# **Great Waltham Parish Council**

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Minutes of the Virtual Meeting of the Great Waltham Parish Council held online on Monday 15th March 2021 at 7.00pm

20/661 Chairman's Welcome

Chairman: Cllr Steel Councilors: Jackson, Martin, Micklem, Gilbert, Lockwood, Palmer, Huggins, Dunn, Jenkins and McDevitt.

20/662 Apologies None required

20/663 Declarations of interests (existence and nature) with regard to items on the agenda and any request for dispensation. None given

20/664 Public Participation session

8 Member of the public

### 20/672

**21/00200/FUL** Discussion on the planning application in support of use of brownfield land. Refurbishment of a building within the site as an ancillary dwelling for use by family member. This is a reduced scheme compared to previous applications. Conversion building could be a one bedroom with a live work unit. Ancillary building to be used for storage only – it is small and would not be suitable for a dwelling. Lodge A – to be converted to a C3 status. This creates a building that could subsequently be sold as a separate dwelling.

Neighbor – Objection In appropriate change of a shed to a dwelling. Large plot of land. No services to the shed. Out of keeping with the VDS and the village scene.

Neighbor – Objection. Development in the open countryside. Exposed hillside. The dwelling would be observed from several locations on the footpaths.

One of the co authors of the VDS for North end. This application does not meet the VDS guidelines.

Neighbor – Objection. 4<sup>th</sup> attempt on the land. Planning Inspector has refused this previously. Ancillary building must be tied to the main dwelling.

**20/680** One member of the public to talk about the grant for a building / shelter for the gardening support club at Old Park Meadow as part of its enhancement to the natural setting of the area. Ford End School has been approached for nature walks and an outside space that they can use. 4 Oak post, floor, rafter, slates on the roof, Bug shelters – a shelter not a building. The grant is for labour. Materials including £3,882.26 for the materials, £1000 for labour and £200 contingency. Old Park Meadow would own the building.

# 20/665 Report by County Councillor - Cllr John Aldridge

Covid response is going in the right direction. Fundamentals remain the same. Vaccination continues at a good rate. ECC £500k grant to assist the volunteer groups.

Army & Navy – last vestiges being removed. 3 proposals but none of them are a fly over. ECC will approve the funding for NE bypass and the new Station at Beaulieu. There will be consultation shortly on the bypass.

ECC budget - £0 budget increase. But a 1.5% social care precept increase.

The £10,000 Locality fund will be continued for 2021-2022.

LHP will have a budget increase from £500k to £700k.

Town centre by Shire Hall will be pedestrianised in front of Shire hall. Restrictions and road closures with one way system.

Local consultations on Walking and Cycling.

Community Governance review with response as a Parish Council.

DWP – Kickstart operation to assist with 18-24 to get back into employment. Temporary pothole repairs have been undertaken ahead of planned works to do a permanent repair. Please report potholes online.

20/666 Report by Chelmsford City Councillor - Cllr Mike Steel

Meeting with the Cabinet Member - he restated his commitment to the £75K but also to work with the supplier to see if there is a way of cheapening the. Funding gap also raised with our MP, Kemi Badenoch, and she is giving some thought to it.

On Friday, there was an accident where a vehicle ran into the school wall, demolishing it, and damaging 4 staff cars.

## Resolution The Minutes were confirmed.

<u>20/668 Feedback from the recreation working group meeting 9<sup>th</sup> March 2021</u> Meeting took place. Very productive and action list reviewed follow up meeting on Monday 22nd March.

20/669 Note the Minutes of the Extra Ordinary Recreation committee meeting on 03 03 2021 **Resolution** The minutes were noted

20/670Note the minutes of the planning meeting on 03 03 2021**ResolutionThe minutes were noted** 

#### 20/671 Local Planning Authority Decisions

Reference \$	Address ¢	Type 💠	Status 🛊
20/02049/FUL	Bards Hall Mashbury Road Great Waltham Chelmsford Essex CM1 4TL	Application	Application Permitted
21/00090/LBC	Duffries Cottage South Street Great Waltham Chelmsford Essex CM3 1DG	Application	Application Permitted
21/00089/FUL	Duffries Cottage South Street Great Waltham Chelmsford Essex CM3 1DG	Application	Application Permitted

### 20/672 Planning Applications for Discussion

### 1. Reference: 21/00367/FUL

Address: 9 Walnut Tree Cottages Margaret Woods Road Great Waltham Chelmsford Description of works: Orangery rear extension

### Resolution The Parish Council has no objections to the planning application.

### 2. Reference: 21/00200/FUL

Address: Land North Of Mill Road North End Dunmow

Description of works: Conversion of one existing building to a single residential dwelling and the conversion of one other building to an ancillary residential use with associated garden and landscaping.

**Resolution:** The Parish Council objects on the basis that this application contradicts the North End village design statement. It has been demonstrated in the past by appeals and inspectors reports that to put a building on the countryside of North End is going outside of the building establishment of the village. However, we note that the VDS encourages the development of derelict buildings and we as a Parish Council support the building of smaller dwelling units in principle.

