

PENTLOW PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 14 MARCH 2023 AT 7.00 PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL

20 PRESENT – MISS M DAVIES – CHAIR
MR D WRIGHT
MR J CALVER
MR T BARTLETT
MRS K HOYE – CLERK

21 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC – 3

22 APOLOGIES – MISS R SIMNETT

23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – NONE WERE DECLARED

24 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 17 JANUARY 2023
COUNCILLORS AGREED THESE WERE A TRUE RECORD AND WERE THEREFORE SIGNED BY THE CHAIR
AS CORRECT.

25 MATTERS ARISING

VILLAGE HALL UPDATE

CLLR DAVIES HAD PREPARED A DRAFT CONSTITUTION WHICH SHOULD ASSIST THE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE IN THE FUTURE, ALL COUNCILLORS APPROVED THE DRAFT WHICH WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE AT THEIR NEXT MEETING.

REFUSE VEHICLE HIRE TO CONFIRM DETAILS OF NEXT VISIT

THIS HAS BEEN BOOKED FOR SATURDAY 25 MARCH 2023 FROM 10.00 AM TO 12.00 NOON AT THE VILLAGE HALL, THE CLERK HAS ALREADY ORGANISED THE DELIVERY OF A FLYER TO ALL HOUSEHOLDS DETAILING THE NEW WASTE REGULATIONS REGARDING THE DISPOSAL OF CERTAIN TYPES OF WASTE.

SCHOOL ROAD PLANNING ISSUES UPDATE

THE SITUATION REMAINS ONGOING AS THE CASE HAS NOT BEEN ASSIGNED TO ANOTHER PLANNING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, BRAINTREE DISTRICT COUNCIL HAVE ADVISED THE CLERK TO SUBMIT ANOTHER REPORT DESPITE THE ORIGINAL CASE OFFICER ADVISING THE CASE WOULD BE RE-OPENED. THE CLERK WOULD REPORT AT THE NEXT MEETING.

PINKUAH ARMS COMMUNITY ASSET ORDER UPDATE

CLLR DAVIES ADVISED 24 REPLIES HAVE BEEN RECEIVED IN RESPONSE TO THE ARTICLE IN THE PARISH MAGAZINE, ALL RESPONSES WERE IN FAVOUR OF THE COMMUNITY ASSET ORDER BEING RENEWED, COUNCILLORS AGREED THE APPLICATION SHOULD BE RE-SUBMITTED, CLLRS DAVIES TO DRAFT THE RESPONSE AND DISTRIBUTE TO ALL COUNCILLORS FOR CONSIDERATION.

MAY LOCAL ELECTIONS UPDATE

THE CLERK HAS PUBLICISED AND PROMOTED THE ELECTION AND ADVISED NO INFORMATION OR NOMINATION PAPERS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED FROM BRAINTREE DISTRICT COUNCIL AS YET, THE CLERK HAS ALREADY MADE ENQUIRIES.

TWENTY'S PLENTY CAMPAIGN UPDATE

CLLR BARTLETT HAD BEEN PROVIDED WITH A TEMPLATE LETTER TO BE SENT TO ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CABINET MEMBER FOR SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT, ALL COUNCILLORS AGREED TO SUPPORT THE CAMPAIGN, CLLR DAVIES SIGNED THE LETTER WHICH THE CLERK WILL SEND TO ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL.

CORONATION CELEBRATIONS OF KING CHARLES III UPDATE

ON BEHALF OF CLLR WRIGHT, THE CLERK HAS LIAISED WITH THE FARMING FAMILY CONCERNED AND INVITED A REPRESENTATIVE TO SPEAK AT THIS MEETING, COUNCILLORS WERE ADVISED THAT A SMALL PRE-PLANNING MEETING HAD BEEN HELD AND THE SUGGESTIONS WERE THAT THE CELEBRATIONS WOULD BE HELD IN A FIELD WITH A BARN FOR COVER IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER, THERE WOULD BE PLENTY OF PARKING AND PORTALOOS WOULD BE ARRANGED, IT WAS PROPOSED TO LIGHT THE BEACON, PROVIDE MUSIC AND A HOG ROAST FOR £5.00 A TICKET, THOSE ATTENDING WOULD NEED TO BRING THEIR OWN DRINKS AND CHAIRS, COUNCILLORS APPROVED OF THESE PROPOSALS WHICH WOULD ALSO BE PRESENTED TO THE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE.

COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH GROUP UPDATE

THE CLERK HAS FORWARDED DETAILS OF A PARISHIONER WHO HAS EXPRESSED AN INTEREST IN JOINING THE GROUP TO CLLR BARTLETT WHO ADVISED THE VOLUNTEER IS CURRENTLY UNDERTAKING THE REQUIRED TRAINING, THE CLERK PASSED A POLICE SPEED WATCH LEAFLET TO CLLR BARTLETT FOR INFORMATION.

26 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS WERE MADE

PLEASED TO HEAR THE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE HAVE APPOINTED A NEW MAINTENANCE OFFICER.

SUGGESTED THAT THE THREE LOCAL PARISHES COULD SUPPORT EACH OTHER REGARDING PROBLEMS WITH SPEEDING TRAFFIC.

FAVOURABLE REMARKS WERE MADE REGARDING THE PLANS FOR THE CORONATION CELEBRATIONS.

27 TO AGREE 2023 FOOTPATH MAINTENANCE ARRANGEMENT

COUNCILLORS AGREED THE SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT WITH ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL SHOULD BE RENEWED FOR ANOTHER YEAR, CLLR CALVER TO SIGN THE PAPERWORK, RETURN TO ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL AND FORWARD A COPY TO THE CLERK WHEN COMPLETE, IT IS HOPED THE SAME LOCAL FARMER WILL CUT THE FOOTPATHS, CLLR CALVER WILL REPORT AT THE NEXT MEETING.

28 PLANNING CONSULTATION

10-03-23	23/00491/HH	SIMPSONS FARM	NO COMMENTS
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29 FINANCE

CHEQUES PREVIOUSLY APPROVED + SIGNED

CHEQUE 186 – £ 60.60 – D WRIGHT – TELEPHONE BOX PAINT

CHEQUE 187 – £552.60 – P BOWERS – 2022 FOOTPATH MAINTENANCE

TO CONSIDER A CONTRIBUTION TO THE KINGS'S CORONATION CELEBRATIONS

A REQUEST HAS BEEN RECEIVED FOR A DONATION TOWARDS THE PARISH CELEBRATIONS, AFTER DISCUSSION COUNCILLORS AGREED TO CONTRIBUTE £400.00 ON THE BASIS THAT ANY MONEY NOT SPENT SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE PARISH COUNCIL, THIS BEING THE SAME AGREEMENT FOR THE QUEEN'S JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS IN 2022.

CHEQUE TO APPROVE + SIGN

CHEQUE 188 – £369.98 – PARISH CLERK ARGOS – NEW LAPTOP AND PRINTER

30 CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE

BRAINTREE DISTRICT COUNCIL – CANDIDATES + AGENT BRIEFINGS – FORWARDED
BRAINTREE DISTRICT COUNCIL – LOCAL ELECTIONS 2023 + VOTER ID – PUBLICISED
BRAINTREE DISTRICT COUNCIL – STREET CLEANING AGREEMENT – RESPONDED

31 CLERK'S REPORT

IN MAY THE CLERK WILL HAVE SERVED 10 YEARS AND FELT THAT THE TIME WOULD THEN BE RIGHT TO STAND DOWN WHICH WOULD ALSO COINCIDE WITH THE ELECTION, THE CLERK WOULD ARRANGE FOR THE POSITION TO BE ADVERTISED WITH THE RELEVANT AUTHORITIES.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING, TO BE HELD WITHIN 14 DAYS OF THE ELECTION WHICH IS ON 4 MAY.

32 TO CONFIRM THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETINGS

TUESDAY 9 MAY – 7.00 PM – ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – PENTLOW VILLAGE HALL

33 THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.50 PM