

MOUNT BURES PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 14th. May 2024 at 8pm in Mount Bures Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs I. Woodman (Chair), F. Willett (Vice-Chair), H. Bufton, M. Graham and Kevin B. Money (Parish Clerk). There were also 1 members of the public present.

038/2024 Chairman's welcome

039/2024 **Apologies for Absence** were received from CCC Cllr W. Sunnucks

040/2024 Declaration of Members interests

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

041/2024 To approve the minutes of the last meeting of Mount Bures Parish Council

To receive and agree the minutes of the last MBPC meeting held on 12th. March 2024. **All Agreed**

042/2024 Planning Applications

1. Colchester Local Plan Review

Cllr I. Woodman had circulated the Colchester Local Plan Review emails. The Local Plan team had sent the Parish Council the draft Mount Bures settlement profile. This looked like a generally accurate description covering school provision, infrastructure and sustainable travel. The reference to bus routes could be read as implying that all the local buses passed through the largest settlement in the Parish and ran hourly, which is not precisely correct. But given the relatively close proximity of the bus stops on the Colchester Road to the settlement and the fact that, collectively, the bus services offered an hourly service to the nearest towns the description seemed adequate. The draft profile also mentioned the lack of any 'Green Space' - that is open space with unrestricted public access – within the parish and made no reference to the village green which has been used by residents for over 40 years. The planning team had advised the Parish Council that consideration could be given in the Local Plan process formally to designating the village green as 'Green Space'. The Parish Council agreed to take this forward at its next meeting.

043/2024 **Planning Decisions made by CCC affecting Mount Bures.** None affecting Mount Bures

044/2024 Annual Return for 2023/24

1) To receive the 2023/24 signed Internal Audit Report
 Councillors noted and accepted the Internal Auditors report

2) To receive and sign the Certificate of Exemption – AGAR 2023/24 part 2
 Cllr I. Woodman proposed signing the Certificate of Exemption of the AGAR 2023/24 part 2.
 Cllr F. Willett seconded. **All Agreed**

The Chairman and Clerk then signed the Certificate of Exemption – AGAR 2023/24 part 2

3) To receive and sign the Section 1 - Annual Governance Statement 2023/24
 Cllr I. Woodman proposed signing the Section 1 of the Annual Governance Statement 2023/24. Cllr H. Bufton seconded. **All Agreed**

The Chairman and Clerk then signed the Section 1 of the Annual Governance Statement 2023/24

4) To receive and sign the Section 2 - Accounting Statements 2023/24
 Cllr I. Woodman proposed signing Section 2 - Accounting Statements 2023/24. Cllr M. Graham seconded. **All Agreed.**

The Chairman and RFO then signed Section 2 of the Accounting Statements 2023/24

045/2024 Finance

a) To receive the Bank balances as at 30th. April 2024
 Councillors noted the Bank balances as at 30th. April 2024

b) To receive the comparison of Actual against Budget for 2024/25
 Councillors noted the comparison of Actual against Budget for 2024/25

c) To approve payments for April and May 2023 and to agree a transfer of funds to meet the Parish Council financial requirements. **All Agreed**

046/2024 Information Exchange

The Clerk offered to attend the EALC AGM

047/2024 Items for next agenda

Village Green – Green space: CCC Local Plan review

048/2024 To confirm date and time of next meeting. Tuesday 9th. July 2024 at 7.30pm

049/2024 Closure of the meeting

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

The Chairman then closed the meeting at 8.30pm and thanked everyone for attending

Signed

I Woodman

10th. September 2024

**Ian Woodman
Chairman**