

Bradwell with Pattiswick Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at 7.30pm on Monday 12th July 2021 at
Bradwell Village Hall

Present: Cllr Glenn Lockey – Vice-Chairman
Cllr John Bedford
Cllr Craig Evans
Cllr Lesley Kinder
Cllr Michael Turner
Cllr Marie Webb

In attendance: Mrs Christine Marshall (Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer)
District Cllr Nick Unsworth
Two members of the public

21/095 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

In the absence of Cllr Dunn, the Vice Chairman chaired this meeting and welcomed Councillors and other attendees. Apologies had been received from Cllr Tony Dunn, County Councillor Ross Playle and District Councillor Tom Walsh. The meeting sent best wishes to Cllr Dunn for his recovery.

21/096 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members of the council are subject to the Local Authorities Code of Conduct Order 2007 (SI 2007/1159) (The Revised Code) with the additional, non-mandatory, section 12(2), adopted in May 2015. Cllrs Kinder and Webb declared an interest in Planning item 21/102.1, 21/01772/OUT | Outline Planning Permission for the erection of five houses and one bungalow, with permission sought for Access, Layout and Scale; with Appearance and Landscaping reserved. | Land South of Coggeshall Road Bradwell Essex. There were no other pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests to be recorded.

21/092 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN 2020/21 – Addendum

The Clerk advised that the following resolutions had been omitted from the Minutes previously issued of the meeting held 14th June.

- c. The Clerk referred to the Annual Governance Statement 2020/21 previously issued to Cllrs. There were no queries.
RESOLUTION - It was resolved to approve the signing of Section 1 (Annual Governance Statement) of the Annual Return for 2020/21. **Proposed: Cllr Kinder, seconded: Cllr Turner, all in favour. Action; Clerk to arrange signatures.**
- d. The Clerk referred to the Annual Accounting Statements 2020/21, Certificate of Exemption 2020/21 and other year-end documents previously issued to Cllrs, together with end of year Bank Reconciliation and Explanation of Variances. There were no queries and the financial year end 2020/21 carried forward figure of £ 11,498 was noted.
RESOLUTION – It was resolved to approve the Annual Accounting Statements 2020/21, Certificate of Exemption 2020/21, bank reconciliation at 31st March

2021 and Explanation of Variances. **Proposed: Cllr Kinder, seconded: Cllr Turner, all in favour. Action: Clerk to arrange signatures.**

21/097 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION WITH REGARD TO ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

The Vice-Chairman suggested that the order of items on the Agenda to be discussed should be altered to enable members of the public who had attended solely for one planning item could leave the meeting after that discussion.

Proposed: Cllr Evans, seconded: Cllr Kinder, all in favour

21/098 REPORTS OF COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

The Clerk read the report received from County Cllr Ross Playle, as follows;

- Cllr Playle now has a dedicated landline for residents to contact him. This number is 01376 503743.
- He has been assigned a Highways Liaison Officer, David Forkin, (Head of Highways Maintenance) who will be able to undertake site visits from time to time if required
- New Cabinet Member responsible for Highways at ECC, Cllr. Lee Scott, has also offered to visit the area. Cllr Playle has raised with Cllr. Scott the lack of direct line for parish councils should in the situation for emergency issues.
- Locality Fund for the 2021/22 municipal year is now available for applications.
- Cllr Playle is now Chair of the Braintree Youth Strategy Group. These groups are set up by ECC for each district to identify required services to commission for the needs of young people. Rightly, the focus currently is on supporting young people affected by lockdown (low self-esteem, concerns about going back to school, bereavement etc.). A future study will be undertaken by the Group to look at what more can be done on the issue of transport for young people, particularly in rural areas.
- Essex County Council is funding a 5-week holiday activity and food programme for children of working families. For more information and to book, please visit: [ActivAte your Summer - Active Essex](#).

The Vice-chairman read into the meeting District Cllr Tom Walsh's report:

1. Community Grants: some funding is available (say for a few hundred pounds) from established groups towards small local projects where the funds can be spent within 6 months.
2. Planning Enforcement: there are staffing pressures in planning and enforcement at BDC. BDC has recognised this and is now setting up a cross-party Reference Group to seek improvements.
3. The Local Plan: the Examination in Public on Section 2 of the Plan covering policies and development apart from the 'Garden Communities' will be held from 6 to 15 July 2021 and residents can watch the virtual sessions online at: www.braintree.gov.uk/youtube
4. Libraries: Essex County Council recently stated no Essex libraries will close. Details are not available on how all libraries will be managed and funded.

District Cllr Nick Unsworth reported.

1. IWMF Site Liaison meeting – minutes have been issued, but District Cllr Unsworth has queried one or two points. Indaver have taken over planning aspects and building the incinerator is the first phase. The planning deadline for submitting Plan of Works is imminent and they have not yet put forward how the energy

produced will benefit the community. PAIN (Parishes Against Incineration) are looking at costs of setting up independent monitoring system for output from the site. Cllr Unsworth agreed that as the Site Liaison Minutes had been published they could be shared by parishes. **Action: Clerk**

2. Outcome of the Planning Delegation consultation has been announced to District Cllrs. Developments of less than 10 dwellings will be decided by delegated powers to Officers and communicated to parishes shortly.
3. Cllr Unsworth has been appointed to the Planning Reference Group.
4. Planning Enforcement actions are slow due to staffing issues.
5. Climate Change and Cycling strategies consultation now closed.

