



FOXEARTH & LISTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Saturday 25th. January 2020 at Foxearth Village Hall at 9.45am.

Present: Cllr T. Clayton (Chairman), Cllr M. Posen (Vice-Chairman), Cllr K. Robson, Cllr W. Binks, Cllr K. Holmes and Kevin Money (Clerk to the Council).

There were also 6 members of the public in attendance.

001/2020 Chairman welcome. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

002/2020 Apologies for Absence were received from ECC Cllr D. Finch and BDC Cllr I. Parker

003/2020 Declaration of Interest

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

Cllr W. Binks declared a Pecuniary interest in item 012/2020

004/2020 To approve the Minutes of the last meeting of Foxearth & Liston Parish Council

To receive and agree the minutes of the last meeting held on 30th. November 2019

Cllr M. Posen proposed and Cllr K. Robson seconded that the minutes are a true and accurate record of the meeting. **All Agreed**

005/2020 Chairman's report and any update since last meeting

Any updates will be discussed in the meeting

006/2020 Clerks Report

1) New website as from March 2020. Cllr M. Posen informed the meeting on changing to a new website. He has approached a company who specialising in Parish Council website for £100 per annum. Training will cost £75. Cllr T. Clayton proposed changing to this company. Cllr W. Binks seconded.

All Agreed. Cllr M. Posen to undertake changing to the new website provider.

007/2020 Essex County Councillors report – ECC Cllr D. Finch

ECC Cllr D. Finch report can be found on the Parish Council website at

<https://www.essexinfo.net/foxearth-liston-parish-council/minutes/2020/>

008/2020 District Councillors report – BDC Cllr I. Parker

BDC Cllr I. Parker supplied the following report

I would like to update you on:

- The examination of Section 1 of the draft Local Plan (Garden Communities) is currently taking place and is due to end on Thursday 30th January.
- BDC have recently published their corporate strategy for 2020 to 2024. This can be viewed on the Council's website.
- There is currently a consultation on Braintree Town Centre to include pedestrianisation. The consultation closes on 6th Feb. Details on the BDC website.
- Work on the regeneration project at Manor Street, Braintree is due to start in March 2020.
- A new "Visit Braintree District" tourism website will be launched this month.
- By the end of March 2020, we should have delivered a further 200 affordable dwellings in the District.
- We have set up a Climate Change working group. The areas of focus are Transport, Resources, Energy Use, Planning and Development, Council Assets, Natural Environment and Adapting to Climate Change.

009/2020 Public Participation Session

The Chairman will invite questions and observations from members of the public present.

A maximum time of 15 minutes will be allowed

- An accident has happened where a lady broke her ankle in Foxearth at a stile number 21 at the junction of footpaths 21/22/23. Cllr K. Robson to investigate this accident and will report it to Essex County Council.
- The War Memorial is still an ongoing issue.
- The village sign update is to have the branches cut back and a very gentle clean to keep the sign looking good.
- CBB aftercare following works undertaken. Rubbish / earth needs removing from the gully's.



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010/2020 Broadband update – Cllr M. Posen

No further update has been received since the last meeting. Works are continuing and will be completed by March 2020. But it seems unlikely to be completed by then. Cllr M. Posen will contact CBB regarding standard of works and a completion date. The disruptive of residents when the village is closed for CBB works and residents' access must be maintained.

Can the PC be more proactive in asking CBB for updates and completion date, which includes a programme of works whether poles will be used or to go underground?

Cllr M. Posen proposed writing to ECC Cllr D. Finch to inform him of the resident's views of ECC Highways managing this issue.

011/2020 Footpath update – Cllr K. Robson

Bradfield Farm signs have fallen. Following the Public Participation Session Cllr K. Robson has taken all residents' concerns onboard.

ECC Cutting Service Agreement can be entered into. Cllr K. Robson to enquire and to obtain more detail from ECC.

Cllr T. Clayton informed the meeting that on the issue of the Permissive path in Liston he has received an acknowledgment of the application. This is still a lengthy process to undertake.

012/2020 Planning Applications

19/02151/HH & 19/02152/LBC - The Old Rectory, Foxearth Road, Liston

Replace conservatory roof with a zinc flat roof with 2no. glazed lanterns. Minor rear fenestration alterations. Kitchen, boot room, conservatory, and cloakroom re-ordering.

F&L Decision: After reviewing the application the Parish Council has no comment to make

013/2020 Decision/s made by BDC on planning applications. None affecting Foxearth or Liston

014/2020 Finance

- Bank balances as at 31st. December 2019 and 2019/20 budget account previously circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting

Councillors noted the Bank balances as at 31st. December 2019 and 2019/20 budget account

- Councillors to agree payment of January 2020 finances (previously circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting)

Cllr M. Posen proposed and Cllr W. Binks seconded to authorise the January 2020 payments. **All agreed**

- Councillors to sign the 2020/21 Precept form for BDC

Cllr M. Posen proposed and Cllr K. Holmes seconded that the Chairman and RFO sign the 2020/21 Precept form. A request to BDC for £6905 Precept which equates to a Band D property of 44.96p.

All Agreed

Items for Next Agenda

Highways / Transport – regular item on the Agenda

Date of Next Full Council meeting – 21st. MARCH 2020

23.05.20 (Annual Electors meeting followed by PC AGM): 25.07.20: 19.09.20: 21.11.20

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 10.35am and thanked everyone for attending

Signed

21st. March 2020

Tony Clayton