



Bulmer Parish Council



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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 29th. May 2025 at 7.55pm in the Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs R. Raymond (Chair), R. Burke, A. Crawshay, P. Paxton and Kevin B. Money (Locum Clerk to Parish Council). There were also 4 members of the public present

050/2025 Apologies for absence were received from ECC Cllr P. Schwier, BDC Cllr D. Holland and D. Burke

051/2025 Election of Chairman for the 2025/2026 year

Cllr R. Burke proposed Cllr R. Raymond to act as Chair for 2025-2026 year. Cllr P. Paxton seconded.

All Agreed. Cllr R. Raymond then signed the declaration of Acceptance of Office

052/2025 Election of Vice-Chairman for the 2025/2026 year

Cllr R. Raymond proposed Cllr R. Burke to act as Chair for 2025-2026 year. Cllr P. Paxton seconded.

All Agreed. Cllr R. Burke then signed the declaration of Acceptance of Office

053/2025 Co-Option

Councillors are requested to receive written application for the office of Parish Councillor and co-opt a candidate to fill the vacancy for the Bulmer Parish Council

The Candidate having completed a short application form and confirmed their eligibility for the position of Councillor within the statutory rules (Local Government Act 1972 section 79).

Cllr proposed to accept Theodore Bird as a Parish Councillor. Cllr seconded. **All Agreed.**

Cllr T. Bird then signed his declaration of Acceptance of Office, E Consent form and was given his Register of Interest form to be returned to the Clerk within 28 days.

Cllr T. Bird then took his seat as a Parish Councillor

054/2025 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests

To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary, Pecuniary or non-Pecuniary Interest relating to items on the agenda

None Declared

055/2025 Minutes of previous meeting

To approve the minutes of the meetings held 24th. March 2025 **All Agreed**

056/2025 Public Questions: 15 minutes time allowed for this item: Members of the public in attendance may ask the Parish Council a question.

No questions were asked

057/2025 Report from the Essex County Councillor No report was given

a) **50mph through Bulmer Tye is a danger to life**

058/2025 Report from Braintree District Councillor

BDC Cllr D. Holland report can be found at <https://e-voice.org.uk/bulmervillage/parish-council/minutes/>

059/2025 EALC Councillor Training

The Clerk gave an update of EALC organisation and the future on limited staff.

060/2025 Coe's Meadow – update on Committee meeting

Coe's Meadow committee has had a great start of the year with the VE Day coffee morning and lighting of the beacon raising £310.17p with further events to come throughout the year. The next event being the plant sale and craft sale on 7th. June

Coe's Meadow has several large expenses coming up this year. One of the biggest is the tree pollarding and the repairs to the play equipment. The committee is working hard to raise the funds with grants and fundraising events

The committee would like to thank all the people and businesses that have donated, supported us and came to the VE Day event and we look forward to seeing you at future events.



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061/2025 Gov.uk emails and website to be discussed

Budget this item into next year's precept.

062/2025 Update on path being sprayed on Main Road

Cllr R. Raymond has been in contact with Essex Highways

063/2025 Beacon post wood worm

The post has wood worm and is split. Therefore, a new post should be investigated by Cllr D. Burke

064/2025 Allotments Park Road Garden allotment tree

The Clerk to write to Mr. Coombes again to cut back the hedge, pollarding and ivy removed.

065/2025 Allotment Standpipe: Cllr R Raymond to provide an update.

As discussed at Annual Parish meeting

066/2025 Allotment update from M. Crome. As discussed at Annual Parish meeting

067/2025 Planning – including any Current Planning Applications requiring a response

25/00623/FUL - The Piggeries Hedingham Road Bulmer

Erection of 2 no. dwellings following demolition of existing outbuildings with permission for conversion.

25/01045/PLD - Suffolk Hall Bulmer Street Bulmer Essex CO10 7EW

Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness for a proposed development -Proposed outdoor swimming pool. Please note this is for information only and due to the type of application, BDC are unable to accept third party comments.

25/01082/TPO - Coes Meadow Bulmer Street Bulmer

Notice of intent to carry out works to trees protected by Tree Preservation Order 3/81 - Works will involve various tree species located within the red line boundary along the main avenue are to be pollarded back to previous pollard points where evident.

RESOLVED: Bulmer Parish Council Supports this planning application

25/00845/HH - Griggs Barn, Bulmer Street, Bulmer

Proposed two bay cart lodge and creation of new swimming pool.

Bulmer Parish Council responded to this application before BDC deadline. It submitted

Bulmer Parish Council has No objection to this planning application as long as it is in character with the house as it is listed property

25/00607/HH - Church Cottage Church Road Bulmer

Proposed detached cart lodge. Application **GRANTED** 9th. May 2025

068/2025 Councillor's Reports No reports were given

069/2025 2024/2025 Annual Return

- 1) To Receive the Internal Auditors report for 2024/2025

Councillors noted the Internal Auditors report for 2024/2025

- 2) To receive and sign the Certificate of Exemption – AGAR 2024/2025 part 2

Cllr R. Raymond proposed accepting and signing the Certificate of Exemption – AGAR 2024/2025 part 2. Cllr R. Burke seconded. **All Agreed**

The Chairman and Clerk then signed the Certificate of Exemption – AGAR 2024/25 part 2

- 3) To Receive and sign Section 1 - Annual Governance Statement of AGAR 2024/2025

Cllr R. Raymond proposed accepting and signing Section 1 - Annual Governance Statement of AGAR 2024/2025. Cllr P. Paxton seconded. **All Agreed**

The Chair and Clerk then signed Section 1 - Annual Governance Statement of AGAR 2024/2025



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4) To Receive and sign Section 2 - Accounting Statement of AGAR 2024/2025

Cllr R. Raymond proposed accepting and signing Section 2 - Accounting Statement of AGAR 2024/2025

Cllr A. Crawshay seconded. **All Agreed**

The Chair and RFO then signed Section 2 - Accounting Statement of AGAR 2024/2025

070/2025 Finance

a) To receive the Bank Reconciliations as at 30th. April 2025

Councillors noted the Bank Reconciliations as at 30th. April 2025

b) To receive the comparison of Actual against Budget for 2025/2026

Councillors noted the comparison of Actual against Budget for 2025/2026

c) To approve the payment of Accounts for April & May 2025 and to agree a transfer of funds to meet the Parish Council financial arrangements **All Agreed**

071/2025 Items for next agenda

Speeding in the village: s106 monies: Drainage issue in Church Street: Parking in Millfield:

Neighbourhood plan for Bulmer: Pebbles School:

072/2025 Date of next meeting: **MONDAY 28th. JULY 2025** at 7.15pm in Bulmer village hall

073/2025 Councillors to note 2025 meeting dates 22.09: 24.11.25

074/2025 Closure of the meeting

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

The Chair then closed the meeting at 9.15pm and thanked everyone for attending

Signed

R. Raymond - Chair

28th. July 2025