ABBESS, BEAUCHAMP & BERNERS RODING PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 20th March 2024 at 7.30pm at the Room in the Rodings.

Parish Clerk Karen Weare

Present

Councillors B Stratton (Chairman) P Lawrance D Mapes C Markey I Milligan T Osborn A Parmenter

No members of the public

23/24 Chairman's Welcome

Cllr Stratton welcomed those present.

24/24 Apologies for absence

25/24 Approval of Minutes

Amendment to item 7/24 1. change "district" to "ward". Cllrs agreed minutes of the meeting January 6th 2024 as a correct record. The Chairman signed for the records.

26/24 Declarations of interest in Agenda Items

Cllr Markey pecuniary interest agenda item 13.3.2 EPF/2716/23 and EPF/2717/23 LBC.

27/24 Public Representation

None.

28/24 District Council Report

Apologies received from Cllr Balcombe.

He reported to Clerk that residents near the Brook Cottage development were concerned over increased flooding due to new access bridge and damage to verges. He will deal with any matters arising from this meeting.

29/24 Police Report

Warren Shepherd Community Policing Team sent a written report on the crime statistics.

30/24 Clerk's Report

- 1. Robert Osborn was willing to become the Abbess Defib Guardian. Clerk to set up on the Circuit.
- 2. School Lane gas marker reported and forwarded to another supplier.
- 3. A resident of Woodend wanted more wheelie bin stickers. Clerk sent him details of supplier for him to purchase.

31/24 Highways

- 1. Junction Berwick Lane/B184 Nether Street. No work carried out.
- 2. Various road defects had been repaired.
- 3. Cllr Markey reported that telegraph poles in Nether Street are being replaced.
- 4. The Elms Farm pothole had been repaired but was already collapsing.
- 5. Cllr Lawrance will send photos of School Lane, Beauchamp pothole for Clerk to report.

32/24 Road Signs Project

No funds received from Cllr McIvor. Signs purchased and delivered. ECC legalities ongoing.

33/24 Verge Contract

Only one tender received (existing contractor). ECC contract pays £1,875.35. Quote for 2024 season 5% increase to £1,758.72. Clerk to clarify quote for 2025.

34/24 Planning

1. New applications

EPF/0117/24 Badgers Brook, Abbess Roding

Conversion of existing conservatory into habitable accommodation. Comments – no objection.

EPF/0172/24 Berwick Hall, Abbess Roding

Demolition of 3nr existing outbuilding and erection of 2nr dwellings on land serving Berwick Berners Hall (stet) etc.

Object (reasons as per refusal).

EPF/0375/24 Elms Farm, Berners Roding

Prior Notifications for 2 detached barns for the use of Agriculture. No comments.

EPF/0490/24 Little Oaks, Beauchamp Roding

Construction of a 2 storey brick and render side extension continuing the established architectural language.

Cllrs discussed the connection between The Bungalow and Little Oak. The plan is unclear. Clarify.

2. Open Applications

EPF/2288/23 Elms Farm Equine Livery Yard

Renewal of Permission for 2 livery yard mobile homes for 2 year temporary siting at Elms Farm.

EPF/2091/22 The Depot, Anchor Lane (resubmission of EPF/1477/17)

Two dwellings.

3. EFDC Decisions

EPF/2648/23 The Old School, School Lane, Beauchamp Roding

Previously EPF/1400/23 refused 12/10/23

Certificate of Lawful Development for proposed demolition of an existing outbuilding and construction of one-storey annexe at the rear of the property, ancillary to the use of the dwelling house and for purposes incidental to the enjoyment of the dwelling house. Lawful.

Cllrs concerned that scheme refused under planning but now granted under CLD.

EPF/2716/23 and EPF/2717/23 LBC Nether Street Farmhouse, Dunmow Road

Proposed side and rear extension with loft room following the demolition of the existing later single storey side/rear extension with loft area. Refused.

EPF/1704/23 Woodyhyde, Anchor Lane (resubmission of EPF/0734/23

Conversion of existing stable building to 1 no residential building. Decision recommended - awaiting S106 Agreement.

EPF/0136/24 Brook Cottage, Abbess Roding

Variation to Condition 2 on planning permission EPF/0073/19. Refused. *Clerk to check planning conditions for Brook Cottage development as the entrance bridge had been widened.*

EPF/0203/24 Magnolia Cottage, Berners Roding

Proposed extension to replace existing conservatory. Approved with conditions.

EPF/2175/23 Oaklands, School Lane, Beauchamp Roding

Removal of original conservatory to main house with new orangery. Conversion of carport to gym, with glazed entrance and new cladding to portion of the elevation. Approve with conditions.

3. Enforcement

Case 567906869 9 Bonds Cottages, Beauchamp Roding Satellite dish on listed building. Dish removed – case closed

35/24 Annual Parish Meeting

Lively and successful meeting. Cllrs wished to register their thanks to Cllr Balcombe and to the police officers for their handling of the more difficult issues.

36/24 Parish Council Election

Each Cllr supplied with nomination forms for completion. Cllr Mapes advised that he would not be standing for election. Expenses claim marked NIL can be given to the Clerk at the May meeting to forward to the Returning Officer.

37/24 Finances

Transactions after February 29th 2024 will be included in year end.

38/24 Grants

Cllrs resolved to make grants of £340 each to Essex & Herts Air Ambulance, Beauchamp Roding PCC and Abbess Roding PCC.

39/24 Parish Picnic

Sunday June 16th. Cllr Osborn reported that the Bouncy Castle and musician were booked at the 2023 price. Request to Chris Metson to bring the telehandler. Provisional booking for Room in the Rodings to be confirmed and paid for Clerk to approach RideLondon for funding.

40/24 Essex Minerals Local Plan Review

Extended to April 9th. Clerk to submit comments.

- 41/24 Correspondence
- 42/24 Information exchange/next agenda items
 None

43/24 DATES OF NEXT MEETING

May 15th 2024 Annual Parish Council Meeting. Dates for 2024/2025 to be agreed at May meeting

44/25 CLOSED MEETING 9.15

Approved Chairman May 15th 2024