

**Minutes of the Meeting of Filby Parish Council held on
Monday 29th July 2024 at 7pm at Filby Club Room**

Present: Adrian Thompson (Chairman)
John Baldry
Derek Nicker
Ian Richardson
David Shaw
Catherine Moore, Parish Clerk

Also present: 7 members of the public.

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Lynette Hutchinson.

2. Declaration of Interest for items on the agenda

Adrian Thompson and Ian Richardson declared an interest in item 6c as their properties were within the potential development boundary.

3. Public Forum

a) Public

A member of the public asked the contractor to be reminded to use a leaf blower when strimming.

ACTION: AT

A member of the public noted that a moth and bat evening was being hosted at the church on Friday, which might see some activity around the area of the church.

4. Finance

a) Payments made between meetings

A&W Cushion Ltd	Additional Timber for Boardwalk	£371.70
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5. Correspondence

a) Parish Partnership Scheme 2025/26

The Clerk noted that the Parish Partnership Scheme was open for applications, any projects should be brought to the September meeting for pricing, which would then be incorporated into the budget setting process.

Ian Richardson suggested that the footpath to the church could be improved as some sections were becoming impassable, this could be achieved with stone and a whacker. The Clerk was asked to put this on the next agenda.

ACTION: Clerk

b) General Correspondence

None.

6. Other Matters

a) Broads Authority Development Boundary for Filby

A consultation from the Broads Authority regarding inclusion of a development boundary in Filby had been received. There were two options proposed, which were similar to the current situation. It was noted that the development boundary would protect the Broad and protect the properties in that area. It was **agreed** to support Option 2, proposed by Ian Richardson, seconded by David Shaw, all in favour.

ACTION: Clerk

b) Pedestrian Crossing Assessment

The pedestrian crossing assessment had been received and circulated, and the Clerk was asked to publish this on the website. **ACTION: Clerk**

There were five options presented within the report, from timed 20mph zones with flashing signs, to pedestrian crossings. Prices varied from £12,000 for zoned 20mph to £250,000 for a fully pedestrian crossing under lights. Fleggburgh had been funded under the Active Travel Fund. It was estimated that a third of the traffic from the new Caister development would go through Filby, which could be an additional 400,000 vehicle movements per year.

It was suggested that the crossing further to the east was most appropriate, with an extension to the footpath on Thrigby Road allowing the dropped kerb already on Thrigby Road to be utilised. If funding was available for traffic lights, these should be included. It was **agreed** to support Option 5 with an amendment to the location of the Thrigby Road crossing and taking out the proposal to remove the bollards outside Lek House, proposed by Derek Nicker, seconded by John Baldry, all in favour. The Clerk was asked to go back to Norfolk County Council about this, asking the Council to apply to the Active Travel Fund for this. **ACTION: Clerk**

c) Update on Neighbourhood Plan

Adrian Thompson presented prices for a review of the Neighbourhood Plan, which would cost £7,100 plus VAT. It was noted that there were no further housing allocations proposed for Filby. It was noted that funding was still available, with a further £8,000 available to the Parish Council. It was **agreed** to ask Collective Community Planning to pursue the grant from Locality, proposed by Ian Richardson, seconded by Derek Nicker, all in favour. **ACTION: AT**

The key areas for review were:

- Development boundaries
- Biodiversity
- Affordable housing options
- Speed camera – revenue generating – and other speed deterrents
- Limiting holiday accommodation through the planning process
- Review of Tree Preservation Orders

7. **Items for the next agenda**

Neighbourhood Plan

8. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting would take place on **Wednesday 4th September 2024** at 7pm at Filby Club Room. Agenda items to the Clerk by 22nd August 2024.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm.

CHAIRMAN