**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the pavilion on 9th January 2020**

# **Present:**

Cllr K Hornett (Chairman), Cllr R Collins, Cllr L Kane, Clerk

# **In Attendance:**

District Cllr R Siddall, 1 member of the public

# **19/35 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Knapman and Armstrong.

# **19/36 Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings**

Held on 7th November and 10th December 2019 were signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

# **19/37 Declarations of Interest**

None.

# **19/38 Maldon District Councillor Update**

## Cllr Siddall reported the following:

* Local Highways Panel applications have been submitted. They will be heard at the March LHP meeting.
* Potential youth group in Great Totham. Funding available from Chelmsford City Council.
* There is an understanding that Maldon Yacht Club will not be evicted.
* Potential building of a cinema in Maldon.
* Potential scheme similar to the ‘Dengie Dart’ bus service.
* Community Policing presentation. The total of community policy officers going from 8 up to 12. The police have a WhatsApp group with Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators.
* Change to Maldon District Council’s website. ‘My Maldon’ can be used to contact the DC.
* The Community Pay Back team is available for works around the village at no cost. The Volunteer Trust offer a more specialised service at £250 per day.
* Cllr Siddall was involved in Priti Patel’s election campaign.

# **19/39 Public Participation Session**

No comments.

# **19/40 Speed Checks**

Further information on Maldon District Council’s TruCam speed check service was discussed.

# **19/41 Finance**

**41.1** **It was resolved that** the Parish Council to approve the budget for the 2020/21 financial year.

**41.2** **It was resolved that** the Parish Council to adopt a precept of £8,160 for the 2020/21 financial year; Band D equivalent of £45.66.

# **19/42 Council Policies**

**It was resolved that** the Parish Council to adopt the Data Protection and Data Retention policies.

# **19/43 Planning**

No planning applications were considered at the meeting.

# **19/44 New website**

The Clerk is setting up a new, free website through Voice.

# **19/45 Essex County Council Transport Meeting**

The Clerk will attend one of the transport meetings and feedback to the Parish Council. Cllr Hornett expressed an interest in the EALC’s forthcoming Unauthorised Encampment Briefing.

# **19/46 Accounts for Payment**

**46.1** **It was resolved that** the December accounts for payment be approved as follows:

 Staff costs £206.20

 HMRC £98.80

 Little Braxted Parish Council £92.36

 Office expenses £34.61

# **19/47 Dates of the next Parish Council Meetings**

The following dates were agreed:

Thursday 5th March, Thursday 7th May and Thursday 2nd July 2020.

# **19/48 General Announcements**

Cllr Hornett reported on three recent burglaries in the village. He requested that this information be published in the Braxted Bulletin. Cllr Kane will get in touch with the Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator.

The Clerk reported on the closure of Little Braxted Bridge from 17th February for 10 days. Essex Highways are replacing the post and rail parapet.

## **Meeting closed at 9.15pm**