



FOR THE COMMON GOOD OF THE COMMUNITY

## **NOAK BRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Noak Bridge Parish Council meeting,  
held in the Noak Bridge Village Hall on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2010 at 7pm.

### **Present**

Councillors:

Tim Dobby (Chair)

Valerie Bayley

Lesley Sharrard

Sandra Hormann

Clerk to the Council

Karen Hawkes

5 residents

District / County Councillor Sargent

Guest Speakers PCSO's

Clare Boreham

Caroline Guest

### **10/070 Apologies for absence**

Apologies received from Councillor Bradley due to convalescence and Councillor Sargent.

### **10/071 Deceleration of interest**

None received

## **10/072 Minutes**

Minutes of the 25<sup>th</sup> June 2010 previously circulated and signed as a true record of the meeting.

## **10/073 Guest Speaker – PCSO Caroline Guest and PCSO Clare Boreham**

PCSO's explained what measures have been put in place to help deal with the anti – social behaviour that is on-going in Noak Bridge. PCSO's have requested an article is put in the newsletter to call upon dog walkers to report problems that they see around the Parish on the non - emergency numbers 0300 333 4444. PCSO's on duty also carry a mobile that they can be contacted on directly. Councillor Hormann requested that the PCSO's supply posters to advertise the non – emergency number to encourage residents to report problems. Residents passed on information to the PCSO's and their concerns regarding a particular problem, this will be looked into.

PC Barry Curtis (neighbourhood constable for Crouch) apologised for being unable to attend but will try and make a future meeting.

*Future agenda item – request from PCSO's to combine the NAP meeting with the Parish Council meeting.*

b. Councillor Sharrard updated councillors on the NAP meeting; clerk has report from that meeting.

## **10/074 Co – option of vacant Councillor position.**

1 application received from Ray Batty for the vacant councillor position. Vote result 3 against 2 for. Clerk to re advertise vacancy on notice board.

## **10/075 Welcome to new councillors and code of conduct explained by clerk / chair.**

Clerk introduced Councillor Hormann to the council and public and explained the code of conduct and declaration of interest. Clerk also explained that any correspondence sent from the council must be sent via the clerk, if the councillor is working on a project the clerk is cc'd on all correspondences. Clerk also explained that a councillor works as part of the decisions made by the whole council not as an individual.

## **10/076 Public participation**

Resident stated that cycle path sign is pointing the wrong way – Essex County Council has confirmed that this is to be changed.

Resident asked whether Asda could be contacted regarding the abandoned trolleys around Noak Bridge. District / County Councillor Sargent stated that this must be done by ringing Streetcare.

Resident stated that the Parish Council bench has been stolen from outside the primary school on the night of 29<sup>th</sup> July. Clerk to contact the police and insurance company.

Resident asked what was being done about the lampposts in Noak Bridge. Councillor Sharrard informed the resident that he would look into it and have answers for the next Parish Council meeting.

Resident asked about the road surface in Bridgecote Lane, clerk reported that Essex County Council have agreed to do some resurfacing work on the road but due to new budget restrictions it will not be the whole road.

P3 representative – reported that they have been in contact with Essex County Council regarding a footpath from Noak Bridge to Barleylands the proposal has scored high and at the moment the proposal will be looked at in the next two years.

District / County Councillor Sargent updated council that the VAS sign in Bridge Street is working and that it is in the right place, residents had asked whether this sign was working.

Resident asked whether the Parish Council had organised a container for the Christmas Decorations. *Future agenda item.*

## **10/077 Clerk Report**

St Georges housing will now inform the Parish Council when the community panel meetings are being held so that the parish council can help to advertise the meeting. (Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2010 at South Green Memorial Hall time to be confirmed)

Tree reported at corner of Bridge Street / Coppice Lane has since been cut back.

Landscaping has been contracted out to English Landscapes they have had work defaulted and are being tightly monitored, the council wants to give them a chance as several of the Basildon council employees left to work for them when the work was contracted out.

Bench at Wash Road playing field has had two planks removed (damaged reported to Joy Darch at Basildon Council waiting for her to contact me.)

Fingerpost 112 – 114 New Waverley Road has been knocked over clerk has contacted Peter Morris he will email price of fixing the existing sign to a metal post.

Peter Wright has been contacted about the resurfacing of Bridgecote Lane due to current budgetary pressures this will not happen but there will be some improvements to the surface, this is currently being programmed by the contractors.

Licensing Act 2003 – Consultation on draft statement of Licensing Policy, Councillors have no comments to make.

Annual making the links event on the Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 1.30pm at Great Dunmow, No Councillors can attend to collect certificate clerk may attend AGM in the evening.

Clerk has copy of Essex Speed Management Strategy and Development Management policies from Essex County Council if any councillors wish to view them.

