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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 15th. April 2024 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present: Cllrs M. Neall (Chairman), D. Allen, H. Baker, P. Davidson, M. Martin, J. Noble and Kevin B. Money Parish Clerk. There were also 2 members of the public present.

23-24/181 Apologies for Absence were received from Cllr J. Meehan

23-24/182 Code of Conduct Declaring an Interest/Registration of Councillors' Interests
Councillors to declare an interest in any item on the agenda. **None Declared**

23-24/183 Minutes from the previous meetings held to be agreed and signed.

To review and agree the minutes from the Parish Council meetings held on Monday 18th. March 2024
All Agreed

23-24/184 Public Forum

Any members of the public or Councillors wishing to address the Council may do so during this time. A resident spoke about a new telephone application being submitted. Local residents have not been informed of this additional mast.

23-24/185 PCC & PC meeting update

Number of Councillors attended the PCC & PC meeting. Discussion on what Parish Church does. Constructive meeting. Lighting timing being changed and electricity costs. New lighting in by October '24. Better programming for timers for the lights to be operated. Maintenance scheme was set up about 4 years ago both BOSPC and PCC to review maintenance schedule. A further meeting to take place in the future about once a quarter of the year. Maintaining the churchyard is not being maintained to the satisfaction of the PCC and BOSPC. A walk took place around the church and grounds. Future projects to be jointly organised. The groundsman to cut the grass back around the gravestones.

23-24/186 Finance

- a. To receive the Bank reconciliations as at 31st. March 2024
Councillors noted the Bank reconciliations as at 31st. March 2024
- b. To receive the comparison of Actual to Budgeted for 2023/24
Councillors noted the comparison of Actual to Budgeted for 2023/24
- c. To approve the payment of Accounts for April 2024 and to agree a transfer of funds to meet the Parish Council financial requirements. **All Agreed**

23-24/187 Planning

24/00252/FUL - The Othona Community East End Road Bradwell-on-sea
Installation of two wildlife ponds.

RESOLVED: Support this planning application

24/00166/FUL - Land Adjacent 9 St Peters Court Bradwell-on-sea Essex
Construction of a 4 bedroom house with granny annex above triple garage

RESOLVED: Support this planning application

23-24/188 Planning Decisions made by ECC / MDC affecting Bradwell on Sea

TCA/MAL/24/00094 - New Hall High Street Bradwell-on-sea Southminster
T1 Lime - Crown reduction by 2.5m, removal of deadwood. **ALLOWED TO PROCEED**

23-24/189 Appeals affecting Bradwell on Sea. No appeals submitted

23-24/190 Highways & public footpaths

- a) To report any new highways or public footpath defects & to report any repairs or updates on existing defects.
Letter to Trusses House to prune the overhanging tree which overhangs the road

23-24/191 Groundsman

- a) Update from the Groundsman. No report was given
- b) Clearance of Churchyard – To remove ivy and brambles from East End Road graves to the right of doors
- c) Cutting of Field – Field has been slightly cut. Mower is broken. Tractor has been removed to find the electrical fault. A member of the public has cut the recreation ground to allow the football teams to play.

Jobs to do: Pressure washer main doors: To remove ivy and brambles from East End Road graves to the right of doors: Remove Plastics tubes where no trees are growing at far end of field:

23-24/192 Village Hall and play area

- Update from the VH Committee.

Meeting last week. Discussed kitchen and a proposal to complete with a covered area. Move cooker and block small room door off. Roger to supply drawings and designs. Moving of Fire Exit doors to be discussed with Fire Brigade Officers. Joint meeting to take place on either 30.05 & 06.06.24

- Update/ reports on any findings on Councillors weekly checks of the hall. Any immediate repairs to be decided on. New schedule has been produced

23-24/193 Village Hall/Park Check List & Village Hall Maintenance Schedule

- a) Date of next Litter picking – Saturday and Sunday 20th. and 21st. April 2024 10am start on both days at the village hall
- b) Update on a new dog bin – Dog bin has been ordered
- c) Hedge by village hall requires trimming – Left until Autumn

23-24/194 District & County Councillors report

To receive a report from the District Councillor. Nothing to report due to election at MDC.

23-24/195 Receive and consider reports and minutes of meetings attended or information relating to meetings coming up

- 1) DHGPC / LCLC – update from Cllr J. Noble

Cllr J. Noble recently attended (27th March) the Bradwell Site LCLC (Local Community Liaison Council) virtual meeting. The Site Director, Ian Cuthbert, reported that there had been no significant safety or environmental events since the last meeting. The annual Care & Maintenance inspection is due to commence in September with approximately 250 civil, electrical and mechanical checks and examinations being undertaken.

Nuclear Restoration Services (NRS), formerly Magnox, will be enacting the first step in a revised long-term approach to the maintenance and inspection of specific assets such as voids. and through analysis of data from previous campaigns, will continue to review and optimise, where appropriate, the frequency of some of the inspection activities, e.g. Asbestos.

There was also an update regarding NRS Social-Economic Funding. The Village Hall decking replacement would be likely, if a request was submitted. There was an update from the Environmental Agency (EA) Inspector, with no non-compliance issues, breaches or enforcement notices since the last meeting. A five yearly review of Land and Water quality has been carried out.

Due to the excessive rainfall during December water ingress and flooding is a key concern, but no egress has been found. Gaseous and aqueous discharges showed no variant to previous years.

There was no update from the Nuclear Decommissioning Authority (NDA).

Further decommissioning is scheduled to restart in 2071, with completion planned for 2094.

There was a question regarding sea defences with respect to global rising tides. The response was NRS does not have a sea defence plan and 'Sea Defences' are the responsibility of the Local Authority.

- 2) Climate Action – Update from Cllr H. Baker

Email from Climate Action Group has been circulated to Councillors.

Met Sarah Troop from Maldon and District CVS (Community Voluntary Service) to seek advice on the suitable types of governance structure for a climate action group

Creating a skills and contact / links resource list was mentioned at the first meeting

Our local climate concerns for the Dengie as suggested at our first meeting (November 2023) largely fell into six areas. These were- Biodiversity, Transport, Energy, River pollution, Waste Recycling and Litter, and Community Engagement Publicity for Dengie Climate Action Partnership-

The Burnham and Dengie Focus and Mayland Mayl published features for DCAP in January

23-24/196 Ongoing village projects

To note and update as necessary, the ongoing village projects list. Councillors noted the ongoing list

23-24/197 Date of next meetings Monday 13th. May 2024 at **7pm** which is the Annual Residents meeting followed by the BOSPC AGM then onto a Full Council meeting

Councillors to note the meeting dates in 2024 - 17.06.24: 15.07.24: 16.09.24: 21.10.24: 18.11.24: 16.12.24

23-24/198 Any items for the next agenda

Joint meeting to take place on 30.05 or 06.06.24 update

23-24/199 To Close the meeting

To close the Meeting having considered and determined all items of business

The Chairman then closed the meeting at 9.05pm and thanked everyone for attending

Signed

M Neall
M. Neall
Chairman

13th. May 2024