

# Margaret Roding Parish Council

## MINUTES

**Ordinary Meeting of Margaret Roding Parish Council**  
held on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2021 at The Farmhouse, Reid Rooms

**Present** Cllr Peter Briggs  
Cllr Lee Cooper (chairman)  
Cllr Simon Phillips  
Cllr Lorraine Player  
Cllr Chris Turner  
Clerk Allison Ward

**Residents and Visitors** 0 residents

	<b>Apologies for absence</b>	
<b>1</b>	Cllr Ian Crisp sent apologies to the meeting whilst ongoing Covid risks continue, this was accepted by the Parish Council.	
	<b>Declaration of Interest for this meeting</b>	
<b>2</b>	None	
	<b>Public Forum</b>	
<b>3</b>	None	
	<b>Minutes</b>	
<b>4</b>	Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting 6 <sup>th</sup> May 2021 were proposed by Cllr Cooper as a true record, seconded by Cllr Briggs with all in agreement. The minutes will be signed by the Chairman.	
	<b>County and District Cllr Report</b>	
<b>5</b>	County and District Cllr Susan Barker sent apologies to the meeting due to a commitment to attend a district meeting.	
	<b>Clerk's Progress Update and Correspondence</b>	
<b>6.1</b>	At the end of May the Planning Inspectors allowed the appeal which gives MAGs permission to increase passenger numbers to 43m. Various correspondence from Uttlesford and Stansted Airport Watch following this decision has been circulated to the Parish Council. Uttlesford is now seeking High Court action to challenge this decision.	
<b>6.2</b>	The Annual Governance and Accountability Return has been forwarded to the External Auditors. All documentation is available on the Parish Council section of the village website including notice of public rights setting out the process and timeframe (14 June-23 July 2021) whereby electors can review the accounts and submit any comments or objections to the auditors.	
<b>6.3</b>	Notification of closure of Ongar Road, Marks Hall Lane, due to commence on 11th August 2021 for 6 days. The closure is required for the safety of the public and workforce while Gigaclear Limited undertakes superfast broadband installation.	

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<p>6.4</p> <p>6.5</p>	<p>Uttlesford is due to issue a list of the sites submitted in the Local Plan, call for sites tomorrow. District Cllr Barker send an early notification and Cllrs noted the site put forward on the A1060 in front of Margaret Roding woods. The next stage is for Uttlesford to evaluate each site before consultation in 2022.</p> <p>The issue with a suitable location for the defibrillator was again considered as putting on a domestic property is not a favoured option. Cllrs considered whether a solar power option could be considered for The Gossetts car park, Clerk will investigate further.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>7</p> <p>7.1</p> <p>7.2</p> <p>7.3</p> <p>7.4</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Councillor's Updates</b></p> <p>Environment and Health – Overgrown hedges along the A1060 footpath continue to be an issue. It was also noted a tree/bush has fallen on the bend adjacent to the track and opposite Garnish Hall and the church, Clerk to contact the landowner.</p> <p>Transport – Nothing to report.</p> <p>Communication – The meeting noted a small section of the parish adjacent to Leaden Roding parish is not due for fibre connections until quarter 3 2022</p> <p>Local Government – Nothing to report.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>8</p> <p>8.1</p> <p>8.2</p> <p>8.3</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Planning</b></p> <p><b>8.1 Applications</b></p> <p>The deadline for commenting on both of the following applications has now passed. For the records Cllr Briggs confirmed no comment on either of these applications, this was seconded by Cllr Turner with all in agreement.</p> <p>Application No UTT/21/1928/HHF  Location Chasefields, Marks Hall Lane  Development Rear extension and loft conversion</p> <p>Application No UTT/21/1899/HHF  Location Hornes Peppers Green  Development Proposed two storey rear extension, proposed single storey side extension and log burner with flue. Cllr Briggs proposed no comment on this application, this was seconded by Cllr Turner with all in agreement.</p> <p><b>8.2 Decisions</b></p> <p>Application No UTT/21/0986/HHF  Location White Hall, Chelmsford Road  Development Demolition of conservatory and erection of two storey extension to provide garden room and 2 en suite bathrooms  Decision Approved</p> <p><b>8.3 Local Plan Update</b></p> <p>Cllrs notified the invitation to attend an online workshop hosted by the chair of the Local Plan Leadership Group to receive an update on the Local Plan and to allow for a discussion of the sites received during the call for sites. No Cllrs are available to attend.</p>	

