

## Bradwell with Pattiswick Parish Council

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting  
held at 7.30pm on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2022  
at Bradwell Village Hall, Church Road, Bradwell**

**Present:** Cllr Tony Dunn – Chairman  
Cllr Glenn Lockey – Vice Chairman  
Cllr Craig Evans  
Cllr Antony Harding  
Cllr Lesley Kinder  
Cllr Michael Turner  
Cllr Marie Webb

**In attendance:**  
County Cllr Ross Playle

**22/154 WELCOME** – The Chairman welcomed those present to the meeting.  
**APOLOGIES**  
There were no Cllr apologies to be recorded.  
District Cllrs Tom Walsh and Dennis Abram

**22/155 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 confirmed there were no pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests to be recorded

**22/156 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**  
The Clerk confirmed nothing had been raised.

**22/157 COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS**  
County Cllr Ross Playle reported:

- i. Potholes – a number have been repairs, with a few more to follow. Cllr Harding to provide details to Cllr Playle. **Action: Cllr Harding**
- ii. Pavements – Cllr Playle has requested a similar scheme for pavements.
- iii. ECC Budget – currently being prepared with residents requested to complete surveys.
- iv. LHP – applications for “quiet lanes” will be heard at a public meeting. No further details yet available.
- v. Cost of living crisis – ECC have put aside £50m to support families and individuals during the cost of living crisis. This will include meals for children during school holidays.

**22/158 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**  
**RESOLUTION: To confirm** the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022 as a correct record. **Proposed: Cllr Kinder, seconded: Cllr Turner.**  
The Minutes were signed by the Chairman

**22/159 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**  
Cllr Harding confirmed that of the 38 issues raised with Essex Highways, some will be resolved as part of the planned maintenance programme, whilst others were not

considered necessary for repair but will be monitored. This has reduced the number of outstanding items to 16.

Permanent repairs to drainage on the A120 will be undertaken when National Highways have completed their current work on the A12.

Cllr Playle left the meeting.

#### 22/160 PLAYING FIELD

Cllr Kinder advised there were no issues, but later added that there had received comments that young people had been seen throwing small cycles or scooters at the basketball hoop. After discussion **it was agreed** that the damaged net would not be replaced due to this.

**It was agreed** that no remedial action will be taken to level the track.

White tape has been tied to bollards at the entrance to the field and whenever it is removed, it gets replaced. This will be kept under observation. There is evidence that there is a badger sett in this area and the Clerk will contact the North-Essex Badger Group to enquire whether they are able to place a wildlife camera to record any activity on the field.

**Action: Clerk**

The Clerk reported that she had met Strutt & Parker at the field following a complaint about the ditch between The Street and the playing field. It was confirmed that some of the gardens had been extended into the scrub area and Cllr Evans commented that he understood some of the properties had permission so to do. Any action needed will be undertaken by Strutt & Parker as it does not form part of the Parish Council's lease.

#### 22/161 S.106

The Clerk presented some further ideas for using S.106 contributions and explained that whilst the total cost for each piece of equipment was higher than the amount due, it was possible to apply for grants. After discussion, **it was agreed** that the Clerk should discuss previous suggestions with the S.106 Officer to see if this smaller equipment could be permitted.

#### 22/162 FOOTPATHS

The Clerk advised that no reports had been received, but referred to the Notice of Temporary Diversion to footpath 56 adjacent to Blackwater Aggregates.

#### 22/163 PLANNING MATTERS

##### New Applications:

- i. 22/02664/REM | Application for approval of reserved matters (in respect of appearance, landscaping and layout) pursuant to outline planning permission 20/01897/OUT granted 18.03.2021 for: Outline application with all matters reserved, except access and scale, for demolition of existing commercial buildings and erection of 3 two-storey dwellinghouses. | Rectory Farm Rectory Meadow Bradwell Essex CM77 8EX – *there were no comments to be made*
- ii. 22/02862/DAC | Application for approval of details as reserved by condition 14 of approved application 21/01878/FUL | Land East of Periwinkle Hall Links Road Perry Green Bradwell Essex. Cllrs agreed the draft previously prepared by the Chairman and *there were no further comments to be made*

**Applications determined:** None advised

**Appeals received/determined:** None advised

**Applications to note (suffix HH):** None advised

## Session 2

- i. Finance – an overview
- ii. Participatory budgeting

**Applications to note for neighbouring parishes:** None advised

**22/164 FINANCIAL REPORTS**

- a. The financial statements to 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022 issued with the Agenda were agreed.  
**Proposed: Cllr Lockey, seconded: Cllr Evans, all in favour.**
- b. The schedule of payments for October was approved. **Proposed: Cllr Lockey, Seconded: Cllr Evans, all in favour.**

**22/165 BUDGET 2023-2024**

The RFO presented the draft budget that takes into account the rising costs of energy and anticipated increases in insurance premiums and other statutory expenditure. Individual items were discussed, particularly the amount for local elections in 2023 and celebrations to mark the Coronation of King Charles III. **It was agreed** that the amount to be available for the Coronation should be capped at £250. **It was further agreed** that the Parish Council would not arrange any events but will support the Village Hall Committee.

Total expenditure less potential income showed that an increase in precept would be required, however after discussion of carry forward sums, Cllrs agreed that the precept should be set at a level that provides no more than a 5% increase over that set for 2021/22 and 2022/23. The RFO will amend the draft for finalisation at the December meeting.  
**Action: Clerk/RFO**

**22/166 COUNCILLOR TRAINING**

Cllrs agreed the following training sessions:

## Session 1

- A Parish Council year
- Powers & Duties
- Roles & Responsibilities

## Session 2

- Finance – an overview
- Participatory budgeting
- Raising the profile of the Council

The Clerk will arrange for January/February.

**Action: Clerk**

**22/167 INFORMATION EXCHANGE**

Concern was raised that some recent planning applications that had been approved, were not being built according to that approval. To be looked into.

**ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA**

- i. Budget

**22/168 NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2022 at 7.30pm.

**There being no further business to be discussed, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.20pm.**