

MOUNT BURES PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 22nd. June 2023 at 7.30pm in Mount Bures Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs I. Woodman (Chairman), F. Willett (Vice-Chairman), M. Graham, CBC Cllr W. Sunnacks and Kevin B. Money (Parish Clerk). There were also 1 member of the public present

062/2023 Chairman's welcome The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

063/2023 Apologies for Absence Apologies were received from ECC Cllr L. Barber

064/2023 Declaration of Members interests

To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary, Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary interest relating to items on the agenda. **None Declared**

065/2023 To approve the minutes of the last meeting of Mount Bures Parish Council

To receive and agree the minutes of the MBPC Meeting held on 9th. May 2023. **All Agreed**

066/2023 Co-Option

Councillors are requested to receive written application for the office of Parish Councillor and to co-opt a candidate/s to fill the existing vacancies

The Candidate having completed a short application form and confirmed her eligibility for the position of Councillor within the statutory rules (Local Government Act 1972 section 79). Forms have been returned to the Parish Clerk by the prescribed deadline 31st. May 2023

Cllr M. Graham proposed accepting Hillary Bufton onto the Parish Council. Cllr F. Willett seconded.

All Agreed.

Cllr Bufton then signed the Declaration of Acceptance Office, Register of Interest and E Consent form.

Cllr H. Bufton then took her seat as a Parish Councillor

067/2023 Public Open Forum (Maximum 15 minutes)

As from December the Garden waste collection will be charged to residents.

Cllr W. Sunnacks replied by saying that it is a Colchester Council decision. This may result in additional fly-tipping and bonfires.

A visit to Crossing Cottage by the local MP (Sir B. Jenkin) and Cllr W. Sunnacks is happening tomorrow.

068/2023 Training

a) **Report from Cllr I. Woodman** on EALC course on affordable housing

Attended a zoom meeting on affordable housing. The tutor spoke about

- How are they assessed
- Instructor was the one who assists Bures Hamlet
- The course was provided in a good and concise atmosphere
- Affordable housing in perpetuity

The complete set of slide presentation can be found at

<https://e-voice.org.uk/mountburespc/rcce-affordable-housing/>

069/2023 Visitors Report

CBC still has a budget problem.

Cllr W. Sunnacks spoke about the National Grid pylons around area and CBC Councillors are totally against the pylons being erected and used

The Chairman spoke about being charged £64 for an un-contested election. Cllr W. Sunnacks is taken this issue up with the Election Team at CBC

070/2023 Repainting of Village Sign – Update from Parish Clerk

No update on the ongoing works to the village sign. The Clerk to chase up

071/2023 Planning Applications. No planning applications have been received

072/2023 Planning Decisions made by CBC affecting Mount Bures

230893 - Orchard Lodge, Dowling Road, Mount Bures, Bures, CO8 5AY
Proposed two storey rear extension. **Approve Conditional**

073/2023 Finance

- a) To receive the Bank balances as at 31st. May 2023
Councillors noted the Bank balances as at 31st. May 2023
- b) To receive the comparison of Actual against Budget for 2023/2024
Councillors noted the comparison of Actual against Budget for 2023/2024
- c) To approve payments for June 2023 and to agree a transfer of funds to meet the Parish Council financial requirements. **All Agreed**

074/2023 Information Exchange

Strimmer is back with the manufacturers. In the interim footpaths are not being cut.
Place on website – footpaths are being cut in due course

075/2023 Items for next agenda

Update on Strimmer
Environmental policy – See CBC website

076/2023 To confirm date and time of next meeting. Tuesday 12th. September 2023 at 7.30pm

077/2023 Closure of the meeting

To close the meeting having considered and determined all items of business

The Chairman then closed the meeting at 8.10pm and thanked everyone to attending

Signed

**Ian Woodman
Chairman**

12th. September 2023