

Margaret Roding Parish Council

MINUTES

Ordinary Meeting of Margaret Roding Parish Council

held on Tuesday 11th July 2017, at 7.30pm at The Farmhouse, Reid Rooms

Present Cllr Peter Briggs
Cllr Simon Phillips (Chairman)
Cllr Chris Turner
Clerk Allison Ward

Residents and Visitors 0

1	<p style="text-align: center;">Apologies for absence</p> <p>Cllrs Lee Cooper, Ian Crisp and Lorraine Player sent apologies to the meeting and these were accepted.</p> <p>In the absence of the chairman and vice chairman, the Clerk asked the Cllrs present to elect a chairman for the meeting; Cllr Phillips agreed to chair the meeting and all were in agreement.</p>	
2	<p style="text-align: center;">Declaration of Interest for this meeting</p> <p>None</p>	
3	<p style="text-align: center;">Public Forum</p> <p>Nothing to report</p>	
4	<p style="text-align: center;">Minutes</p> <p>Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting 16th May 2017 were proposed by Cllr Phillips as a true record, seconded by Cllr Briggs with all in agreement; the Chairman of the meeting signed the minutes.</p>	
5	<p style="text-align: center;">County and District Cllr Report</p> <p>County and District Cllr Susan Barker sent her apologies to the meeting</p>	
6.1	<p style="text-align: center;">Clerk's Progress Update and Correspondence</p> <p>Cllr Turner proposed that Margaret Roding Parish Council takes part in the Essex County Council Winter Salt Scheme 2017/18. However, it is understood large stocks of salt remain and no additional deliveries are required this year. This was seconded by Cllr Briggs, with all in agreement. The Clerk was asked to check with the resident holding the stock of salt and to respond to Essex County Council.</p>	Clerk

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6.2	Cllr Crisp and Cllr Turner have expressed an interest in attending the Strategic Highways meeting at Leaden Roding Village Hall on Monday 17 th July at 3pm, which has been arranged by County Cllr Barker for all parishes in her Essex County Council ward.	Cllr Crisp & Cllr Turner
6.3	There has been no progress on the village map history, outstanding is a visit to the Essex Records Office	Cllr Briggs & Clerk
6.4	Following the discussion at the May meeting, there has be no further communication from the Quiz Night Committee for a grant. Cllr Phillips agreed to talk to the committee ahead of the next Parish Council meeting.	Cllr Phillips
7	Cllrs Reports	
7.1	Environment and Health – Cllr Crisp continues to carry out maintenance to the grass area surrounding the bus stop close to Blue House Farm to ensure good visibility for residents exiting their properties. Cllr Crisp has requested a bus stop aftercare kit to use on the bus shelter which is located in the parish of Good Easter and installed in 2015. The Clerk has contacted Good Easter Parish Council who have confirmed they did not accept the kit, the Clerk is requesting a kit from the supplier of the bus shelter/highways and will forward to Cllr Crisp when received.	Clerk
7.2	Transport – Details of the Scoping Opinion requested by Stansted Airport as part of its pre application process to increase annual passenger numbers to 44.5m, had been circulated to Cllrs. Cllr Briggs proposed that Margaret Roding Parish Council endorses the response being prepared by Stop Stansted Expansion, providing there are no issues for Margaret Roding residents. This was seconded by Cllr Phillips with all in agreement.	Clerk
7.3	Highways – Cllr Turner commented that the flood warning sign has been put out in recent heavy rain; Cllr Turner was of the view this has slowed traffic	-
8	Planning	
8.1	Applications - None	
8.2	Decisions Application No UTT/17/0865/HHF Location 10 The Gossetts Development Single storey side extension Decision Conditional Approval	

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	Application No UTT/17/1021/CLP Location 2 Ongar Road Development Detached garage Decision Conditional Approval	
9	<p style="text-align: center;">Draft Uttlesford Local Plan</p> <p>The Draft Uttlesford Local Plan consultation is due to commence on 12th July until 4th September. Documents can be viewed on the Uttlesford website and information has been circulated to Cllrs. The Parish Council notes and agrees with the following,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. All that part of Margaret Roding on the south side of the A1060 remains in the Metropolitan Green Belt, (MGB). Within the MGB 'development will only be permitted if it meets the criteria for exceptional development set out in the NPPF.' b. Margaret Roding has no allocated development. <p>The Clerk will respond to the consultation agreeing with these points.</p>	Clerk
10	<p style="text-align: center;">Village Defibrillator</p> <p>Thames Water have confirmed they are unable to permit a defibrillator to be placed on the pumping station at The Gossetts due to Health and Safety and legal concerns. The Parish Council continues to consider purchasing a village defibrillator providing a suitable location can be found. Discussion took place on whether the bus stop had power, Cllr Phillips to check. All Cllrs to ask residents and consider possible locations, Clerk to include in Parish News.</p>	All & Clerk
11	<p style="text-align: center;">Water Pump</p> <p>A resident has asked whether the Parish Council is willing to carry out maintenance to the water pump in front of Brickhouse Villas. The Clerk obtained the land registry document to identify on whose land the pump is located and this indicates that it is Essex Highways and not the property owners. The Parish Council agreed and given it is unlikely Highways would carry out the works, that the Parish Council would fund the cost of materials with the labour being provided by the Cllrs. Cllr Crisp has agreed to clean and paint the pump and Cllr Briggs will look at the concrete base and determine what repair is required.</p>	Cllr Briggs & Cllr Crisp
12	<p style="text-align: center;">Community Speed Watch</p> <p>The Clerk has been in contact with Essex Community Speed Watch (ECSW) who are looking to expand Community Speed Watch and will provide support to Margaret Roding to relaunch its group. The Parish Council discussed the responses to the questions asked; they were unclear whether the speed gun (purchased in 2008) is still a useable model and the Clerk was asked to liaise</p>	Cllr Cooper & Clerk

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	with Cllr Cooper for details of the equipment before forwarding to the ECSW team for confirmation; if it is still a valid model it will require calibration before being available for use. Clerk to consolidate responses and forward to ECSW.	
13	Highways, Footpaths and Transport	
13.1	Outstanding are the letters to landowners re overhanging hedges, reference items 16.2 and 16.3 from the May meeting.	Clerk
14	Finance	
14.1	Cheques approved Allison Ward (Parish Clerk salary and office expenses) £ 111.61 Rural Community Council of Essex (annual subscription) £ 52.80	
14.2	Council Tax Support Scheme Grant for 2017/18, £163 and the VAT refund of £20.22 from or 2016/17 have been received.	
14.3	The Clerk presented the quarterly finances for the period April to June 2017 and these were accepted by the Parish Council. They confirm a cash balance at the end of June of £8,364.20.	
15	Items for next Agenda To include, a. Village Defibrillator b. Grant application	
16	Date of Next Meeting Tuesday 3 rd October 2017 at 7.30pm in The Farmhouse, Reid Rooms. The meeting finished at 8.50pm	

ALLISON WARD
Clerk to Margaret Roding Parish Council

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