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MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Subject to the amendment above, **IT WAS RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14th June 2021 as a correct record. **Proposed: Cllr Evans, Seconded: Cllr Lockey, all in favour. The Minutes were signed by the Chairman of the Meeting.**

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PLANNING APPLICATIONS

1. 21/01772/OUT | Outline Planning Permission for the erection of five houses and one bungalow, with permission sought for Access, Layout and Scale; with Appearance and Landscaping reserved. | Land South Of Coggeshall Road Bradwell Essex – The Vice Chairman read the draft response prepared by the Parish Council including comments of the public raised at the last meeting and previously provided to all Cllrs. There was nothing further to add and it was agreed to submit to BDC. **Action: Clerk**
2. 21/01878/FUL | Construction and operation of a solar photovoltaic farm, with battery storage and other associated infrastructure, including inverters, security cameras, fencing, access tracks and landscaping. | Land East Of Periwinkle Hall Links Road Perry Green Bradwell Essex - The Vice Chairman read the draft response prepared by the Parish Council. After further discussion, it was necessary for Cllrs to express their opinion of whether the letter should be submitted in its entirety. Apart from Cllr Webb all Cllrs voted to submit the comments to BDC. **Action: Clerk**
3. 21/01820/HH | Part single, part two-storey side and rear extension. | 2 Hayes Cottages The Street Bradwell Essex CM77 8EH - The Clerk confirmed there had been no objections submitted by residents and although there were concerns about parking in The Street, there were no comments. However, concern was expressed that elderly neighbours may not be aware of this application and it was agreed that they should be visited to be advised of the application. **Action: Cllr Evans**
4. 21/01829/ECCDAC, 21/01830/ECCDAC, 21/01828/ECC and 21/01827/ECC – these applications refer to discharge of conditions related to Bradwell Quarry Church Road Bradwell Essex CM77 8EP. There were no comments to be made and the applications were noted.

Cllrs Kinder and Webb left the meeting

Five members of the public left the meeting at this point.

21/100 PLAYING FIELD REPORT

Cllr Evans provided an update on the remedial actions contained within the RoSPA report. The following remain to be addressed:

<u>Equipment</u>	<u>Issue</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Who</u>
Seating	Delamination of wood	Seat to be replaced	Clerk
Litter & dog bins	Too close to seating	To be considered with above	Clerk
Table tennis table	Fixtures loose or missing	Ground fixing plate to be replaced	Cllr Evans
Rocker	Front has been cut	Needs to be smoothed off	Cllr Evans
Swing bay	Wear to surfacing Seats recommended raising by 100mm	Raise seats by 100mm	Cllrs Dunn and Evans
Multiplay junior	Gaps to tiles causing trip hazard Bolts loose Rope pull on climbing wall loose to the bottom board Core wires to net bridge exposed Clamps on net bridge loose and wearing	To be monitored for further wear or breakages and replaced when required.	Cllr Kinder
Goal posts	Paintwork in poor condition	De-scale back to good base material and coat with lead-free paint Repair necessary where corroded	Cllr Kinder

21/101 FOOTPATHS REPORT

The Clerk advised that no volunteers have responded to the advertisement in the Parish Magazine. However, a member of the public at this meeting has offered to check when walking. The Clerk will provide details of how to report issues together with a map of local paths.

Action: Clerk**21/102 PLANNING MATTERS continued**

Applications determined: Those indicated on the Agenda were noted. Cllrs expressed disappointment that the application to extend the opening hours at The Compasses.

Appeals received/determined: None advised.

Applications to note for neighbouring parishes: none advised

21/103 FINANCIAL MATTERS

a. The financial statements to 30th June 2021 were presented and there were no queries. The statements were approved. **Proposed: Cllr Lockey, seconded: Cllr Bedford, all in favour.**

b. Payments for June were approved. **Proposed: Cllr Lockey, seconded: Cllr Bedford, all in favour.**

Action: Clerk/RFO**21/104 INFORMATION EXCHANGE AND ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

- i. Items for next Agenda:
 - a. Highways
 - b. Parish Safety
 - c. S.106
 - d. Defibrillator and training update

21/105 CLOSE OF MEETING

There being no further business to be discussed, the Vice-Chairman closed the meeting and confirmed the next meeting will be held on Monday 13th September 2021 at 7.30pm in Bradwell Village Hall. *Items for inclusion on the Agenda to be sent to the Parish Clerk to be received no later than 12 noon on Friday 10th September 2021.*

ACTION: All

The meeting closed at 9.10pm

AUGUST			No meeting
SEPTEMBER	13	7.30pm	
OCTOBER	11	7.30pm	
NOVEMBER	8	7.30pm	
DECEMBER	13	7.30pm	