarations of Interest** – none

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**01919 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting** held on the 9th October 2024 had been circulated prior to the meeting and **it was resolved** to accept the minutes as correct. The Chairman signed the minutes.

**01920**  **Financial Matters**

* 1. Accounts to be paid/authorised –The Clerk advised that no payments were outstanding for authorisation / payment – the amounts for authorisation this month were:-

 ICO subs £40, laptop £233.04, room hire x2 £32, Microsoft subs £59.99 & wreath £20

* 1. Bank Reconciliation – Bank Reconciliation as at the end of October 2024 had been circulated for review and was accepted as correct, signed by the Chairman and Clerk.
	2. Councillors Budget Statement – Budget statement as of the end of October 2024 was circulated for review and it was accepted as correct and signed by Chairman.
	3. 2025/26 Draft Budget for Precept the Clerk had circulated the calculated precept requirement for the next financial year which was £11,300 – some expenditure was taken from the estimated grass cutting costs and so it was amended to £11,000. This will be reviewed again in January when we have the number of properties available and the income from LCC is known for the grass cutting refund.

**01921 Planning Matters**

None apart from the 9 new properties proposed and mentioned in the public forum.

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**01922 Grass Cutting/Winter Salt**

1. We need to go out to different people to get quotes for the grass cutting contract – Cllr Whitley is going to forward the map and the number of cuts required.
2. The winter salt has already been ordered for village in Hamilton car park.

**01923 Election of a Personnel Committee**

Cllrs Hazel and Eve have put themselves forward for the Personnel Committee. Cllr Eve has some HR documents. Cllr Whitley signed the new Clerks contract which the Clerk had already signed.

**01924 Neighbourhood Projects**

1. War Memorial Steps – Cllr Whitley fixed these before Remembrance Sunday but they do really need the curb increasing. Cllr Simpson suggested the Clerk applying for a grant from ELDC for this work.
2. Bus Shelter – Cllr Marfleet has applied for this from Highways at Lincolnshire County Council but he’s not heard anything. Cllr Hoad is putting a grant application in to ELDC for the bus shelter. There are several sites being looked at to install it – one being near Sandpit Cottages.
3. Removal of overgrown ivy on village trees. It was noted that the removal of ivy from some trees could reduce their overall strength – Cllr Whitley is removing the ivy from his own trees to see how that goes.

**01925 Highways & Footpaths** – The drains around Little London and the pot holes need to be put on Fix My Street. Clerk to put in for free trees from Woodland Trust.

**01926 District Councillors Report** – Cllr Simpson mentioned there is a new scoring system for villages classified on facilities and services. They have reduced the items for each category which will put Tetford into the medium sized village category. There is currently no housing allocation for Tetford but if it falls into the medium sized village then we are less likely to get more housing passed. Also he said that the nuclear waste site at Theddlethorpe has met stiff opposition and so different sites were being considered.

**01927 County Councillors Report –** Cllr Marfleet had been unable to attend the meeting.

**01928 Councillors Reports –** Cllr Whitley mentioned that there was a static caravan in the driveway of Hill View – Tetford. Supposedly the owners of the property were updating their property and living in the caravan meanwhile – Clerk to investigate.

**01929 Items for Next Agenda –**

* Setting the precept for next year
* Gov.uk emails
* Co-option of a Councillor
* Quotes for the Grass cutting contract

**Next Planned Parish Meeting – Wednesday 8th January 2025**

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting.

Meeting closed at 20.55

Chairman ………………………….............. Date ………………………..

Clerk ………………………………………….. Date ………………………..