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9	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Salt Bag Partnership</b></p> <p>Cllrs agreed to take part in Essex Highways winter salt scheme, however there is no requirement for salt.</p>	Clerk
10	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Community Governance Review of Parishes</b></p> <p>Uttlesford District Council is undertaking a Community Governance Review. This provides an opportunity to review and make changes to governance arrangements at parish level. The Parish Council considered and agreed they have no changes to propose to the current boundary arrangements, or number of Parish Cllrs for Margaret Roding.</p>	
11	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations</b></p> <p>There will be an extended bank holiday from Thursday 2nd to Sunday 5th June 2022 which will provide an opportunity for communities and people to come together to celebrate the historic milestone.</p> <p>Thursday 2nd June - Beacons to be lit at 9.15pm. The Parish Council discussed and agreed they would like to take part.</p> <p>Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June – The Big Lunch. The Parish Council were keen to bring the community together for this event with a possible picnic.</p> <p>The Clerk was asked to contact The Reid Rooms to see if the venue will be available over this weekend, if this is not possible alternative options will be considered.</p>	Clerk
12	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Highways and Footpaths</b></p> <p><b>12.1</b> Flooding in the village – The Essex Watercourse Engineer has confirmed that Margaret Roding is on the list for CCTV cameras to investigate the surface water drain from Hillenor to Marks Hall Lane, however there is no timeframe available for when this can be completed, and it is not a priority on Essex Highways lists.</p> <p><b>12.2</b> Essex Highway Log 2697002 sign defect at village entry knocked over, Essex Highways have now completed the works and the sign has been reinstated.</p> <p><b>12.3</b> There are some large potholes in The Gossetts, this is a private road under the ownership of Uttlesford District Council. Clerk to report.</p> <p><b>12.4</b> Clerk to report overhanging vegetation and weeds which are encroaching the footpath from Hillenor to Ongar Road, and which make it very difficult to walk along this stretch.</p>	Clerk   Clerk  Clerk
13	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Finance</b></p> <p><b>13.1</b> Cllr Briggs proposed the Parish Council retrospectively approves the lowest insurance quote for the year from 1 June 2021; Parish Protect at a cost of £155.15, this was seconded by Cllr Phillips with all in agreement.</p> <p><b>13.2</b> The Clerk presented the quarterly accounts for the period April to June 2021 including an updated full year estimate. The current cash balance as of June 2021 is £7,292. There were no questions or concerns, and the reports were accepted by the Parish Council.</p>	Clerk

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13.3	<p>Cllr Briggs proposed the following cheque be issued; this was seconded by Cllr Player with all in agreement.</p> <table data-bbox="250 373 1370 436"> <tr> <td>Allison Ward (Parish Clerk salary June and July 2021 plus expenses)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 122.64</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rural Community Council of Essex – Annual subscription inc VAT</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 52.80</td> </tr> </table>	Allison Ward (Parish Clerk salary June and July 2021 plus expenses)	£ 122.64	Rural Community Council of Essex – Annual subscription inc VAT	£ 52.80	
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14	<p><b>Items for next Agenda</b></p> <p>Nothing in addition.</p>					
15	<p><b>Date of Next Meeting</b></p> <p>Tuesday 28 September 2021 at 7.30pm in The Farmhouse at the Reid Rooms. The meeting finished at 8.50pm.</p>					