

Margaret Roding Parish Council

MINUTES

Ordinary Meeting of Margaret Roding Parish Council
held on Tuesday 2nd October 2018, at The Farmhouse, Reid Rooms

Present

Cllr Peter Briggs
Cllr Ian Crisp (Chairman)
Cllr Simon Phillips
Cllr Chris Turner
Clerk Allison Ward

County and District Cllr Susan Barker (*leaving after agenda item 5*)

Residents and Visitors 0 residents

1	Apologies for absence	
	Were received from Cllr Cooper and Cllr Player and accepted by the Parish Council.	
2	Declaration of Interest for this meeting	
	None.	
3	Public Forum	
	None.	
4	Minutes	
	Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting 10 th July 2018 were proposed by Cllr Crisp as a true record, seconded by Cllr Briggs with all in agreement. The Chairman of the meeting signed the minutes.	
5	County and District Cllr Report	
	Uttlesford is due to issue a further 6-week focused consultation on the Local Plan, 'Addendum of Focused Changes to Regulation 19 Local Plan'. The proposed amendments do not alter the strategy of the Local Plan, but seek to clarify a number of matters which have come about following the Planning Inspectors examination of the North Essex Authorities Local Plan, in particular in relation to the proposed development site West of Braintree. The Planning Inspector has requested further work from the North Essex Authorities which will not be complete at the point Uttlesford's plan is presented to the Planning Inspector. Uttlesford remains of the view the West of Braintree site is a sustainable location, however further wording is required in the Local Plan to reflect the increase risk levels and to set out what measures the Council will take if there are delivery issues around the West of Braintree site. Further information will be available on the Uttlesford website, including how to respond.	
	Cllr Barker confirmed there is a new head of waste at Uttlesford; it is hoped the issues experienced by residents will not reoccur.	

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	The Parish Council shared their frustration with vehicles parking on the verge of the A1060 beyond the junction with Marks Hall Lane. Cllr Barker suggested that as an alternative to bollards it might be possible to put in a clearway order to prohibit parking on the verge; Clerk to investigate. Cllr Barker agreed to contact the landlord whose tenants are using the verge to park vehicles.	Clerk
6	Clerk's Progress Update and Correspondence	
6.1	Essex County Council, (ECC), is keen to explore how joint working between ECC and Parish/Town Councils could deliver better outcomes for residents and businesses and are looking for Parish Councils to pilot with. The Parish Council agreed that with limited services required in the parish there was little benefit to being involved at this stage.	
6.2	Uttlesford District Council is launching a campaign, 'We're Watching You' in November and are looking for Parish Councils to engage with the plan, put up posters and monitor whether they make a difference. The Parish Council were of the view there were no dog fouling 'hot spots' within the village and therefore they would not be able to contribute to the monitoring plan.	
6.3	Uttlesford District Council has commissioned management consultancy Knight, Kavanagh & Page (KKP) to carry out a Sports Facilities and Recreation Strategy in the area, which will result in the production of an area wide strategy. The Clerk will prepare a response on behalf of the Parish Council.	Clerk
6.4	The Clerk has again written and spoken to Thames Water who continue to say they will not permit a defibrillator on the external wall of the pumping station. The Clerk was asked to whether there were any other alternatives including the site of the old phone box.	Clerk
6.5	Uttlesford has confirmed it will not provide a salt bin for The Gossetts car park. Cllr Phillips proposed that the Parish Council purchases and stocks a bin, this was seconded by Cllr Turner with all in favour.	Clerk
7	Cllrs Reports	
7.1	Environment and Health – A letter of complaint re the poor waste services was sent to Uttlesford during August and a response received confirming additional measures including a program of replacement vehicles and improved maintenance were being put in place to ensure a satisfactory service could be provided.	
7.2	Environment and Health – The Clerk was asked to submit an Uttlesford Highways Panel request for bollards along the verge of the A1060 to prevent parking.	Clerk
7.3	Transport – The Clerk will again submit an Uttlesford Highways Panel request for 40mph signage along Marks Hall Lane.	Clerk
7.4	Communication – Nothing to report.	
7.5	Local Government – Nothing to report.	

