

# **Bulmer Parish Council**



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**Dear Councillor**: You are summoned to attend a meeting of Bulmer Parish Council to be held on **Monday 15**<sup>th</sup> **January 2024 at 7.15pm at Bulmer Village Hall, Church Rd CO10 7EH** for the purpose of transacting the business ONLY shown on the agenda.

Signed: Claire Waters

Clerk to the Council Date: 9th January 2024

THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND

# **AGENDA**

#### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1.1 Councillor Vacancies: To note two current Councillor vacancies and actions needed to publicise them

#### 2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 20th November 2023

## 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Other Pecuniary Interests or Non-Pecuniary Interests relating to items on the agenda

#### 4. PUBLIC FORUM

15 minutes of public participation. 3 minutes for each contribution.

## 5. PROGRESS CHECK

Village maintenance issues and update on actions from last meeting

- **5.1 Defibrillators**: Update on defibrillator activation at 4 locations in Bulmer, sited at
- 1. Kitchen Hill, 2. By Bulmer Street noticeboard, 3. The Fox at Bulmer Tye and 4. Church Road by post box

## 6. HIGHWAYS & PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

Update on Highways issues and any new problems to report

- **6.1 Lower Houses road safety**: To consider a Local Highways Panel application for improved signage where pedestrians use the road between Footpaths 21, 25 and 8.
- **6.2 Bulmer Street parking obstruction**: To consider actions to improve safety where vehicles are parked at the Griggs Farm area during building works.

#### 7. REPORTS

- **7.1** Police/PCSO/Neighbourhood Watch.
- **7.2** Essex CC report
- **7.3** Braintree DC report

#### 8. REPRESENTATIVES AND WORKING GROUPS REPORTS

- **8.1 Allotments report**: Mr Mike Crome, Allotments Officer
- 8.2 Allotment greenhouse query: Consideration of request to use taped glass in a greenhouse
- **8.3 Garden allotment guery:** Consideration of a correspondence from garden allotment tenant

### 9. PLANNING

Applications received:

23/03001/LBC Proposed replacement of external sand and cement render with traditional lime render and isolated repairs

The Old Vicarage Sudbury Road CO10 7TA

Comment due 16th January 2024



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Applications received: Decisions to be ratified

**23/02895/COUPA** Prior approval for the change of use of agricultural building to a dwellinghouse (Class C3), and for associated operational development - Change of use to 2 no. residential dwellings.

The Piggeries Hedingham Road

Request application goes to full planning

Applications determined:

**23/02574/TPOCON** Notice of intent to carry out works to trees in a Conservation Area: T1 Blue Cedar Tree - 1.Remove lowest limb. 2.Remove dead wood. 3.Thin crown. G3 Conifer Trees X 3- Reduce to height just below power line. T4 Cherry Tree -Remove to ground level

Suffolk Hall Bulmer Street CO10 7EW

Application PERMITTED

23/02508/HH Erection of single bay cart lodge with open lean to

Inglefield Bulmer Street CO10 7EW

Application PERMITTED

**23/02369/FUL** Proposed development of 2no. detached 3 bedroom dwellings, with off road parking, utilising existing access from highway

Back House Croft Bulmer Street CO10 7EW

Application PERMITTED

23/02225/FUL Erection of Agricultural Building

Auberies Church Road CO10 7DY

Application PERMITTED

23/00455/OUT Outline planning application for 8no. dwellings with all matters reserved

Land Adjacent Kitchen Hill Application REFUSED

#### 10. FINANCE

- **10.1** The monthly payments to be approved for authorisation by two Councillors
- **10.2** Budget: Consideration and approval of Parish Council budget for financial year 2024 2025
- 10.3 Precept: Consideration and approval of precept claim for financial year 2024 2025
- **10.4** Parish Council Reserves: Decision on allocation of earmarked reserves and level of general reserve.

#### 11. BIODIVERSITY POLICY

To consider a draft Biodiversity Policy for future adoption. Under the 2021 Environment Act, public authorities (including town and parish councils) operating in England must consider what they can do to conserve and enhance biodiversity.

## 12. BDC POTENTIAL OPEN SPACE IMPROVEMENTS PLAN

To approve updates to the BDC POSI Plan, due by 26<sup>th</sup> January 2024. Formerly known as the Open Space Action Plan, this is a key document used by Braintree District Council as Local Planning Authority to demonstrate the need for additional and improved open spaces when seeking S.106 monitory contributions for Public Open Space improvements across the district. S.106 contributions now apply to housing development of 10 or more properties. The current Open Spaces Action Plan is available to view at <a href="https://www.braintree.gov.uk/homepage/113/opens-spaces-action-plan">https://www.braintree.gov.uk/homepage/113/opens-spaces-action-plan</a>

- 13. CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE to consider query from resident about shooting at Auberies estate
- 14. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING
- 15. MEETING DATES 2024

Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	7.15pm	Ordinary Parish	Council	Bulmer Village Hall

Councillors:	CLLR VACANCY	CLLR VACANCY	
	Cllr Antonia Crawshay	Cllr Christine Harvey	Cllr Rebecca Morris
	Cllr Laurence Nichols	Cllr Rose Raymond	
Copy to:	<b>County Councillor:</b>	Cllr Peter Schwier	
	District Councillor:	Cllr David Holland	