

Pettaugh Parish Council

M.O. Draft Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 12 September 2019 at 6.30pm at St Catherine's Church, Pettaugh

Present; Cllr Mal Owers (Chair), Cllr Stephen Rowe, Cllr Belinda Bulsing.

One member of the parish was in attendance.

1. Apologies were received from Cll Esther Thornton and accepted.
2. There were no declarations of Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests by Councillors.
3. The draft minutes dated 19 June and 21 August remain in draft. The email from Simon Ashton to Cllr Owers dated 6 September 2019 was read out. It was agreed that Cllr Owers would send an email to Simon Ashton confirming it was understood that Simon was undertaking no further work for the Parish Council after 6 September, in accordance with his own words.
4. A member of the public raised the question of amending the website. Dr Hilary Marlow, Mrs Sheila Janson and Mr Richard Clark all have access to the web and can change the password.
5. Councillors approved a letter and a questionnaire to be filed on 12 September in order to register their disapproval of the Ipswich Northern Routes proposed by the Ipswich Northern Route Consultation.
6. It was agreed that Janet Gobey, Clerk to Little Blakenham Parish Council, should be contacted to see whether she would assist Pettaugh Parish Council as Clerk.

The proposed hand-over of parish files and computer by Simon Ashton to Cllr Bulsing on 27 September was discussed. Until an invoice had been received from Simon for his hours and other expenses incurred, it was not possible to agree a cheque and present this to him on receipt of the files. It was confirmed that the Parish Council intended to make payment to Simon Ashton. Cllr Owers would send an email to Simon cancelling the exchange of files on the 27th, asking for an invoice and saying that his expenses would be discussed at the next Parish Meeting.

7. The positioning of a mirror was discussed. Councillors felt that it would be best located on the church side of the road but were concerned whether it could be a hazard to traffic. It was agreed that the question of a mirror and its location should be raised with Highways.

During the discussion, it was noted that the hedge alongside the pavement to the side of Debenham Way, beside the bus shelter, was very overgrown and a substantial amount of debris was on the pavement. The Councillors agreed that it was a problem and needed to be reported to Highways.

8. It was agreed that Mr Bruce Bysouth should be approached to see whether he would be prepared to organise the VE Celebration in 2020.
9. Any other Business. Mrs Denyer had submitted an invoice with the date of 18th September 2019 on it, when the Parish Meeting had been altered to 12th September due to the need to file a response to the Ipswich Northern Routes Consultation by 13 September (the end of the consultation period). It was agreed that the question of Simon Ashton ceasing to conduct work as discussed at 3 above needed to be clarified before payment could be made, but that payment would be made as soon as practical.

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