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8	Planning	
8.1	Applications - None	
8.2	Decisions	
	<p>Application No UTT/18/1076/HHF Location Hilenor, Chelmsford Road Development Side extension, new porch, changes to first floor dormers to velux windows and new pitched roof. Decision Conditional Approval</p> <p>To note an amendment was received to this application between meetings which removed the garage from the application. As this was the only concern of the Parish Council in the original application no additional comment was submitted.</p>	
9	Stansted Airport	
	<p>A special Planning Committee meeting is scheduled for 10am on Wednesday 17 October to consider a planning application from London Stansted Airport in which it seeks to raise its current cap on the number of passengers it is permitted to serve from 35 million passengers per annum (mppa) to 43mppa. Additional public sessions will be held on 9th and 10th October. <i>(To note post meeting these dates were revised; the Planning Committee meeting is 14th November)</i></p> <p>There will be an urgent meeting of the SSE, Parish & Town Council Liaison Group on Wednesday 3rd October in Birchanger Village Hall starting at 8pm. The one agenda item will be Stansted Airport's planning application and Uttlesford's process. No Cllrs are available to attend.</p> <p>MAGS has issued a consultation on the Stansted Airport Noise Action Plan 2019-2023. This action plan sets out the airports strategy for managing airport noise and reducing its impact on the local communities. The Parish Council agreed not to respond.</p>	
10	Village Map	
	<p>Cllr Briggs presented the new village map to the Parish Council. Cllr Crisp proposed a vote of thanks be recorded to Cllr Briggs for all his work on researching and bringing the content and map together. All agreed the map was an excellent document. The Parish Council discussed distribution and agreed to distribute free to each household with the next round of flyers for the 11th November event.</p>	All
11	Village Footpaths	
	<p>Cllrs were encouraged to report an issues with footpaths directly on the Essex Highways report an issue website. The Clerk notes some way markers are missing and will request these from Essex County Cllr; Cllr Turner offered to ensure these were put up.</p>	Clerk

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12	<p style="text-align: center;">Village Commemoration Event 11th November</p> <p>The Parish Council discussed arrangements for the commemorative event and agreed the following,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To apply for a £100 grant from Stansted Community Trust Fund. • To request a £100 grant from District Cllr Susan Barker's fund. • Any non-residents who are not contributing to the event will be asked to make a donation to attend. • Cllr Turner to be responsible for transport should any residents require it. • Cllr Crisp proposed an incentive to encourage residents to attend. Cllr Turner offered a bottle of champagne as the prize. • Cllr Briggs discussed food and it was suggested a price per head of c.£4. • Cllr Briggs suggested it may be necessary to hire crockery etc. • The Clerk was asked to arrange a meeting with the Reid Rooms to discuss arrangements. • Clerk to look at options for a beacon. • Clerk to produce a risk assessment for Cllr Crisp to consider. • An estimate of income and expenditure was considered. Cllr Crisp proposed that the Parish Council contributes £500 to the event, this was seconded by Cllr Turner with all in agreement. • Cllrs agreed that any profits from the event would be donated to Help for Heroes. 	All								
13	<p style="text-align: center;">Vehicle Activated Sign</p> <p>Cllr Crisp proposed that the Parish Council purchases a sign to the value of £2,500 including solar power. This was seconded by Cllr Turner with all in agreement.</p>	Clerk								
14	<p style="text-align: center;">Highways, Footpaths and Transport</p> <p>14.1 The Uttlesford Highway Rangers were in the village during the summer and carried out some minor maintenance works cutting back vegetation and cleaning signs.</p> <p>14.2 The Parish Council were pleased to see the weeds were cleared from the footpaths alongside the A1060 in September, however they are of the view that this will not resolve the problem as the weeds will just return unless the paths are relayed.</p> <p>14.3 The Clerk was asked to contact the landowners to arrange for vegetation between Margaret Roding and Leaden Roding to be cut back.</p>	Clerk								
15	<p style="text-align: center;">Finance</p> <p>15.1 Cllr Crisp proposed the following cheques be issued, this was seconded by Cllr Briggs with all in agreement.</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 80%;">Allison Ward (Parish Clerk salary and office expenses)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 116.76</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Latitude Maps – Inc Vat</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 816.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Fireworks Crazy – Inc Vat (two payments)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 750.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>.</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	Allison Ward (Parish Clerk salary and office expenses)	£ 116.76	Latitude Maps – Inc Vat	£ 816.00	Fireworks Crazy – Inc Vat (two payments)	£ 750.00	.		
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15.2	The Clerk presented the quarterly finances for the period to September 2018 and these were accepted by the Parish Council. They confirm a cash balance at the end of September of £8,388.	
16	<p style="text-align: center;">Items for next Agenda</p> Nothing in addition	
17	<p style="text-align: center;">Date of Next Meeting</p> Tuesday 27 th November 2018 at 7.30pm in The Farmhouse, Reid Rooms. The meeting finished at 9.10pm	

ALLISON WARD
Clerk to Margaret Roding Parish Council

Signed
 Ian Crisp
 Vice Chairman Margaret Roding Parish Council