



FOR THE COMMON GOOD OF THE COMMUNITY

Minutes of the of the Noak Bridge Parish Council meeting, held in Function Room 1, Barleylands Farm on Wednesday 18th November at 7:30pm

Present

Councillors:

Peter Steggles

Les Sharrard

Valerie Bayley

Sue Sunderland

Alan Frost

15/056 Apologies for absence

Apologies received from Councillor Rajack due to prior commitments

15/057 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Bayley has an interest on planning application 15/01360/FULL; Councillor Bayley will not speak or vote on this item.

Councillor Frost and Councillor Steggles have an interest on item 15/061, although this is an information exchange item and no decisions will be made.

15/058 Minutes.

Minutes of the 30th September approved and signed as a true record of the meeting.

15/059 Public Participation for the length of time determined by the Chair

Concerns regarding the 100 bus route and the planned Highways works to be carried out by Essex County Council	Clerk has contacted First Buses regarding the following works: the closure of Wash Road between
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	Barleylands Road and Pipp's Hill Road, and the closure of the A129 between Mill Road and Barleylands Road. Essex County Council notice is dated the 18 th November; there is 18 months for this works to be carried out. First buses will notify the Parish Council if there is any planned disruption to the route.
Dummy Cameras in Park	A resident asks whether dummy cameras in the park would help with the problems with anti-social behaviour, future agenda item after elections.
LV Hamper donated to Noak Bridge Primary School	Councillor Sharrard nominated Noak Bridge Primary School for a LV hamper; the Noak Bridge Primary School won the prize and will use the hamper as a future raffle prize. Thanks expressed to Councillor Sharrard and his daughter.
Roundabout in Park is missing but the base still spins even though the roundabout is not on there, this could be a hazard.	Clerk to contact Rob Baker
Crime	Concerns rose about the teenager who was assaulted of an early evening and reports that a man is masturbating in public. Clerk to contact Essex Police.

15/060 Anti-social behaviour at Teen Shelter

Following the consultation to move the shelter in August 2014 where residents were in favour of keeping the shelter in the current location, the anti-social behaviour problems have not improved and an increasing amount of residents are contacting the Parish Council regarding the on-going problems, the Clerk informs all residents that they must report the problems to Essex Police and Basildon Council Streetcare. Basildon Council are having a meeting with the anti-social behaviour team and the police on the 5th November. Parish Council have been advised to send all correspondence via the call centre and not contact the officer directly.

Parish Councillors discuss that they feel as though their hands are tied, the Shelter belongs to the Parish Council but the meetings to discuss the shelter are attended by Basildon Council, it is hard for the Parish Council to keep residents in the loop when they are not involved in the discussions.

Proposal: Ownership of the teen shelter to be transferred to Basildon Council

Propose: Councillor Sharrard

Seconded: Councillor Frost

Vote: All in favour

15/061 Insurance for storage container on Noak Bridge Nature Reserve

Tony Garner reported that the Noak Bridge Nature Reserve were considering purchasing a container for storage, but the cost of insurance is not sustainable for the nature reserve to continuously fund with the membership fees at the current rate. The Clerk contacted the Parish Council insurance regarding the container being added to the Parish Council insurance, this is only possible if the Parish Council purchase the shelter. Councillor Sharrard stated that second-hand containers could be purchased quite reasonably, Councillor Sharrard to forward details to Tony.

15/062 Resignation of Councillor Dobby

Resignation of Councillor Dobby received, Councillor Dobby will continue to advise on maintenance and parish council projects when required but is unable to commit to the role of a Parish Councillor due to work commitments. Thanks expressed to Tim Dobby for his support over the years.

15/063 'Tudor Style' Bus shelter in Bridge Street and RTI information to be installed in existing shelters

Works completed on the Bridge Street bus shelter, Councillor Steggles approved works.

Following meeting with Essex County Council it has been agreed that the Perspex shelter is replaced with a wooden shelter, which is in keeping with the conservation area. RTI boards are due to be installed by March 2016

15/064 Finance

Payments

Payee	Description	Amount
Barleylands 000747	November Parish Council meeting	£ 100.00
Barleylands 000749	December –invoice not yet received (children’s Christmas Party)	£ 200.00
Skittleman	To be paid in December	Approx £260.00
Jack Marshall 000748	Bus shelter renovation works	£ 4200.00

15/065 Planning

Planning applications for consideration, comments to be submitted to Basildon Council. Applications can be viewed at www.basildon.gov.uk/eplanning - **no objections on any applications**

Proposed erection of a single storey extension
21 Kimberley Drive Noak Bridge Basildon SS15 4DU
Ref. No: 15/01351/FULL

Replacement of windows and doors in Upvc/composite
59 Bridgecote Lane Laindon Basildon Essex SS15 4BW
Ref. No: 15/01237/FULL

Prior notification for a single storey rear extension extending 3.6 metres beyond the rear wall of the original dwelling with a maximum height of 3.65 metres and an eaves height of 2.65 metres.
142 Wash Road Laindon Essex SS15 4BE
Ref. No: 15/01423/PDPA

Proposed demolition of conservatory and construction of single storey side and rear extension
28 Bridgecote Lane Laindon Basildon SS15 4BW
Ref. No: 15/01360/FULL

Removal of existing timber weatherboard cladding and replacement with Marley Cedral fibre cement weatherboard cladding in white. (1-65 Bridgecote Lane)
Open for Comment
1 Bridgecote Lane Laindon Basildon Essex SS15 4BW
Ref. No: 15/01109/FULL

15/066 Coppice Lane Pond

Basildon Council has stated that they are waiting for a Hydrological survey to be carried out due to the pond not retaining water. Steve Prewer advised the clerk that

“Ahead of the commissioning of the work, the Parish Council might want to consider the potential outcome of the survey? This could recommend expensive engineering works to maintain higher water levels and to ensure the flow into the pond is filtered effectively to reduce silt and pollution.”

Possible CIF project in April when next round of funds is available.

15/067 Bollards for South Wash Road Playing Field

Gary Edwards has stated that he will research into the principle of third parties funding protection works and that it hopes that information will be available in the New Year.

15/068 Removal of 30mph signs in Wash Road

Councillor Le Gresley has taken photos of the signs when they were in situ and forwarded them to Essex County Council requesting that they are replaced.

15/069 Children’s Christmas Party

Date set for Sunday 20th December 11am-1:30pm, tickets priced at £5.00, location of party Function Room 1 Barleylands Craft Village. Noak Bridge Parish Council to purchase toys, Clerk will fund Father Christmas suit, remaining toys will be stored for next year’s party. Cash from the event will be held as Petty Cash to support local resident who carries out small maintenance works within the Parish.

15/070 Meeting Calendar

Future meeting dates 7:30pm

Wednesday 20th January 2016

Wednesday 23rd March 2016

Wednesday 20th April 2016

Pursuant to section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the meeting is not open to the public and press for this item of business and they will be instructed to withdraw.

15/071 Professional Advice received

Councillor Steggles reported on information received. Councillor Sunderland and Steggles met with Solicitor, all councillors agree communication. Councillor Steggles to action.

15/072 External Auditor

Councillors informed of correspondence from External Auditor, clerk to respond once workload is quieter.

15/073 Close of meeting

Meeting closed 9:30pm