

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 24th September 2015 at 7.30 pm in the Parish Room. The Village Hall, Burnham Road, Latchingdon, Essex

PRESENT: Cllr Dale Symons (Vice-Chair) Cllr Graham Rogers,

Cllr Dave Banner, Cllr Lynn Robinson, Cllr Jacqueline Ruocco

& Cllr Gill Winsor. Mr. Simon Butler Finbow.

In attendance: Sarah Sayer Members of the public: 1

Cllr Symons welcomed everyone present and opened the meeting at 7.30 p.m.

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr Dave Moore due to illness.

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 30th July 2015

a) The minutes were proposed by Cllr Ruocco and seconded by Cllr Rogers and approved by all present – clerk to correct those present taking out Cllr Banner and putting in Cllr Robinson and reprint to be signed as a true and accurate account of the meeting at the meeting to be held on 29th October.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

a) None declared at this point in the meeting.

4. PUBLIC SESSION AND POLICE REPORT

It was mentioned that some people were experiencing problems with parking outside their houses in The Street nr the Shop and it was stated that you could call the police on 101 or Essex County Council Highways.

5. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

No report available at this time.

6. HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT REPORT

- a) The outage of the light at the Zebra crossing in The Street was reported together with the problem of a big puddle forming every time it rains heavily o/s No. 37 Lawlinge Road. Clerk to contact Highways.
- b) Transport ECC are carrying out a public consultation from 17/9 to 21/10/15. It appears that there are going to be no changes to the "D" services for Latchingdon residents and further details can be reviewed

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- on the website www.essex.gov.uk/busreview for any proposed changes and a questionnaire is available to be filled in by all bus users.
- c) Cllr Rogers informed members that the flooding situation is a total nightmare and what was envisaged to be the most straight-forward solution is no longer the case please see detailed report appended to the minutes from Cllr Rogers.
 - No news regarding the request for a S.I.D. from the Local Highways panel. However, members are aware that this can be a long drawn out process and dependant upon budget funds available.

7. PLANNING & NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

- a) The Planning meeting is to follow the Parish Council meeting.
- b) Update relating to Latchingdon South Proposed development will be discussed during the course of the planning meeting.
- c) Two public exhibition dates have been fixed for Robert Mulholland to display the proposed plans for a development on Sharps Farm, 6th and 10th October.
- d) Cllr Symons handed his personal I.D. documents to the Clerk so that an account can be opened at the solicitors.

8. PARISH PATHS

a) It was noted that various PROW had not been cut in by the farmer. Cllr Moore/Cllr Robinson still to speak to some land owners, especially the footpath that runs by the metal gate off The Street nr. 61 The Street.

9. ALLOTMENTS

- a) No further complaints had been received in relation to the rats and MDC were making regular visits.
- a) No update available re loss of fencing.
- b) Clerk still to send letter re overgrown allotment.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence noted.

11. FINANCE/PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

- a) The payments were reviewed, agreed and signed off for August and September 2015.
- b) It was resolved to send Essex Air Ambulance £200.00 as a donation.

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c) Members to let the Clerk know of any projects they would like to be priced up for the upcoming budget/precept meeting in November so they can be considered. A couple of suggestions were outdoor fitness equipment and a new hoop and safety tarmac for the goal apparatus.

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

Any items pertaining to this section were dealt with at separate committee meetings prior to this one.

13. PLAY AREA'S

- a) Clerk was still waiting to hear from community pay back team to see what they could do on the list which would then only cost materials. Clerk to chase yet again.
- b) The application for the grant is to be put in on 25th September 2015.

14. TREE MANAGEMENT

a) Plans and drafts are being drawn up behind the scenes and will be presented to the council in due course.

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

a) Cllr Winsor will try and attend the EPFA AGM on 15th October.

16. DONATION OF THE DEFIBRILLATOR BY EAST OF ENGLAND CO-OP.

a) Initial response received from the MRH regarding the light situation but there was no mention of Parish being able to put up the defibrillator. Clerk to send another email.

17. BP GARAGE - POSSIBLE LIGHT POLLUTION

a) A response from both BP and MRH the managers of the garage in regard to the light pollution and they are looking into this problem. Cllr Rogers to monitor to see if situation improves.

18. WEBSITE/FACEBOOK/CRIME IN THE DENGIE FB PAGE(S)

- a) The website is being kept up to date with pertinent information
- b) The social media policy is being drafted and will be presented at the November meeting.

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- 19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING 29th October 2015 at 7.00 p.m. as there are no committee meetings that night. Planning Committee Meeting to following the PC meeting.
- 20. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Meeting closed at 8.15 p.m.

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