



Minutes of the Tilney All Saints Annual Parish Meeting Held on Thursday 8th May 2025 at 6.30pm in the village hall.

Light refreshments had been available prior to the meeting from 6.15pm.

	Present: Cllr A. Laughton – Chair, Cllr. P. Hodgson, Cllr. C. Barley, Cllr B. Giles, Cllr J. Pitt joined the meeting during item 4, County Cllr. J. Kirk joined the meeting during item 4, S. Kaye (Parish Clerk) and two residents. One resident joined the meeting during item 4.
1.	Welcome and to Receive Apologies for Absence. Cllr Laughton welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending. Apologies had been received from Cllr Grange, Cllr Mole and Borough Councillor S. Bearshaw.
2.	Introduction to Parish Councillors. The Parish Councillors present introduced themselves.
3.	To Approve the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 30th May 2024. Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 30th May 2024 were approved as a true and accurate record. Minutes signed by Cllr. Laughton.
4.	Report on the Work of the Parish Council Over the Past Year. Cllr Laughton, as Chair of the Parish Council, gave his report on the work of the Parish Council over the past twelve months. (See appendix 1) Cllr. Laughton expressed his thanks to all Councillors, the previous Parish Clerk (Lisa Delbecque) and the Responsible Finance Officer (Janet Fuller) for all their work for the parish during the year.. Thanks, was also given to Cllr Bearshaw and Cllr Kirk for acting as excellent representatives for the parish and for their continued help, support and guidance.
5	Presentation of the Tilney All Saints Community Award for 2024. The recipient of the Tilney All Saints Community Award for 2024 had been agreed as the Tilney All Saints Speed watch Team. The award was to recognise the work of the team over the past fifteen months.

	Certificate was presented on behalf of the Parish Council by Cllr Laughton to Cllr Pitt, member of and representative for the Speed watch team.
6	Report and Update from the Village Hall Committee. The Chair of the Village Hall Committee (VHC) presented his report. The entire hall had been redecorated in June 2024. The project to install solar panels and batteries begun in 2017 was finally completed in December 2024. Solar panels had been fully funded by CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) and VCSE (Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise) under their energy efficiency scheme. The initial hitches with billing were explained and the impact of savings were now being seen on electricity costs. The car park had been re-gravelled again in February 2025. The modernization of the village hall had led to the need for a Mechanical Ventilation with Heat Recovery (MVHR) system to be installed. This project was ongoing. Problems recruiting new members to the VHC and volunteers to help at events was briefly discussed. For the third year a successful Warm Hub, funded by the Norfolk Community Foundation, had been held from November 2024 to April 2025. This had now been replaced by "Eleveneses" being held every Wednesday from 11am to 1pm. Easter and Autumn fayres had been held. It was hoped another quiz night could be arranged. Residents could support the village hall via the weekly online raffle West Norfolk Wins, using easyfundraising when shopping online and there was also the clothes and shoe bank located in the village hall car park. The hall had fourteen regular users, up from ten, plus two monthly meetings. Twelve parties had been held over the year and five annual meetings. Other events included, craft fayres, gaming days, marquee cleaning, music practice, polling day and a workshop. Thanks were expressed to Parish, Borough and County councillors for their continuing support and also to all the regular hall users.
7	Report from the Village Speed Watch Team. This had been covered under item 4. Resident raised a query that not enough speed checks were being undertaken at the Station Road end of the village. Cllr Laughton explained that the Speed watch team were only permitted to operate in 30mph zones. The data collected by the SAM camera when located in Church Road showed vehicles were not travelling at such high speeds as those along School Road.

	Speeding for one particular area from Station Road along Church Road was raised. Councillors advised this section was a national speed limit (60mph) area, before entering the village and becoming a 30mph zone.
8	Annual Residents Survey – How would residents prefer the annual survey to be undertaken? There had been a poor number of responses to the 2024 annual residents survey, which had taken place solely online. The previous years' survey had been carried out face to face at the coronation picnic event and online. Those present felt a mixture of being able to complete the survey online together with hard copies of the survey being made available would reach more residents and hopefully increase the number of responses. The Chair of the VHC confirmed he would be happy to have copies of the survey available in the hall, especially for coffee mornings/elevenses.
9	To Discuss Future Events and Projects for the Village. Planting rows of daffodils or bluebells along the edge of the Millennium Green between the fencing and the verge was suggested. This project would also link into the Biodiversity Plan. No suggestions for future events were raised.
10	To Discuss the Parish Council Biodiversity Plan & Projects. Copies of the Parish Council Biodiversity Plan had been available during the meeting. No suggestions or comments were made other than the project raised under item 9.
11	Presentations & Reports from Local Groups and Organisations No representatives from local groups and organisations were present and no reports had been submitted.

Meeting closed at 7.35pm.

Residents were invited to stay for the Parish Council meeting which was to follow.

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Appendix 1

Chairman's Report

Lisa Delbecque has resigned as Clerk, I am extremely grateful for Stella Kaye, our previous Clerk who has stepped in on a strictly temporary basis to man the fort until a new Clerk is appointed. We have had an application and have interviewed a local gentleman whose appointment will be ratified tonight.

- A 13 man Community Speedwatch Team have been annoying a minority of motorists since the 7th February 2024. We are among the most active groups in Norfolk. We have reported 556 motorists in 163 sessions totalling 250 hours, the highest speed we've reported is 52mph along School Road. We reported 19 vehicles on 17th Oct and 21 vehicles on the 23rd October 2024 in two, two hour sessions. The highest number reported recently is 11 on the 4th April 2025. We get a mixture of responses ranging from thumbs up and friendly waves to other gestures and comments such as "get a life".
- The PC will be adding an additional CCTV Camera in the Millennium Green Car Park to assist with security and deter vandalism and "Do-nutting". We will also be replacing the rotten fence posts.
- Most of the members of the PC routinely and regularly work on maintenance issues, clearing rubbish and vegetation from dykes, regularly emptying bins, repairing fences, clearing trees, putting up signs, gate fastenings and checking play equipment. This work is not always seen by other members of the community but I want to mention and recognise this contribution here.
- I'd like to see some younger members of the community joining us old fogeys on the Parish Council to rejuvenate us.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all the Parish Councillors for their help and support, to thank Lisa in her absence for her contributions, and Stella for helping us out once again.

I also want to thank Cllr Julian Kirk and Cllr Steve Bearshaw very much for providing their considerable assistance and advice throughout the year. Report from Chair of
Tilney All Saints Parish Council

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