### 10/078 Planning

Applications for comment		
Application Number	Location	Details
10/00536/FULL	25 New Waverley Road	Replacement w & d
10/00603/FULL	137 - 151 uneven Crouch Street	Replacement w & d
10/00604/FULL	2 - 20 evens New Waverley Road	Replacement w & d
10/00606/FULL	51 - 65 Odds Kenilworth Place	Replacement w & d
10/00607/FULL	104-110 New Waverley Road	Replacement w & d
10/00608/FULL	18 - 34 Evens Kenilworth Place	Replacement w & d
10/00609/FULL	6 - 20 Evens Lower Street	Replacement w & d
10/00610/FULL	153 - 191 Odds Crouch Street	Replacement w & d

10/00612/FULL	84 - 98 Evens Lower Street	Replacement w & d
10/00745/FULL	6 Kimberley Drive	Replacement w & d
10/00799/FULL	5 Handleys Chase	Crown thin Oak tree
10/00849/FULL	Wash Road Tyres	Retrospective application for the self-drive vehicle hire site
CC/BAS/87/10	Noak Bridge Primary School	The retention of re-locatable classroom
Decisions		
10/00306/FULL	31 Durban Lane	Replacement w & d - GRANTED
10/00533/FULL	82 New Waverley Road	Replacement w & d - GRANTED
10/00540/FULL	4 Crouch Street	Replacement w & d - GRANTED
10/00544/FULL	48 Crouch Street	Replacement w & d - GRANTED
10/00545/FULL	36 Crouch Street	Replacement w & d - GRANTED
10/00552/FULL	107 Crouch Street	Replacement w & d - GRANTED
10/00559/FULL	109 Crouch Street	Replacement w & d - GRANTED
10/00563/FULL	9 Crouch Street	Replacement w & d - GRANTED
10/00568/FULL	123 Crouch Street	Replacement w & d - GRANTED
10/00594/FULL	19 Crouch Street	Replacement w & d - GRANTED
10/00596/FULL	23 Crouch Street	Replacement w & d - GRANTED
10/00601/FULL	10 - 20 evens Crouch Street	Replacement w & d - GRANTED

10/00602/FULL	73 - 81 uneven Crouch Street	Replacement w & d - GRANTED
10/00605/FULL	22 - 44 evens Lower Street	Replacement w & d - GRANTED
10/00611/FULL	25 - 39 evens Crouch Street	Replacement w & d - GRANTED
10/00668/FULL	68 Bridge Street	Retention of car port – GRANTED
10/00707/FULL	10 Martindale Avenue	Rear conservatory - GRANTED

Clerk advised that she did object to the planning applications from St Georges as the doors on the application state they are changing them from white wood to white UPVC but most of the applications were coloured doors being changed to white UPVC doors, this would be a breach of BAS BE12 of the Basildon District Council Local Plan as it would harm the character of the local street scene. These applications though have been granted.

District / County Councillor Sargent reported that she would be supporting the Wash Road Tyres application that was previously refused.

### **10/079 Prince William Trust – protecting playing fields**

Prince William Trust – protecting playing fields is a challenge to find 2012 playing fields to protect for Queen Elizabeth 11 Diamond Jubilee. Basildon Council is happy for the Parish Council to research into this for the Wash Road playing field. Clerk to update at a future meeting.

### **10/080 Finance**

a/ Clerk reported that accounts have been sent to external auditor on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2010

b/ Agreed by all councillors to add Councillor Hormann as an additional cheque signatory Clerk to complete mandate form and bring along to September meeting.

c/ To approve payments

Payee	Details	Amount
Karen Hawkes 000504	Petty Cash	£150.00
Crystal Print 000505	July Newsletter	£245.00
Royal Mail Group Ltd 000506	PO Box	£125.75
Noak Bridge Comm Assoc 000507	Hall Hire July	£24.00
HM Revenue & Customs 000508	July NIC and tax	£119.18
Jan Dalton Francis 000509	Interpretation board	£24.93

### **10/081 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration bench**

Clerk explained the two possible locations for bench, councillors all agree to locate bench immediately to the left when entering the playground as this area of ground cannot be used for anything else as the area is too small for an additional piece of playground equipment. All Councillors agree to the following wording on the plaque

**“To celebrate the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Noak Bridge  
Noak Bridge Parish Council”.**

Clerk to contact Nick Sears to arrange.

### **10/082 Sunday Bus Service**

Councillor Bayley reported that re-routing of the 140 has been postponed as the retendering is taking place for the 100 and it is hoped that there could be a skeleton 100 service run on a Sunday instead of the 140 being rerouted. The outcome of this retendering will not be known until early 2011.

### **10/083 Highways update.**

Councillor Sharrard reported the items noted from the highways walkabout in April, and four outstanding issues from September's walkabout. Paul Hands apologised for the delay in updating the Parish Council. As stated before there will be some resurfacing of Bridgecote Lane but due to budget restrictions it is unclear what works will be undertaken. Councillor Sharrard will research into the lampposts that have been replaced without consultation with the Parish Council.

### **10/084 Future meeting dates**

3rd September 2010

1<sup>st</sup> October 2010

12<sup>th</sup> November 2010

3<sup>rd</sup> December 2010

### **10/085 Close of meeting**

Meeting Closed 9:00pm