

A meeting of Margaretting Parish Council took place at The Village Hall on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2016 at 7.30 p.m.

Present; H Blurton, L Edwards (Chairman), T Paoli-Burke, C Quilter, P Slade, A Smith and A Wallace.

In attendance were three members of the public.

**12. Apologies for absence** were received from P Slade and Cllr I Grundy.

**13. Declaration of Interest** L Edwards had a declaration of interest regarding planning application 16/00638/FUL 6 Bank End Cottage, she would not be commenting on the application.

#### **14. Democratic Time**

- a. W Henderson reported the ongoing problem with water on the road at Nunns Crossing.
- b. The trains were still sounding their horns late at night which should cease as soon as the Secretary of State agrees that the footpath is closed. T Paoli-Burke to speak to the parishioner who complained.
- c. Mr and Mrs Albon reported on the meeting they were going to attend on 25<sup>th</sup> June regarding the closure of the footpath across Parsonage Lane level crossing.
- d. Events at Tyelands seemed to have quietened down. The Environment Agency are changing their agents to Hilbury Chaplin who will take control of the property on 20<sup>th</sup> June when it is expected that the property will be boarded up.

#### **15. Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting dated 12<sup>th</sup> May 2016 were agreed and signed as a true and correct record.

#### **16. Matters Arising**

- i. Village Sign – H Blurton reported that he had sent two emails but to date has had no response.
- ii. Telephone Box at The Tye – Clerk reported that she had made a start with filling out the forms to adopt the kiosk.

#### **17. Accounts**

P Savill outlined the balances, reserves and the completed unaudited paperwork which had been independently audited and was to be forwarded to the auditor to be signed off. Councillors agreed the accounts following P Savill's summary of them.

Authority was given for payment of the following;

ROSPA	£ 96.60
C Kochan	£473.75
M D Landscapes	£439.20
Hog Roast	£500.00

#### **18. Community Matters**

- a. Skateboarding - No further complaints were reported.
- b. Maldon Road playing field – C Quilter to purchase a new padlock for the gate to replace the missing one with four keys.

#### **19. Open Reach**

There was still an ongoing problem with telephone connections. Parishioners were urged to report any faults and problems.

## 20. Village Sites

- (i) Repairs & Maintenance – H Blurton reported that quotes for the Bus Shelter opposite The Red Lion were in hand. There was nothing to report about the Lavender Bank.
- (ii) Village Hall Sign – This item was being followed up by Cllr Grundy.
- (iii) Ponds & Trees – It was reported that a date had been arranged for the pond to be cleared of weed by the Conservation Volunteers.
- (iv) H Blurton reported that the cherry trees on the corner of Parsonage Lane were being taken down.

## 21. Roads, Pavements, Footpaths & Bridleways

- a. L Edwards to photograph the cars parked on the pavement in Maldon Road and pass it onto the Enforcement Officer.
- b. L Edwards to check the bridleway between Margaretting Church & Stock.
- c. L Edwards to contact Lawrence Page for an up to date copy of footpaths and bridleway numbers.

## 22. Queens Celebration

P Savill outlined the event and the competitions that were to take place. 70 tickets had been sold for the hog roast.

## 23. Planning

16/06002/HRN	Coptfold Hall Farm, Writtle Road	No Objections
To make 2 fields into 1 for the economic ease of modern farming.		
16/00638/FUL	6 Bank End Cottages, Maldon Road	No objection to side extension but front addition is contrary to Village Design Statement and out of character with the rest of the block.
	Front Porch and two story front and side addition with 2 first floor side windows.	PC Object
16/00829/FUL	4 Whitesbridge Cottages	inappropriate development to a listed building
	Two storey side & rear extension	
16/00799/FUL	The Willows, Private Road	No Objections
16/00769/FUL	Furze Lodge, Writtle Road	No Objections
<u>APPEAL</u>	Rivermead, Private Road	
14/00196/ENFB	Appeal Ref; APP/W1525/C/16/3148678	
Without planning permission the material change of use, comprising the creation within the land of a separate planning unit for the site and use of a caravan for residential purposes.		
<u>Decisions</u>		
Jonette, Pennys Lane	15/00755/FUL	Refused
Workshop east of Mole Cottage, London Road		16/00467/FUL
Elm Cottage, main Road	16/00060/FUL	Refused
		Granted

It was reported that land at Four Oaks, Ivy Barn lane had been sold.

## 24. Correspondence

- a. The PC didn't need any salt for the roads – clerk to inform Highways.
- b. Judging had started for The Village of the Year.

## 25. Any Other Business

Glenside Cottages – L Edwards to contact L Cameron who may be able to help find the right contact in the city council to help sort out the grassed area outside Glenside Cottages.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.50 p.m  
Next meeting Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2016 at 7.30 p.m.