

LATCHINGDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 27 September 2018 at 7.00 pm in the Parish Room, The Village Hall, Burnham Road, Latchingdon, Essex

PRESENT: Cllr Lynn Robinson (Vice Chair), Cllr Graham Rogers, Cllr Gill Winsor, District
Cllr Bob Boyce and Cllr Dale Symons (arrived late at 7.20pm)

In attendance: Nikki Harman

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr J. Ruocco and District Cllr B Acevado

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING(s)

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 27 July 2018 were reviewed and approved and signed by the Vice Chair.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None declared at this point in the meeting.

4. CO-OPTION OF PARISH COUNCILLORS

It was discussed two (known already to the committee) potential Parish Councillors have expressed an interest. Clerk to write to their home address advising them of the formalities of their interest and an invite to write to the Parish Council their reasons for becoming a Councillor.

The two candidates will be invited to attend the next Parish Meeting of 25 October whereby a vote will take place to co-opt them onto the Parish Council.

5. PUBLIC SESSION

No members of the public.

6. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

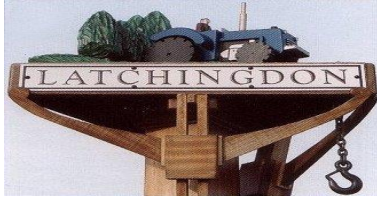
Cllr Bob Boyce explained in detail how Maldon District Council have gone through structural change and now have a three-director model. A significant medium-term financial plan has started saving £1.5 million each year, which will have major consequences to the structure and services.

Cllr Boyce also commented on the 100 years memorial of WW1 and the various events that will be held in the district and expressed a delight at the positive feedback from the Tommy statue in each Parish.

Signed *Dale Symons*
Cllr Dale Symons
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7. CLERK'S REPORT.

Various actions were noted including those actions to be met by Councillors.

8. HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT REPORT

- a) No current defects reported.
- b) No update at this time for transport.
- c) No update from Local Highways Panel.

9. PLANNING

The Planning meeting followed the Parish Council meeting.

10. LATCHINGDON SOUTH DEVELOPMENT

- a) Cllr Symons explained that our solicitor was still awaiting final approval of S.106 agreement. Until this is approved we are unable to pursue anything further as there is no money in the bank.
A lengthy discussion was exchanged at the frustration of being no further forward than 6 months ago.
It was agreed for the Clerk to chase all parties concerned.
- b) The Chair and Clerk signed and witnessed the change of business name for Strutt & Parker Solicitors. Noted that the terms and condition remain the same.

11. ALLOTMENTS

Council noted the following from the Clerk:

- a) Still outstanding - Cllr Symons to look at security gates and fix realignment.
- b) Council objected to leaseholders wanting to keep honey bees on site.

12. CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence received noted.

13. RESIDENT AID FOR HIGHWAYS

Councillors considered and agreed to emailing ECC. Highways in support of parish resident at crouch valley court who has repeated problems with builders' contractors large vehicles from the Latchingdon Park Development. The vehicles do not have enough room to turn right onto the Burnham Road and are using the grass outside resident's property as part of their turning circle. Not only are they damaging property but there is a risk to the children playing in the garden.

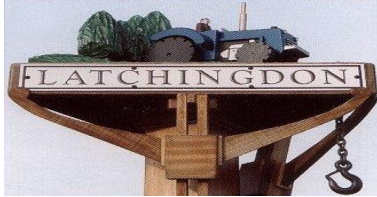
ECC highways have advised her to get support from parish council to seek help from the department.

Clerk to email ECC Highways.

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14. FINANCE/PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

- a) Reviewed, agreed and signed payments and receipts for August and September 2018
- b) Considered and agreed to donate same amount as 2017 to Essex and Herts Air Ambulance.
- c) Considered and agreed to purchase a wreath for the Latchingdon War Memorial on behalf of the Parish Council.
- d) Considered and agreed to making a donation to the Church specifically for the grass cutting of the Church yard at Latchingdon Church and St Michaels Churchyard and the running costs of the bimonthly Parish News. This will be the same amount as 2017.

15. TRAINING

No update. Cllr Robinson apologised for non attendance at Planning Training 15/09/2018.

16. VILLAGE HALL AND KING GEORGE V PLAYING FIELD AND POND

- a. Committees to follow this meeting.

17. REVIEW AND AGREE RISK ASSESSMENT

- a. Councillors agreed and adopted.

18. REVIEW AND AGREE FINANCIAL REGULATIONS POLICY.

- a. Councillors agreed and adopted .

19. TO UPDATE MEMBERS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED NOT SHOWN AS A SEPARATE AGENDA ITEM OR MEETING TO BE ATTENDED.

Cllr L Robinson gave apologies for the next meeting in October.

20. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

27 October 2018 7.00 p.m.

Meeting ended at 8.20 p.m.

Signed *Dale Symons*
Cllr Dale Symons
Chair

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