

## **LATCHINGDON PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on  
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2016 at 7.30 pm in the Parish Room.  
The Village Hall, Burnham Road, Latchingdon, Essex**

**PRESENT:** Cllr Dave Moore (Chair), Cllr Dale Symons (Vice-Chair)  
Cllr Graham Rogers & Cllr Gill Winsor.  
In attendance: Sarah Sayer  
Members of the public: 0

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

### **1. APOLOGIES**

Cllr Dave Banner, Cllr Jacqueline Ruocco & Cllr Lynn Robinson.

### **2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 26/11/15**

- a) The minutes of the meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2015 were Proposed by Cllr Dale Symons and Seconded by Cllr Graham Moore and signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting by the Chairman.

### **3. MINUTES OF THE PRECEPT/BUDGET MEETING HELD ON 17/12/15**

- a) The minutes of the meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2015 were Proposed by Cllr Dale Symons and Seconded by Cllr Graham Moore and signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting by the Chairman.

### **4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

- a) None declared at this point in the meeting.

### **5. PUBLIC SESSION**

No public present.

### **6. POLICE REPORT**

- No police report available.
- Members noted the date of the election of the Police Crime Commissioner on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May and that the Village Hall will used as a polling station, Blackwater Dog Training have been notified that they will be unable to use the hall that night.

### **7. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

No report as District Council Meeting taking place at the same time.

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### **8. HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT REPORT**

- a) No other outages reported at this time and the two that had been reported have been fixed.
- b) Cllr Rogers reiterated that the meeting had been postponed until February so will not have an update until March meeting.
- c) Cllr Rogers reiterated to the members that the affected householders had agreed to the work taking place in their properties as described by the ECC Flood Management Team and Environment Dept. It was also stated that the work would be carried out at a suitable time to the landowner so not to disrupt the arable calendar.
- d) There is still no news to date regarding the request made to the Highways panel for a SID for The Street and Burnham Road, but both projects are evident on the Local Highways Panel listing.

### **9. DAMAGE TO BUS STOP SIGN OUTSIDE VILLAGE HALL.**

- a) Once reported the sign was corrected within 24 hours.

### **10. TURNCOLE WIND FARM CONSTRUCTION TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT**

- a) It was stated that the turbines would be transported in by water and that aggregates and other materials would come in by road and this could involve more than 1700 vehicle movements.

### **11. PLANNING & NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

- a) The Planning meeting to follow the Parish Council meeting.
- b) Latchingdon South Proposed development is going to be putting in an appeal, but has requested copies of various documents relating to the old Allotment site to ensure that there is no hold on the land.
- c) No news has been heard from the Sharps Farm Developers.

### **12. PARISH PATHS**

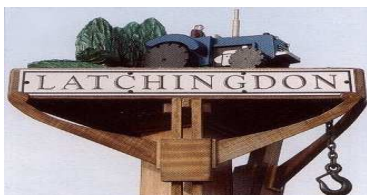
- a) Cllr Moore reiterated that the foot path sign was down outside No. 61. Down. Clerk to chase yet again.

### **13. ALLOTMENTS**

- a) Clerk informed members that unfortunately she had not had enough time to check to see if the overgrown allotment had been tidied but would follow up before next meeting.
- b) Clerk informed members that a letter had been received from Ms. Tutt regarding removal of the chicken pens and that she felt that the Parish Council were blaming her for the whole of the rate problem, which is not the case and Cllr Moore said he would speak to Ms Tutt to assure her that this was not the case and that the chicken pens on her allotment were only part of the problem.

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- c) Clerk informed members that one of the allotment holders has relinquished their allotment so the next person on the waiting list has been contacted and just waiting for a response.

### **14. CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondence noted.

- i. The Clerk Magazine.
- ii. The Essex Playing Field Autumn Newsletter
- iii. Hardwood Shelters catalogue
- iv. MDC Schedule of all meetings
- v. MDC Minutes and Reports of the Council – Bk 1 and 2
- vi. Clerks and Council Direct Mag.
- vii. Christmas Card – MSJ Garwood and Sons
- viii. Christmas Card MDC Leader of the Council & Deputy Leader
- ix. Christmas Card – Chairman of the MDC

### **15. FINANCE/PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

- a) The payments were reviewed, agreed and signed for January 2016.  
Prop: Cllr Moore and Seconded: Cllr Winsor.

### **16. TRAINING**

- a) No training issues arose.

### **17. VILLAGE HALL AND KING GEORGE V PLAYING FIELD AND POND**

- a) All items under these headings will be dealt with in the committee meetings held prior to this meeting.

### **18. PLAY AREA'S**

- a) Clerk re-iterated to members that the community payback team would be able to do the very low risk repairs, but not until the weather was better and it is likely this will now be in the spring.
- b) No news regards the cable swing funding.

### **19. TREE MANAGEMENT**

- a) Plans and drafts are being drawn up behind the scenes and will be presented to the council in due course.
- b) Members noted that ECC had informed the Parish Council that 17 trees would be removed/cut back in the woods that back onto Snoreham Gardens, this is in line with the 1965 agreement between ECC and the Parish Council and to the tenacity of one of the residents of Snoreham Gardens who has been concerned of the lack of light due to the trees for some time.

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- 20. TO UPDATE MEMBERS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED NOT SHOWN AS A SEPARATE AGENDA ITEM OR MEETING TO BE ATTENDED.**
- a) LCLC – Unfortunately this meeting was not attended by any of the members so no update available at this time.
  - b) Cllr Moore has accepted to go along to MDC offices to meet the Leader of the Council on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> February between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.
  - c) Cllr Moore & Cllr Banner attended the DHGPC meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> January where Chief Inspector Alan Cook attended and made a good contribution to the meeting and mentioned that Adam Pipe was currently working on the Dengie Peninsula concerning traffic problems and road safety. He mentioned the cut backs being made and how they would affect the district. The bulk of time is now taken up with slavery/child abuse and cyber crime. The ANPR (automatic number plate recognition) units will be placed in/or near Latchingdon, the idea being that they will clock traffic onto and off the Dengie Peninsula. Also information pertaining to the changes occurring in the Essex Fire and Rescue Service were discussed and more information was going to be sent to the Parishes.
- 21. DONATION OF THE DEFIBRILLATOR BY EAST OF ENGLAND CO-OP.**
- a) Cllr Banner will be purchasing various things needed to install the defibrillator on his house. Check email.
- 22. BP GARAGE – POSSIBLE LIGHT POLLUTION**
- a) No further problems have been reported – Clerk to remove item from agenda.
- 23. WEBSITE/FACEBOOK/CRIME IN THE DENGIE FB PAGE(S)**
- a) The website is being kept up to date with pertinent information
  - b) Facebook is kept up to date and reviewed daily.
- 24. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA & DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 25<sup>th</sup> February 2016 at 7.00 p.m.** as there are committee meetings that night. The Planning Committee Meeting to following the PC meeting. **Members to consider the new Schedule of meetings and whether they would prefer the meeting to take place on 24<sup>th</sup> March or 31<sup>st</sup> March.**

**Meeting closed at 8.20 p.m.**

Signed.....  
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