



Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to attend the forthcoming full council meeting of Bulmer Parish Council at **4.00 pm on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2020** for the purpose of transacting the business ONLY shown on the agenda.

Please note the change of time of the meeting

R Raymond

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# The Press and Public are welcome to attend

Please note that during the Coronavirus (Covid-19) Pandemic, Bulmer Parish Council will be holding its meetings online using the Zoom video conferencing facilities and no physical face to face meetings will be taking place at present.

The Parish Council has agreed a set of rules for the smooth running of meetings, which may be viewed on the website <a href="https://e-voice.org.uk/bulmerpc/">https://e-voice.org.uk/bulmerpc/</a>

The information required to access the meeting is as follows:

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75445310353?pwd=dkhzcllMNHJJdEEwZ0pFbldsaWZvQT09

Meeting ID: 754 4531 0353

Password: 8FyggB

The link to the meeting will also be available on the Parish Council website from 10.00am on Wednesday13th May 2020. This is to enable the public to have an opportunity to make comments or attend electronically.

# <u>AGENDA</u>

- **001/2020** The Council to agree to suspend Standing Order 2 (p) if necessary, and to appoint a Chairman for the meeting
- 002/2020 Chairman's Welcome
- 003/2020 Apologies for Absence

To receive apologies and resolve acceptance for absence

- **004/2020 Declarations of Interest** To receive any disclosable pecuniary, pecuniary or non-pecuniary Interest relating to items on the agenda
- **005/2020** Clerk of the Council and Responsible Financial Officer To appoint Miss Ann C Wood of LetchWood as the Locum Clerk of the Council and Locum Responsible Financial Officer for the time being





To devolve powers under the Council's Standing Orders and Financial Regulations to the Locum Clerk/RFO to allow for the smooth running of the Council during the current Covid-19 pandemic

006/2020 To approve the Minutes of the last meeting of Bulmer Parish Council

To receive and agree the minutes of the last full council meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2020.

#### 007/2020 Public Participation Session

The Chairman will invite questions and observations from members of the public present subject to a time limit of 3 minutes per person and a total of 15 minutes. Public participation and / or any questions are ONLY allowed during this agenda item.

**008/2020** V/E Commemoration 8/10th May 2020 To note that events for the commemoration of VE Day were cancelled due to the current pandemic situation and HM Government's advice that people should stay at home

# **009/2020** Annual Parish Meeting (Annual Assembly) To agree that the Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Parish Council Meeting should both be postponed this year, by powers given under the Coronavirus Act 2020

- 010/2020 Essex County Councillors report Cllr D. Finch
- 011/2020 District Councillors report Cllr W. Scattergood
- 012/2020 Chairman's report and any update since last meeting

### 013/2020 Clerks Report

Minute No.	Subject	Update
164/2020	County Broadband	Signed Licences posted back to County Broadband on 18 <sup>th</sup> March 2020
165/2020	UKPN Contract	The Locum Clerk has not been able to contact UKPN, following the meeting on 16 <sup>th</sup> March 2020
	Allotments	Copies of Agreements send to Cllr M Crome and payments banked
	Registers of Interests	Registers of Interests completed by new councillors and sent to Braintree District Council

### 014/2020 Representative reports / Parish Upkeep

<u>Village Green</u> - update <u>Allotments</u> - Update Cllr M Crome <u>Coes Meadow</u> – update <u>Website Update</u> – Cllr M Crome

### 015/2020 Planning Applications

To ratify comments agreed and sent to Braintree District Council

<u>20/00387/FUL - Land South Of, Hedingham Road, Bulmer</u> Application for replacement of existing buildings with offices

Bulmer Parish Council objects to this application on the following grounds: Whilst change of use has been granted to offices, and the design and footprint are the same as the existing agricultural buildings. The two offices provide places for up to 9 desks and therefore this would appear to give rise to increased activity at the entrance to this development on a potential hazardous entrance & exit from the site, which is on a blind bend.

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At a recent Bulmer Parish Council meeting a request was made by the applicant to ascertain whether Bulmer PC would support a 30mph speed application at this stretch of Hedingham Road. This would suggest the applicant is concerned at the potential increase activity from this access.

No indication is given as to what kind of business would use the new buildings and this may lead to even more activity from visitors to the offices.

## 20/00456/VAR - Land South Of, Hedingham Road, Bulmer

Variation of Condition 2 Approved Plans of permission 19/01516/FUL granted 21/02/20 - Proposed agricultural building. Amendment would allow resiting of the building 5m north west.

## Bulmer Parish Council objects to this application on the following grounds: The site slopes up to the south and it would appear the applicant in the original position would lift the front to meet the level at the rear of the proposed building. By moving it towards the North would mean a lower height of the building, but closer to the road and property opposite. The hedge between the building and the road is a deciduous hedge and gives very little screening during winter months.

The proposed development would be more dominant in a rural area.

#### 20/00457/VAR - Land South Of, Hedingham Road, Bulmer

Removal of Condition 6 of permission 19/01516/FUL granted 21.02.2020 for: Proposed agricultural building

Bulmer Parish Council does not support this variation on the basis of 20/00456/VAR The height of the building should still be approved by planning officers whatever the final position of the building is eventually agreed.

#### 20/00479/FUL - Pump House Adjacent Ashbourne Cottage, Smeetham Hall Lane, Bulmer

Demolition of existing Garages and erection of two dwelling houses, garages, access and landscaping and restoration of existing water pump station.

Bulmer Parish Council has no objection to this application, providing a change of finish is made.

Although this development is outside the village envelope, it will provide significant improvement to this location and restore the Pump house to a sounder structure. The house designs are sympathetic to the nearby Ashbourne house.

The plans show a white render and this would be out of place between the existing properties, which are all red brick. The Parish Council requests a change of finish is made

<u>20/00484/HH - Ridgecroft, Smeetham Hall Lane, Bulmer</u> Retention of fence to side and rear of property

Bulmer Parish Council has no objection to this planning application

#### 016/2020 Finance

To note income received by the Council 18<sup>th</sup> March 2020
Allotment Mr White - £32.50
Allotment Mr Hayto - £123.50
Allotment Mr Elsey - £82.03

27<sup>th</sup> April 2020 Allotment Mr Coombs - £13.78 Agenda for Full Council meeting on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2020 https://www.essexinfo.net/bulmer





Allotment Mr Buchanan - £75.40

30<sup>th</sup> April 2020 Braintree District Council (Precept) - £5252.00

- To ratify payments made between 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020 and 18<sup>th</sup> May 2020 Cheque 101528 (Replacement) - Philip Liverton Ltd (Grass cutting) - £360.00 Cheque 101529 – EALC (Annual Subscription) - £204.95 Cheque 101530 – Lyster & Associates (Newsletter Printing) - £66.00
- To agree payments to be made to Cheque 101531 - BHIB Insurance - £1862.15 Cheque 101532 - JPB Landscapes (Grass cutting) – £192.00
- Bank balances as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020
- Update on Annual Accounts and AGAR
- Council to agree that the Parish Council should use Internet Banking
- Council to agree how the Internet Banking will be managed

# 016/2020 Items for Next Agendas:

Any issues to be advised by councillors

#### **Proposed Dates of future meetings:**

Parish Council Meeting29th July 2020Parish Council Meeting21st September 2020Parish Council Meeting6th November 2020These dates will be confirmed as soon as possible