ABBESS, BEAUCHAMP & BERNERS RODING PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 2nd October 2024 at 7.30pm at the Room in the Rodings.

Present

https://www.e-voice.org.uk/abbrpc

Councillors	B Stratton (Chair) P Lawrance C Markey I Milligan T Osborn A Parmenter	Parish Clerk	Karen Weare				
	Cllr R Balcombe (EFDC)						
	No members of the public						
93/24	Chair's Welcome Cllr Stratton welcomed those present						
94/24	Apologies for absence None.						
95/24	Approval of Minutes Cllrs agreed minutes of the meeting July 10th 2024 as a correct record. The Chair signed for the records.						
96/24	Declarations of interest in Agenda Ite Cllr Osborn non-pecuniary interest pla						
97/24	Public Representation None.						
98/24	Rural Engagement Team Police Report PC Warren Shepherd apologised for b report and quarterly statistic to 1/9/2 reduced thefts by 66%. A team is look recorded of which 4 were considered 1 theft of motor vehicle 2 residential burglaries 1 vehicle interference	eing unable to attend the n 24. Operation Brazil, theft of king into vehicle thefts with	rural equipment, had good success. 9 crimes were				
99/24	 District Council Report Rural East Cllr Balcombe Inspector Jonathon Main will be a the issue of speeding on the B184 TVS would take over refuse collect remain the same but time may chaservice. 	l. ctions from November 4 th . 1	he collection day would				

- 3. The new planning system meant that the Committee would consist of 9 Cllrs. The Ward Cllr would not be on the Committee and would not be allowed to vote.
- 4. Fyfield were installing Parish Signs. He would speak to Cllr Whitbread again about the Clerk's difficulties in obtaining the licences.
- 5. He would speak to Cllr Graham Courtenay about the planning website issues.
- 6. The Clerk should address Parish matters to him and he would liaise with the other Cllrs Morgan and Hadley.

100/24 Essex County Council Report

Cllr Mclvor was currently an Independent Member.

The Parish Council resolved to send a letter of support regarding the B184 requested by him but pointing out the errors in Essex Highways report (current 50 mph and "not a village").

101/24 Clerk's Report

- 1. Letter to The Old School House, Abbess Roding request to trim back overhanging vegetation on corner after resident complaint. No action yet.
- 2. Letter to Head of Planning Services re lack of Parish Council comments shown planning applications.
- 3. Freedom of Information request to ECC Highway pothole repairs standard.
- 4. Nothing more heard from ICO re conflict between evoice and gov.uk websites.

102/24 Village Gateways

Licence requests rejected again due to" incorrect" mapping despite using maps advised by ECC. Clerk will take photos and address each location in turn

103/24 K6 Phone box Berners Roding

Clerk will take photos of phone box in context and make application.

104/24 Planning

Open applications
 EPF/0172/24 Berwick Hall, Abbess Roding
 Demolition of existing outbuildings and erection of 2 dwellings.

EPF/1498/24 Abbess Hall. Abbess Roding 29/7/24

Residential conversion of former grain store building. PC no comments (shown on website).

EPF/1819/24 8 Horsecroft, Abbess Roding 5/9/24 (technical)

Prior approval for single storey rear extension.

2. EFDC Decisions

EPF/1535/21 & EPF/1538/21 Elms Farm

Conversion of wash house to dwelling. Approve.

EPF/2091/22 The Depot, Anchor Lane (resubmission of EPF/1477/17) Two dwellings. Withdrawn.

EPF/0977/24 Greenhill Barn Abbess Roding (technical) Ground mounted solar panels. Grant permission.

EPF/1347/24 Land north of Berwick Lane (technical) Prior Notification Building agricultural/forestry. Not required.

EPF/1365/24 Elms Farm, Berners Roding

Change of use from agriculture to grazing, including engineering works to enable new access to the field. Grant permission.

EPF/1379/24 Little Oak, Beauchamp Roding

Infill ground floor extension with glass lantern and bi-fold doors. Approve.

EPF/1433/24 LBC The Rectory, Abbess Roding (technical)

Removal of small high level window, insertion of new box sash window and addition of new partition in the master bedroom ensuite and dressing room. Grant LBC

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. Approved.

105/24 Finances

1. The Clerk reported the Lloyds bank transactions from 1/7/2024 to 30/9/24. Below.

2. One Cllr signed the bank statement to confirm balance £1,035.91.

3. The Clerk asked Cllrs to consider any projects for 2025 in advance of the budget preparation.

106/24 Neighbourhood Watch

Cllr Markey reported that he was now the Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator for the whole Parish, split into 3. The Parish Council's support was requested but no funding was required at this time.

107/24 Standing Orders and Financial Standing Orders

Cllrs resolved to adopt the Orders as already notified to them.

108/24 Correspondence

- 1. Qualis has approached the Parish with a request to tender for any grounds maintenance work. No verge contract was in place for 2025 so the Clerk would send them details.
- 2. Ride London was cancelled for 2025.

109/24 Information exchange/next agenda items

- 1. Cllr Lawrance requested that the Parish Council make more focussed comments on planning applications.
- 2. Cllr Milligan was concerned about the quality of pothole repairs. For example the repair near Longbarns was already deteriorating. He would send photos to Clerk to report.
- 3. Cllr Markey asked about the sewage works discharges. This was questioned last year and the Environment Agency reported no concerns with the water quality.
- 4. Cllr Stratton would approach residents who had expressed an interest in being co-opted.

110/24 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday January 22nd 2025 (budget and precept)

111/24 MEETING CLOSED 9.30 pm

Approved January 22nd 2025

Bank reconciliation

30/6/24	Treasurers Account	1,872.17		
	Income	0.00		
	Transfer in*	770.05	2,642.22	
	HMRC PAYE M3	54.40		
	Clerk salary Jul	237.90		
	Insurance	383.51		
	HMRC PAYE M4	54.60		
	Offsite Ltd	60.00		
	EFDC Elections	245.16		
	Clerk salary Aug	238.10		
	Friends of Historic Essex	12.00		
	HMRC PAYE M5	54.50		
	Sep Clerk salary & Q2 exp	266.14	1,606.31	
	Closing balance		1,035.91	Agrees bank statement
	Savings account	15,724.86		
	Interest July	16.24		
	Interest August	15.57		
	Interest September	13.38	15,770.05	
	Transfer out*		770.05	
30/9/24	Total on hand		15.000.00	
30/9/24	Grand total on hand		17,597.03	

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