

A Meeting of the Parish Council was held at 8.02 pm in Thursday, 5th. January, 2006 in the Village Hall.

PRESENT

Cllr. Draper in the Chair, Cllrs. Amos, Harris and Palmer. In attendance were Borough Cllr. Poulter, the Clerk and one member of the public.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr. Applegate, and received from Cllr. Mrs. Tilby. Cllr. Williamson had sent a message that his arrival would be delayed.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes were signed as a true record of the Meeting held on 1st. December, 2005.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 1ST. DECEMBER 2005

Computer (Fa p.447)

The computer had been delivered. Transfer of files was proving more complicated than anticipated. The new and old cd writers were not compatible.

HFC Liaison Meeting 28th. November (HFC/PCL p.449)

The Club room project would be on all Agendas from the following month.

Hanningfield Water Siren (MfRa p.450)

A response had been received from the Water Co. that the siren testing is to continue on Friday mornings. On the occasion it was heard on a Thursday it was part of an internal emergency exercise, and "local residents" had been informed. This information had been forwarded to Mrs. Warsop who raised the query.

Newsletter (MfRb p.450)

A collection of village magazines/newsletters was being put together. The final one would be delivered the following day after which the set would be circulated. This item would go on the Agenda for the meeting on 26th. January.

CORRESPONDENCE

Street Naming and Numbering

It was noted that CBC Technical and Parking Services had received notification that it is intended to name the new property in Old Church Road (at the corner with Pan Lane) 'Briarfield'.

FINANCE**a) Payments**

The following cheques were signed:

To	Cheque	NET £	VAT £	TOTAL £	Explanation	Power
SLCC	101494			83.16	Annual subscription x .77	LGA 1972 S143
Hannas Field Charity	101495			9.00	Rent Meeting 1/12/05	LGA 1972 Sch 12 S10
MD Landscapes	101496	92.40 132.60 60.00 51.00	58.80	394.80	Mow Tye x 3, H Field x 3, Churchyard x 3, Strim Tye x 2, 22/9, 7/10, 2/12/05.	LG(MP)A 1976 S19 OSA 1906 S9(b)
Canon UK Ltd	101497	42.55	7.45	50.00	Copy charge 1/7-31/12/05.	LGA 1972 S111
Post Office Ltd	101498	188.32 493.04		681.36	PAYE & NI Oct. Nov. Dec 05	LGA 1972 S112

The following receipts were noted:

From	To Account	Amount £	Explanation
Barclays	Deposit	24.49	Quarterly interest to 2/12/05
Hanningfield Motor Co	Current	36.00	Newsletter advertising
Baddow Plumbing Services	Current	20.00	Newsletter advertising

b) Noticeboard

The Clerk reported that the noticeboard on the Tye had been vandalised at some time during the previous week. The damage was consistent with having been done by a vehicle. She had reported it to the police and was obtaining a quote for repairs.

PLANNING**a) Response to a Planning Application Between Meetings**

05/02239/FUL 2 Bicknacre Road (remove concrete panels from Airey house and rebuild with blockwork with render finish)

No objection.

b) Planning applications Considered at the Meeting**05/02292/FUL Homestead Cottage, Bennetts Avenue (single storey rear extension and new windows to front).**

PC objects to the proposed extension which would be an increase of 50%, which is a significant change to this property in the greenbelt. The recent application for certificate of lawful use of this building as a separate residence would suggest that the living accommodation is adequate and not wanting in basic amenities.

05/02367/FUL 2 Back lane (two storey rear extension).

No objection.

c) ECC Draft Statement of Community Involvement and Essex Minerals Development Documents

There was general support for the proposed pre-application consultation process but with the addition that it is essential that parish councils be advised of every pre-application as they are best placed to judge whether the proposed development would be significant to the community.

HFC/PC LIAISONa) Shop Lease

The current situation was reported. There was no outstanding action for HFC or PC.

b) Playarea and Playing Field Equipment

The estimates for fund raising purposes were noted as follows:

Children's Play Area – Phase 2		Cost inc. VAT £
1	Slide Safety Surface	1,260
2*	New Anti-dog palisade fence and 2 steel gates, 1 self closing (or dog grill)	3,925
TOTAL		5,185

* Fund from Colne Housing Section 106 money in 2007

Youth Equipment – Phase 2		Cost inc. VAT £
1	Youth Shelter	2,675
2	Youth Shelter Base	1063
3	Litter Bin	299
4	15 m square excavated & tarmaced area	9,283
5	Low level lighting for Sports Wall	1,762
6	Skate Board Facility - Tarmac & Ramps	21,033
TOTAL		36,115

COLNE HOUSING SCHEME OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR LOCAL PEOPLE.a) Scheme Update

It was agreed that Liz Best from CBC and Sandra Howard from Colne Housing should be invited to the next meeting to bring PC up to date on housing allocation.

COMMUNITY TRANSPORT

a) Parish Transport Survey.

Kris Radley, of the Rural Transport Partnership had been unable to attend the meeting, but had informed the Clerk that fast track funding was still available for parish councils to undertake transport surveys. There was other funding to finance schemes supported by survey data.

It was agreed that the Clerk should make a grant application as soon as possible, and that the format of the survey questionnaire should be finalised before the next meeting.

MATTERS FOR REPORT

a) Ron Saunders

It was noted that Ron Saunders had resigned his seat as Borough Councillor. The Clerk undertook to write to him and Mrs. Saunders to thank him for all his help with parish matters.

b) Toxic Chemicals

The Clerk undertook to inform CBC of the toxic chemicals in two buckets in Back Lane.

c) Gate Obstruction Back Lane

The Clerk reported that she had been contacted by the Police following a complaint to them that the obstruction in front of a field gate had been removed. The Police are to take the matter no further.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 9.28.