

Asheldham & Dengie Parish Council

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Minutes of the Asheldham & Dengie Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 6th. November 2023 at 6.30pm in Dengie village hall

Present: Cllrs D. Henson (Chair), R. Griffiths (Vice-Chair), L. Brown, S. Russell, A. Snowdon and Kevin B. Money (Parish Clerk). There were also 2 members of the public present

182/2023 Chairman welcomed everyone to the Asheldham & Dengie Parish Council meeting

183/2023 Apologies for Absence were received from ECC Cllr W. Stamp and MDC Cllr M. Neall

184/2023 Declaration of Interest

To declare any Pecuniary, Registerable or non-Registerable Interest relating to items on the agenda Councillors to check that their ROI are up to date. **None declared**

185/2023 To approve the Minutes of the last Council meeting of Asheldham & Dengie PC

To receive and agree the minutes of the last A&DPC meeting held on 2nd. October 2023. **All Agreed**

186/2023 Essex County Councillor report - To receive a report from Essex County Councillor
No report was given

187/2023 District Councillor report - To receive a report from the District Councillor
No report was given

188/2023 The Parish Paper: New cost for the quarter page insert £90 p.a. for 12 editions

Councillor discussed this payment for the quarter pager @ £90 p.a. for 12 editions in 2024/2025
Cllr R. Griffiths proposed and Cllr D. Henson seconded to support this Parish Paper. However, the Clerk to contact Pam Grimes to reduce the article to less (as per Tillingham PC insertion). **All Agreed**

189/2023 Questions from the Press and Public –

(This session will not exceed 15 minutes – unless otherwise directed by the Chair - no individual to speak for longer than 3 minutes on any one issue) An opportunity for members of the public and press to speak about items on the agenda and to raise other issues.

Any update on the planning application regarding the Scrap Yard application. MDC Cllr M. Neall to be asked to contact MDC planning department for an update.

Asheldham Brook Bridge – ECC Cllr W. Stamp and Cllr M. Neall to seek further clarification and update.
When raining the area floods badly and to attend to branches laying on the verge just off the carriageway

190/2023 Asheldham Residents Group – Update from the ARG and to make any decisions necessary.

Date for winter litter pick is now in the new year rather than December. Saturday 6th. January 2024 has been arranged

191/2023 Highway & Public Footpath Issues

To receive updates on outstanding highways issues and an opportunity for members to raise any new highways issues and make decisions accordingly.

1) Tarmac on Highway by planters. Reported to ECC Highways ref. No.: 2851512. No update
The Clerk to contact ECC Cllr W. Stamp to see if she can get an update.

192/2023 Beacon – Councillors to make final decision on either erecting the Beacon on Private land or not. Councillors to take note of all the conditions that may be imposed by MDC planning Department. Councillors discussed not to undertake the siting of the beacon at Silver Lake. **All Agreed**
The Councillors asked the Clerk to contact Tillingham PC if they require the beacon

193/2023 Planning Application/s plus any application/s submitted after agenda published 23/01032/OUT - Land At White Horse Cottage Tillingham Road Dengie

Outline planning application with some matters reserved for access, appearance and scale to construct 2no. new 2 bedroom detached bungalows using an existing crossover to provide parking from Tillingham Road.

RESOLVED: Refuse this application

- Overdevelopment of existing site
- Scale, bulk and design
- Limited access and visibility
- Lack of amenity space

194/2023 Planning Decision/s made by MDC affecting Asheldham & Dengie

No planning decisions have been made by MDC affecting either Asheldham or Dengie villages

195/2023 United Dengie Councils – To receive an update. No update received

196/2023 Update on the issues at the Scrap Yard – Cllr A. Snowden

Contact MDC planning department. Site visit occurred but officers have no knowledge of past experiences. This application is running extremely late. Planning Officers have visited the site. MDC Cllr M. Neall to get update from MDC planning department

197/2023 Questions from the Press and Public – Second Session

(This session should not exceed 15 minutes – unless otherwise directed by the Chair - no individual to speak for longer than 3 minutes on any one issue) An opportunity for members of the public to speak and raise issues. Code of Conduct consistent with “Nolan Principles” set out in Appendix 1 and the provisions of S29(1) Localism Act 2011.

No questions asked

198/2023 Finance

1) To receive the Bank reconciliations as at 31st. October 2023

Councillors noted the Bank reconciliations as at 31st. October 2023

2) To receive the comparison of Actual to Budget 2023/24

Councillors noted the comparison of Actual to Budget 2023/24

3) To approve the payment of Accounts for November 2023 and to agree a transfer of funds to meet the Parish Council’s financial requirements. **All Agreed**

199/2023 Budget 2024/2025

Councillors discussed the anticipated Budget for 2024/2025. A provisional expenditure of £7576 was agreed. This 2024/2025 Budget will be finalised at the 4th. December 2023 meeting

200/2023 Councillors to note 2024 meeting dates

05.02.24: 04.03.24: 08.04.24: **15.05.24 DATE CHANGE DUE to Bank Holiday**: 03.06.24: 01.07.24: 02.09.24: 07.10.24: 04.11.24: 02.12.24

201/2023 Items for Next Agenda

Cllr R. Griffiths sends her apologies for the December meeting

202/2023 Date of Next Full Council meeting – Monday 4th. December 2023 at 6.30pm

203/2023 Closure of the Meeting

To Close the meeting having considered and determined all items of business

The Chairman then closed the meeting at 7.30pm and thanked everyone for attending

Signed

D Henson

4th. December 2023

Chairman - D. Henson