

## **AGM of the Parish Council**

**Tuesday April 13, 2021 at 7.45pm; the meeting was held online**

***Cllrs Tania Farrow, Nick Farrow and Kerina Jane were present, together with the Clerk, Rod Caird. Four members of the public attended the meeting***

1/130421	<b>To elect the Chair and Deputy Chair for 2019/20</b>  Tania Farrow was elected Chair and Nick Farrow was elected Deputy Chair without contest.
2/130421	<b>Apologies and approvals of absence</b>  None
3/130421	<b>Co-option of additional Parish Councillors (if any)</b>  As noted at the Annual Parish Meeting Cllr Jane Gilmore has decided to step down from the Council owing to pressure of work; Councillors thanked her for her invaluable contribution. The two vacancies on the Council would be advertised and volunteers sought who could be co-opted at future meetings.
4/130421	<b>Declarations of interest and requests for dispensation</b>  None
5/130421	<b>To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on March 24, 2021</b>  The minutes were approved with a typo corrected.
6/130421	<b>Members of the public are invited to make any comments on items on the Agenda or to raise issues for consideration at future meetings</b>  Issues of concern had already been raised at the Annual Parish Meeting. The District and County Councillors were unable to attend.
7/130421	<b>To consider any current or new planning applications, and to consider issues arising from inquiries concerning Town Farm</b>  Tania Farrow will draft a response to the Thorndon chicken shed planning appeal. Further consideration will be given to the Town Farm situation though it is recognised that high costs are involved in engaging a professional planning consultant.

8/130421	<p><b>To consider an update on the Village Hall renovation</b></p> <p>Application is being made to the Mid Suffolk grants process and the District and County Councillors will also be approached for support.</p>
9/130421	<p><b>To review progress on the Quiet Lanes project</b></p> <p>Full public consultation will take place in July following the results of traffic surveys.</p>
10/130421	<p><b>To receive a report from the Clerk on the current financial position and any payments due, and to authorise the Chair and Clerk to sign the formal audit paperwork for 2020/21</b></p> <p>A bank reconciliation for the year ended March 31 was presented, showing a balance of £ £4,169.09. The Chair and Clerk were authorised to completed the end-of-year audit paperwork based on that figure and the detail in the online cashbook.</p> <p>A further bank reconciliation for the period April 1–April 11 shows a balance of £5,792.09, the first instalment of the precept having been received.</p>
11/130421	<p><b>Correspondence and urgent matters to the brought to the attention of the Parish Council</b></p> <p>The exact boundaries of the land around the Village Hall are in the process of being confirmed.</p>
12/130421	<p><b>To confirm dates and venues for Parish Council meetings during 2021/22</b></p> <p>The next meeting, on May 26, 2021, will be held in the Church; legal authority for online meetings expires on May 6.</p>