

MINUTES

of the Parish Council meeting held via Zoom on Wednesday 17th March 2021 at 8.00pm.

Present virtually

Councillors B Stratton (Chairman)
 A Parmenter
 Mrs P Lawrance
 C Markey
 C Metson
 I Milligan (part meeting)

Parish Clerk Karen Weare

No members of the public

19/21 Chairman's Welcome

Cllr Stratton welcomed those present.

20/21 Apologies for absence

Cllr D Mapes (technology).

21/21 Approval of Minutes

Cllrs resolved to agree minutes of the meeting January 20th 2021 as a correct record. The Chairman will sign a copy for the record in due course.

22/21 Declarations of interest in Agenda Items

None.

23/21 Public Representation

None.

24/21 Cllr Mrs M McEwen EFDC & ECC

No report received. Cllrs noted that Cllr McEwen will not stand for re-election in May and resolved to send her a thank you letter for her help and support over the years.

25/21 Clerk's Report

1. The Parish Council election will go ahead on May 6th 2021. The Annual Parish Council Meeting must take place within 14 days of the election.
2. Highways issues reported
 - a. School Lane, Abbess 2702762 & 2702764 roadworks signs
 - b. The Manor House, Abbess 2701837 blocked drain
3. Precept demand made and acknowledged.

26/21 Annual Parish Meeting

Cllrs resolved to hold a "low key" meeting on the same evening as the APCM subject to Covid restrictions.

27/21 Highways

1. Issues identified as reported by others since January meeting
 - a. School Lane, Abbess potholes
 - b. School Lane, Abbess collapsed verge 3335158 (planned maintenance)

The reporting system is working but the Clerk is not convinced that the Track It and notification systems are working correctly.

2. ECC to increase drain jetting programme. No further details.

3. John Thurlow is River Roding Environment Agency Catchment Co-ordinator. The Clerk can report Environmental Incidents.

4. Cllrs resolved to ask Epping Forest Highways Rangers to clean road signs identified by them and Clerk to report.

28/21 Heritage Finger Posts

Cllr Stratton reported that he had spoken to the Contractor. The ground had been too soft to site the posts but the work would be started and finished in April .

29/21 Defibrillator

1. Cllr Markey advised he still required power source to complete work on kiosk. Cllr Stratton to speak to neighbour.
2. Email received from manufacturer re battery issue. Clerk is researching.

30/21 Planning

1. EPF/3074/20 2 Rectory Cottages, Beauchamp Roding CM5 0PH
Two storey side-extension and single storey side and rear extensions with internal alterations to suit. Comments.
GRANTED

2. EPF/2931/20 1 Frayes Chase CM5 0JX
Construction of new brick wall with metal railings over and metal gates to boundary adjacent road and return wall section. No comments.
WITHDRAWN

3. EPF/3022/20 Elms Farm, Berners Roding CM5 0TE
Re-submission of application for three livery yard mobile homes for two year temporary siting and associated additional grazing. Strong objection.

Cllrs were very concerned with this application. The Conservation Report had supported the siting of the mobile homes as they were away from the listed building. One of the mobile homes had been removed and of the four remaining, three were occupied.

Resolved to ask Cllr McEwen to call in the application.

4. EPF/1722/20 duplicated by EPF/0102/21 Sparrows, Abbess Roding CM5 0JL
Removal of existing garage and erection of new garage. Comments.
Cllrs to note Listed Building Consent would have been required.
WITHDRAWN

32/21 Grants and Donations

1. Dr Walkers School, Fyfield has acknowledged with thanks, the offer of a one-off donation £500 which it will use to improve the outside environment for the pupils. It has requested payment is made in April 2021. Clerk to arrange payment in due course.
2. Resolved the amount of annual donation to,
 - a. Abbess Roding LCC £325
 - b. Beauchamp Roding PCC £325
 - c. Essex & Herts Air Ambulance £325

33/21 Finances

1. The Clerk reported the Lloyds bank balances,
Treasurers at 1/3/21 £1,347.21
Instant Online 9/2/21 £14,000.11
2. Income received and payments made since 1st January 2021
Receipts –
Interest on savings account
Vat refund p/e 31/12/20 £703.25

Payments
HMRC PAYE M9 £15.20
Clerk salary January £194.60 HMRC PAYE M10 £15.40
ICO GDPR £35.00
Clerk salary February £194.60 HMRC PAYE M11 £15.40
Friends of Historic Essex £12.00
3. Clerk to set up for payments to be authorised and paid before the end of March for audit purposes.

34/21 Election May 6th 2021

Cllrs should all now have packs. Clerk has Electoral role numbers if required.

35/21 Correspondence

Mr Brill would like to inform the Parish Council that he is now unable to report on Parish footpaths. Cllrs recorded their thanks for his work.

36/21 Information exchange/next agenda items

Cllr Milligan reported Anchor Lane was back in the state as it was before resurfacing.
Cllr Milligan reported Fairland mobile home was still sited behind the Nissen huts.
Fairlands.

Cllr Metson announced his intention not to stand at the election. He thanked the Chairman, Cllrs and Clerk. The Chairman thanked Cllr Metson for his many years of service.

37/21 PROPOSED DATE OF NEXT MEETING

APCM/APM 12th May at the Room in the Rodings (TBC)

MEETING closed 20.40 pm

Signed Chairman

Discussions and resolutions reflect the understanding of the legislation at the time of the meeting.

Unapproved