#### 20/673 Clerk's Report

• See attached Report

# 20/674 Financial Reports - Clerk

	Total on Hand		£58,594.60	
•	Current Account		<u>£ 14,601.60</u>	
	0	Allotment Deposits	£ 400	
	0	General Reserve	£ 16,416	
	0	Capital works	£ 11,820	
	0	CIL Monies	£ 15,357	
•	Reserve Account		<u>£ 43,993</u>	

20/675 Confirmation of payments to be made:

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01.03.2021	Village Hall Rent	£312.00	Office Rent	
16.03.2021	Chatham Hall Estate	£350.00	Allotment Rent	
16.03.2021	JCM	£594.00	Recreation ground	
16.03.2021	Glasdon	£789.62	Recreation ground	
16.03.2021	HAGS	£10,003.44	Recreation ground	

16.03.2021	Amazon	£15.75	Recreation ground
16.03.2021	Strutt &Parker	£20.00	Recreation ground
16.03.2021	Amazon	£11.09	Handyman Equipment
16.03.2021	Amazon	£8.23	Handyman Equipment
16.03.2021	Amazon	£10.13	Handyman Equipment
16.03.2021	Essex Pension Fund	£369.79	Pension
16.03.2021	HMRC	£524.64	PAYE
16.03.2021	Clerks Expenses	£104.09	Expenses
16.03.2021	Salary Payments	£1,206.16	Salary
16.03.2021	Amazon	£122.22	Recreation ground
16.03.2021	Amazon	£28.95	Recreation ground
16.03.2021	Amazon	£33.88	Recreation ground
16.03.2021	Amazon	£4.98	Recreation ground
16.03.2021	Amazon	£12.48	Recreation ground
16.03.2021	ICO	£35.00	Subscription
16.03.2021	Cllr Martin – Sports Pavilion	£1273.38	Reserves

### TOTAL £15,829.83

#### Resolution The Payments were approved.

20/676 Monthly Bank reconciliation – Clerk & Chairman F&GP **Resolution** Approved

20/677 Does the Council wish to respond to the Writtle Neighbourhood Plan consultation The meeting was informed that the Writtle Neighborhood Plan (NP) was now going through the City Council consultation process.

It was also stated that one of the outcomes on an NP is that CIL increases from 15% to 25 and removal of caps.

<u>GWPC did not feel qualified to make any statements in relation to the Writtle NP.</u> <u>Resolution No comment</u>

20/678 To discuss a policy on recording meetings, and if agreed, whether such recordings should be posted on other media.

The meeting considered the pros and cons of recording meetings, including the practicalities of recording face-to-face meetings, However, it recognised that if someone thought a meeting (or section of a meeting) should be recorded, it could take a vote on whether to do so,

# <u>Resolution</u> The Parish Council will not video record meetings as a matter of course but agrees to have a vote on any specific item requested in the future.

<u>20/679 To consider whether the council wishes to respond to MHCLG's consultation Right to Regenerate: reform of the Right to Contest.</u>

Resolution: Item closed as discussed on February Agenda.

20/680 To consider application for grant from Gardening Support Group, Old Park Meadow for £941

The PC considered a request for a £941 grant towards a hide/shelter. Total cost £4,882 with £3,000 from own sources, £941 from Stansted Airport Passenger Community Fund, and balance request from GWPC,

Cllr Dunn and Cllr Martin visited the site to understand the potential benefits. The Wildlife nature reserve is Open 24/7 with Parking and pedestrian access and benefits residents. 2 E-mails were received in support of the application and shared with the Parish Council.

An amended Proposal to award a grant of £100 was proposed but not seconded An amended Proposal to award a grant of £500 was proposed but not seconded Therefore, the original Proposal to consider the request as presented, was proposed, seconded, and voted upon.

#### <u>Resolution The Grant for the full amount £941 was approved with a caveat that this</u> <u>should be repaid if the ownership is transferred, or the site is closed to the public.</u>

20/681 Arrangements for Great Waltham Parish Annual Assembly 1st June 2021.

<u>Resolution</u> The annual meeting will be held via Zoom due to the Covid restrictions on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> June as advertised.

<u>Resolution</u> Annual report of 2 pages to go into the Parish News. Chairman of each <u>Committee to create part of the report.</u>

<u>Resolution</u> Chairman to invite the various Parish Organisations and request a written report if possible.

<u>Resolution</u> Chairman to request Steve Scott Haynes or equivalent Police <u>Representative.</u>

20/682 Great Waltham Bus Shelter Bin – should a new recycling facility be ordered?

<u>Resolution</u> Recreation working group to Look into a recycled bin for outside the <u>school</u>

Resolution Move the current yellow 'post' bin to the Great Waltham Bus Shelter

<u>Resolution</u> Clerk to speak to Great Waltham School about the proposed bin change.

20/683 Update on Recreation Ground Projects.

The Parish Council have a grant bid award under the Locality fund - £1000 for Picnic bench & Contribution to base at Ford End to be claimed before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021. These will be installed by Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March.

Resolution Clerk to claim the grant once all paperwork is received.

The Parish Council have a grant bid award under the Locality fund - £1000 towards the kitchen units in the recreation ground at Great Waltham.

Resolution Clerk to claim the grant once all paperwork is received.

The Ford End Multi Play unit quoted by Hags has been reviewed and there is a slight increase of a little over £150.Potential offsets being reviewed. *Resolution: Work to proceed* 

Pavilion at Great Waltham – Building Control paperwork to be issued to Chelmsford City Council. Additional electrical wiring and building insulation works will increases the cost by around £1100

20/684 Discuss and approve any items for media broadcast by the Parish Council.

- Standard precis of Minutes for the Parish News
- Thanks for Howe Street for the Litter Pick completed on 13<sup>th</sup> / 14<sup>th</sup> March.
- Advertising for the GW litter pick in April
- FE recreation ground update + Average Speed Camera update
- Report on the Disappearance of a Boot scraper at Ford End recreation ground.
- Remind Allotments holder that invoices have all been issued.

Next Monthly Meeting Monday 19th April 2021 @ 7pm

Meeting Closed 21.35 Will Adshead-Grant Clerk to the Council