



COLCHESTER ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 5th. December 2019 at Marks Tey Village Hall at 7pm

Present: John Gili-Ross (Chairman), R. Johnstone (Vice-Chairman), Mick Mead Gt. Horkesley, Chris Stevenson West Bergholt, John Akker West Mersea, Dan Jordan Stanway, Robert Kean Winsted Hundred. Karen Thompson Boxted.

1. To receive apologies. Apologies were received from Simon Dougherty & Alan Frost Abberton & Langenhoe, Roger Mannion Tiptree, John Lindsay Messing-cum-Inworth, Stephen Scrase Wakes Colne, Sheila Beeton Dedham, Alan Walker Marks Tey PC.

2. Guest Speaker: Chris Stevenson Neighbourhood NP discussion -"Pre and Post NP Referendum".

Chris Stevenson Chair of NP Steering Group & Chair of West Bergholt PC gave a slide presentation to members present and took questions from members as he went along

- NP website is www.westbergholt.net
- 41% of residents turned out for the referendum
- WBPC used a numerous number of avenues to advertise the referendum
- Following the result, it was enshrined in CBC's planning guidance
- This NP to many years to complete. It started in 2012 and was completed in 2019
- As the village plan needing updated it was a good decision to start the NP
- The wording and jargon are quite daunting, but it is well worth staying with it in the end
- The NP is not all about housing.
- 21 sites of potential housing were identified. Most were on a small scale, but 2 larger sites were identified.
- The next step was to look at New Development Areas, including sporting, schools and traffic flow
- List of planning policies, list of community ambitions needs to be adopted.
- Publishing needs to be put in place at an early stage
- Finally, by using the plan correctly is can see off future planning applications.
- It can also be used to help shape planning applications

Chris Stevenson continued to take questions from members.

Chris will send to the Clerk his presentation slides to circulate to members and Clerks

3. To receive the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 20th. June 2019.
These will be signed at the March 2020 meeting. All Agreed

4. To receive reports:
a) Treasurer' report

The treasurer circulated the accounts and membership subscription (100%) of Councils to those present.

Members agreed to pay

Cheque number 100118 Kevin B. Money September meeting £218.00p

Cheque number 100119 Kevin B. Money December meeting £218.00p

Cheque number 100121 Marks Tey Village Hall 2020 meetings £139.20p

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b) Local Highways Panel

JGR informed the meeting of the latest LHP meeting. Money has been allocated to April 2020.

The meeting looked at new projects and especially those that can be brought forward for this year.

There were not a lot of projects in such a position to be considered.

Typical projects are – Footpaths, railings, pedestrian friendly surfaces, environmental issues (cycle schemes etc.), bus stop shelters.

More District and County Councillors are attending the meetings.

JGR informed the meeting of successful project funding.

c) Governance Board

Nothing to report

d) EALC Report

JGR informed members that as from 1st. April Charlene Slade is taking over as EALC CEO from Joy Darby.

Peter Davey is Chair of EALC, John Gili-Ross Vice Chair. Peter Davey is the Essex NALC Representative and also Chair of the NALC Scrutiny Committee.

Health & Wellbeing is being promoted heavily by EALC. Training can be undertaken from EALC, SLCC and NALC.

The EALC held the first CIF panel meeting and Colchester town and villages were successful in being awarded grants from ECC.

5. "Dedham Vale and Stour Valley Project Partnership. Appointment of Representative"

Christopher Arnold (Gt. Horkeley) was nominated. There was no other nomination. All members agreed to this nomination.

6. Information Sharing:

A120 and A133 link road consultation closes in December '19. Could all Parish and Town Councils reply to the consultation document. It was noted that there is no provision for pedestrians and cyclists in the link road scheme.

Date of next meetings:

Thursday 26th. March 2020 at Marks Tey Village Hall at 7pm

Thursday 18th. June 2020 at Marks Tey Village Hall at 7pm

Thursday 3rd. September 2020 at Marks Tey Village Hall at 7pm

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There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9pm and thanked everyone for attending.

Signed

26th. March 2020

John Gili-Ross

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