

LINGWOOD & BURLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting,

**held at the Lingwood Village Hall Meeting Room, Station Road, Lingwood,
on Tuesday 5th July 2022 at 7.30pm.**

Present were – Vice Chair Brenda Jones, Ian Chapman, Cheryl Grace, Paul Jones, Richard Morton, Roz Simpson, Sophia Walker, Ian White and Sonya Dickinson – Clerk.

22/98. Welcome and Apologies for absence: Apologies were received from Chair David Robinson and Mike Ingram. County Councillor Lana Hemsall will report and leave at 7.45pm.

22/99. Declarations of interest: Richard Morton - finance, as a member of Burlingham Cottage Gardeners. Sonya Dickinson - finance.

22/100. Public Forum: we were joined by 1 member of the public along with District Councillor Clare Ryman-Tubb and County Councillor Lana Hemsall.

Lana - NCC A47 underpass/overpass. This is going through a designated funds application and there hasn't been a definite answer yet. The footway/pedalway from Burlingham to Acle is approved. The costs have gone up so NCC is going to need money from the Government to build it. There is a 3D mock-up of where you can see where the road is going.

Electric charging points – Lana has earmarked money for us for next year from the £10,000 highways fund. (Lana left the meeting @ 7.38pm).

Clare – BDC have been collaborating with South Norfolk District Council and are now moving in together at Broadland Business Park, decreasing costs and carbon footprint. In the last 4 months they have given £280,000 grants between 820 households. The food innovation centre is planned to be opened in September.

Public – I have come to answer any questions you may have about the planning application.

22/101. Minutes of the Meeting 7th June 2022: Were signed as a true record.

22/102. Matters arising from 7th June 2022 Meeting: All items have been reported to the relevant depts.

22/103. Correspondence: a) Richard Hawker – Wensum Valley Alliance – Protest group against roads developed in the area are launching a judicial review against the A47 and Western Link. Asking for financial support from the Parish Council for a pre-action protocol letter which is @ £5,000.

The Parish Council is not against the A47, just disappointed that the underpass/bridge has not been included. **Decision:** It was resolved to not give any money to the protest group.

b) Invitation to bid for the Norfolk County Council Parish Partnership 2023/24. (50% contribution). Past items the Parish Council has bid for; the bus shelters, speed awareness monitor and the 20mph flashing school sign. **Decision:** Councillors to think about any needs the village has that can be bid for, remembering that the Parish Council has to pay the other 50%.

22/104. Planning: a) 20220210898: Remove existing partially demolished prefabricated bungalow. Build 4 bed roomed house. Church View, Church Road, Lingwood, NR13 4TR.

The main reason the previous application was objected to was the excessive height, this has now been lowered. **Decision:** Unanimous support.

22/105. Neighbourhood Plan: Mike gave his apologies so there is nothing to report.

22/106. Millennium Green Tree and Avondale Close Tree: A dead tree needs felling on the Millennium Green- quotes to be considered. £175+VAT. An overgrown tree on Avondale Close – quotes to be considered. £300+VAT. There are also overhanging branches across the footway on Post Office Road, on the corner of the green. This land now belongs to the Parish Council, so the tree surgeon has been asked to check them out and do any necessary work. £300+VAT. The quote was acceptable for all three jobs. **Decision:** It was resolved to give the go ahead to Crown Tree Services for the works as soon as possible, obviously checking for nesting birds.

22/107. Jubilee Bench: To discuss an additional or alternative siting for the Jubilee bench. An e-mail has been received to reconsider the siting of the bench, to a verge on the corner of Alison Close or on Homelea land, due to it not being seen by many people at the chosen site. It was previously resolved to put it on the mound on the field at the back of the Village Hall, which is a lovely spot and would be a welcome resting place when walking the area. **Decision:** Keep the previous resolution and put the bench on the Village Hall site.

22/108. GNLP: To discuss removing the Station Road site from the GNLP before full approval in September. It was discussed at the Jan 2022 meeting about the Station Road site being unsuitable and asking for it to be removed from the GNLP. It seems that due to the objection from residents, who live near to the site, against the whole of the Post Office Road site being used, the GNLP threw an even more unsuitable piece of land on the plan. It was mentioned at the January meeting that TPO's for the trees and hedge along the front of Dairy Farm should be sought. The Post Office Road site was contested by Parishioners and homeowners opposite as the GNLP wanted to use the whole site, but if it went back to part of the field to the right being used and the rest of the allocation being made up with the land on Chapel Road, opposite Neves close, as before, they were never contested. These have always been the preferred sites as they are on the correct side of the village and more infill than on the outskirts like the Station Road site. **Decision:** TPO's to be put on the Station Road trees and hedge, Cllr Paul Jones will circulate the details Cathy gave him. Ask the GNLP to reconsider and not put the Station Road site forward.

22/109. Running Track: Cllr Paul Jones – This is ongoing, I am still waiting for the Citizens Advice Bureau to come back to me. I have e-mailed NR11 Groundworks again but have still not had anything back from them.

We could send a letter by recorded delivery?

What about e-mailing NR11 Groundworks and cc Trading Standards?

Brenda – Thank you for doing that on the Council's behalf. Should there be signs up warning the public about the uneven surface?

The land belongs to the Village Hall so the Clerk will contact them and see what they wish to do.

22/110. Highways and A47: The A47 has been approved but without the underpass/bridge to join Lingwood and North Burlingham. – What can we say? The Minister agreed with National Highways that it was not necessary. Other places along the A47 have them, why not us? They are starting works in October.

Can we write to Lana to thank her for her support and clarify where the designated fund is coming from and whether it will definitely be sorted before the October start date? Write to National Highways to let them know we are disappointed that there will be no Roadshow at Lingwood but only at Acle and Blofield.

22/111. Finance: a) Payments authorised: i) S. Dickinson – N. Plan Website £7.20 June to July (chq 2467).

ii) K. Monsey Cemetery Grass June £260 – an extra cut was made in June so the bill is £325 (chq 272).

iii) re- issue of lost cheque for Burlingham Cottage Gardeners £70 (chq 2470).

iv) Clerk's expenses April/May/June. £228.93 (chq 2468).

v) British Gas – MUGA electricity £164.46 E (chq 2469).

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.16

There is no planned meeting in August.

Next meeting of the Parish Council is on 6th September 2022 at 7.30pm.