

FRECKENHAM PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting of Freckenham Parish Council held on
Monday 12th June 2023 at 7.30 pm at Freckenham Village Hall

Present: Cllr G Tucker, Cllr F McCoig, Cllr T Smith, Cllr S Smith, Cllr P Brooks

In attendance: Clerk, Jadi Coe and four members of the public

Cllr G Tucker welcomed everyone to the meeting

23/06/01 To elect a Chairman for the year 2023/2024

It was resolved to elect Cllr G Tucker as Chairman for 2023/2024 proposed by Cllr T Smith, all in favour.

23/06/02 To elect a Vice-Chairman for the year 2023/2024

It was resolved to elect Cllr P Brooks as Vice-Chairman for 2023/2024 proposed by Cllr G Tucker, all in favour.

23/06/03 Apologies for absence & approval of reasons tendered

One resident gave their apologies.

23/06/04 Declaration of interest in any items on the agenda

None

23/06/05 Members of the public are invited to give their views on any item within the agenda

A member of the public advised the council to put an article in the Parish Pump regarding the playing field.

23/06/06 To receive reports from the County Councillor, District Councillor and to receive the Police Reports

Reports received via email, and circulated to members.

23/06/07 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 24th April 2023

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 24th April 2023, proposed by Cllr T Smith, seconded by Cllr G Tucker, all in favour.

23/06/08 To appoint Council representatives for 2023/2024

- 8.1. SALC – Cllr P Brooks
- 8.2. Freckenham Shores Charity – Cllr S Smith
- 8.3. Village Hall Committee - Cllr G Tucker

23/06/09 To confirm Working Groups for 2022/2023

- 9.1. Right of Way Improvement – It was agreed not to appoint an individual
- 9.2. Standing Orders – clerk, Jadi Coe
- 9.3. Risk Assessment – Cllr S Smith
- 9.5. Community Speed Watch – Cllrs G Tucker and P Brooks
- 9.6. Recreation field - Cllr T Smith
- 9.7 Neighbourhood Plan – Cllr G Tucker

23/06/10 Planning

10.1 To consider any planning applications

DC/23/0777/HH - Householder planning application - a. window replaced with door to front elevation and replacement front door b. single storey side and rear extensions (following demolition of existing structures) c. replacement windows to all elevations at Foregood House, Chippenham Road, Freckenham, Suffolk, IP28 8JA.

It was resolved that Freckenham Parish Council have no objections to the application, proposed by Cllr T Smith, seconded by Cllr G Tucker, all in favour.

DC/23/0712/FUL – Planning application agricultural barn for storage and new access at Barn, Ferry, Worlington, Suffolk

It was resolved that Freckenham Parish Council OBJECT to application DC/23/0712/FUL for barn and new access, reason being is that the access point would be unsafe for cars to use, due to its location on a narrow, dangerous road, proposed by Cllr A Smith, seconded by Cllr P Brooks, all in favour

10.2 Freckenham Neighbourhood Plan update

No update.

The clerk was asked to contact West Suffolk Council in regard to the village classification and whether there were any updates.

23/06/11 Recreation Ground and other assets

Cllr T Smith confirmed grass cutting was up to date and the work on the paths was in progress.

It was resolved to purchase a brush cutter for £335.20 net, proposed by Cllr T Smith, seconded by Cllr G Tucker, all in favour. Cllr T Smith confirmed the lawn mower would continue to be stored at the allotments but in a new shed. This would be at no cost to the council.

Cllr S Smith confirmed she had emptied the bins on the playing fields as they are not collected by West Suffolk Council. It was agreed to keep one concrete bin on the playing field and purchase a sign asking users to not use the bin for dog waste but to use the designated dog waste bins.

23/06/12 Highways issues

The issues of speeding in the village were discussed. It was agreed to ask both Cllr L Stanbury and Cllr D Taylor if they would consider donating some of their locality/Highways funding to help towards the costs of purchasing at least one more SID.

23/06/13 Financial Matters:

13.1 To consider any quotes received

None

13.2 To confirm payment of invoices

None

13.3 Consider and approve bank mandates

It was resolved to approve the bank mandate adding Cllrs T Smith, S Smith and P Brooks as signatories, and removing ex-councillors.

23/06/14 Correspondence Received

None

23/06/15 Parish Pump

The deadline advertised for articles in the Summer 2023 edition, is Friday 30th June.

It was agreed that Cllr G Tucker would write a Parish Council article and Cllr T Smith would write an article about the playing fields.

23/06/16 Urgent Business

A member of the public asked whether the council would consider cutting the part of the Circular Path by Elms Barn once the brush cutter was purchased as the area is too narrow for a ride on lawn mower.

The meeting closed at 8:26pm

Jadi Coe,
Clerk to the Council