

# Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the pavilion on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019

## **Present:**

Mr K Hornett(Chairman), Mr G Elder, Mrs B Spensley, Mrs W Roderick & Miss S Mann (Clerk)

## **1. Apologies for Absence**

Mr I Armstrong.

## **2. Declarations of Interest**

Mr Hornett declared an interest when Item 6.4 was discussed as he is the All Saints Treasurer.

## **3. Minutes of the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

Confirmed and signed as a true record.

## **4. Matters Arising**

4.1 Mr Elder asked for clarification regarding Item 6.6 Precept 2019-20. The Clerk outlined her plans to retire in June when the Audit for 2018-19 has been completed. A new Clerk would be sought and funding would be available at the going rate determined by NALC. Mr Elder announced that he would not be seeking re-election owing to work commitments. He was thanked for his contribution to the Council and his help with various working parties in the village. Mr Elder said he would give his support wherever possible.

## **5. Police Matters/Neighbourhood Watch report**

5.1 No major incidents in the village. There had been a hit and run accident at the Lea Lane-Braxted Park Road Junction. It was also reported a number of traveller's caravans had arrived in Lea Lane but had now dispersed.

## **6. Finance**

6.1 Council agreed payment of £98.76p for Clerk's salary and expenses for Jan/Feb.

6.2 Council agreed payment of £1000.00p +VAT (£1200) to R & G Mann for field maintenance.

6.3 The Clerk outlined the grant process for the defib. Prior to applying for the grant the Council needed to determine its contribution towards the purchase and all agreed to allocate £500.00p

6.4 Council agreed to donate £500 to All Saints Church to help with the upkeep of the Church Yard.

6.5 Council agreed payment of £70.00p to Pavilion Management Committee for hire of the pavilion for meetings.

## **7. Planning**

### **7.1 19/00149/COUPA**

Old House Farm, Braxted Rd, Kelvedon. Application supported.

### **7.2 ENF/14/00139/01**

Breach of planning control at Hawthorns, Braxted Park Road. Council decided not to respond to this appeal.

Be built in rural parishes under the 'Rural Exception Site' scheme.

## **8. Highways**

The Clerk reported that Sextons Lane would be closed in April for water main works. No other issues reported.

## **9. Correspondence**

Information about the local elections on May 2<sup>nd</sup> had been received from Maldon DC and the relevant notices put on the noticeboard.

## **10. Village Clean Up**

14<sup>th</sup> April 2019. The Clerk had booked the Pavilion and would contact Maldon DC . The rubbish in the gateway/field along Tiptree Rd was discussed and the Clerk would contact Braxted Park Estates the landowners.

## **11. AOB**

### **11.1 Trees along Tiptree Road**

Mrs Spensley expressed concern regarding the Oak Trees in the playground whose boughs were overhanging Tiptree Rd. It was agreed that professional help was needed as the branches were over the highway.

### **11.2 Fete. 16.9.2019**

A date had been fixed but organisers/helpers were needed.

## **12. Date of Next Meeting**

9<sup>th</sup> May 2019. AGM.