



Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 23rd. March 2022 at 7pm in the Village Hall.

Present: Cllr G. Lewsey (Chairman), M. Gibson (Vice-Chairman), R. Millett, MDC Cllr P. Channer and Kevin B. Money (Clerk to Parish Council). There were also 23 members of the public present.

034/2022 Chairman welcome. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

035/2022 Apologies for Absence were received from ECC Cllr W. Stamp, MDC Cllr M. Helm and Cllrs D. Bonich A. Gardner, E. Roberts and C. Thorne

036/2022 Declaration of Interest

To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary, Pecuniary or non-Pecuniary Interest relating to items on the agenda

Cllr M. Gibson declared an interest in any item relating to the village hall

037/2022 Minutes

To confirm and sign the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council Meeting held on 23rd. February 2022. **All Agreed**

038/2022 Chairman's report and any update since last meeting

a) Update on a Police Commissioners consultation meeting

Following a Police Commissioners meeting Cllr G. Lewsey invited Mr. Les Davies to our meeting this evening

b) Update on damage to Sea Wall – EA Temporary works starting ASAP

Following the last storms large holes have been discovered along the Sea wall and footpath. EA have looked at the damage and to undertake a temporary repair. Then to find out the best way forward.

039/2022 Public Participation Session with Respect to items on the agenda

A total maximum time of 15 minutes is allowed

1) Les Davies from Police, Fire Service and Ambulance Service

Les Davies introduced himself. As the Police were not in attendance, he will take any questions from residents back to the appropriate Police Officer who will answer any such questions.

He then took questions from the residents regarding Anti-Social behaviour, Speeding, Threats of violence and vandalism.

The Chairman thanked Les Davies for attending the meeting this evening and taking questions from residents. Les Davies then left the meeting.

2) Antisocial team at Maldon - Gary Dyer

Mr. Gary Dyer did not attend the meeting due to illness

3) A Police Sargent from Essex Police force

An Essex Police Officer did not attend the meeting

A public participation then took place and questions were asked if better football facilities could be looked at. Updating the skatepark. New exercising equipment. Also speeding in the village.

040/2022 Essex County Councillors Report – ECC Cllr Wendy Stamp

To receive a written report from ECC Cllr Wendy Stamp. No report was given

041/2022 District Councillor/s Report – MDC Cllr Penny Channer / MDC Cllr Michael Helm

To receive a written report from MDC Cllr Penny Channer and Cllr Michael Helm

MDC Cllr P. Channer had supplied to SLPC a comprehensive report which was circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting and can also be found at <https://stlawrencepc.co.uk/latest-information>

Signed

G. Lewsey
Gerry Lewsey – Chairman of SLPC

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042/2022 Planning Application/s**PDE/MAL/22/00121** - 514 Moorhen Avenue St Lawrence Essex CM0 7LU

Proposed single storey rear extension which would extend beyond the rear wall of the original house by 8m, maximum height of 3.10m and the maximum height to the eaves of 2.95m

RESOLVED: REFUSE this application because a lack of information supplied to MDC**22/00368/HOUSE** - The Moorings Seaview Parade St Lawrence Essex

Single storey rear extensions, two storey rear extension and first floor additions to the front and rear.

RESOLVED: SUPPORT this application**043/2022 Decision/s made by MDC affecting St. Lawrence**

Councillors noted the planning decision made by MDC affecting St. Lawrence

WTPO/MAL/21/01297 - Rear of Waters Edge Seaview Parade St Lawrence Essex

TPO 13/90 T5 Oak - Fell and treat stump. **APPROVE** subject to conditions

044/2022 Appeal/s made affecting St. Lawrence. No appeals have been lodged

MDC Cllr P. Channer left the meeting

045/2022 Representative Reports**a) Greening of the village** – To receive a written report from Cllr C. Thorne

Update on the planting of the tree near the Diddydots garden fence that Cllr G. Lewsey has obtained and SLPC to authorise the purchase a plaque from RBL at a maximum cost of £150.00p.

I am writing this on a glorious sunny spring day, The Daffodils that we planted by the village Sign and in jubilee Field are Bright and Buzzy. And the Dinghy Planter is looking even better than it did last week. The planted saplings in the Jubilee Field are nearly all showing signs of life and the Cheery tree has glorious blossom on it. Now that the weather is definitely improving, we can get on with the re planting of some of the saplings that have not survived, with the potted-on ones that have been grown on by the pupils and staff of Diddydots and our team members. We have not received any contact from anyone that would look after a planter down by the lookout, so for the moment this is on the back burner so to speak. Finally, regarding the letter from Ruth regarding a possible sitting of a bench at the entrance to Anchorage View, I think that I have covered this in my separate email comments. It is a good idea but I think not really workable.

b) Recreation Ground – To receive a written update report

- **Update on damaged dog bin in recreation ground**

The dog bin in the recreation ground / car park has been reinstated. The Parish Council has also agreed to purchase 2 further dog bins. One to be installed by the Dairy and other by the sea wall in seaway.

When the football academy starts on the 19th. April the Parish Council will be asking dog walkers to keep their dogs on leads and walk round the edge of the field while the football sessions are going on.

c) Passenger Transport report – To receive a written report from Cllr E. Roberts

No report was given

d) Update on Parish Newsletter – To receive a written report from Cllr E. Roberts

To arrange an editorial item regarding advertising events in the village for the Queen's Jubilee

To confirm delivery of newsletters

Newsletter has been distributed, but no update information was available

e) Queen's Platinum event on 2nd. – 5th. June 2022 – To co-ordinate with other events being held in St. Lawrence over the weekend. Beacon to be lit on Thursday 2nd. June at 9.15pm together with a BBQ at the Church. Councillors noted events being undertaken in the village

046/2022 Finance**a.** To receive the Bank reconciliations as at 28th. February 2022

Councillors noted the Bank reconciliations as at 28th. February 2022

b. To receive the comparison of Actual to Budgeted for 2021/22

Councillors noted the comparison of Actual to Budgeted for 2021/22

c. To approve the payment of Accounts for March 2022 and to agree a transfer of funds to meet the Parish Council's financial requirements

Cllr G. Lewsey proposed and Cllr M. Gibson seconded. **All Agreed**

Signed

G. Lewsey
Gerry Lewsey – Chairman of SLPC

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d. To approve and sign the UTB application form to add Cllr Alan Gardner as a SLPC signatory Cllr G. Lewsey proposed and Cllr M. Gibson seconded to add Cllr A. Gardner as a SLPC Internet Banking signatory. Cllr A. Gardner (to sign the document before the meeting), Cllr G. Lewsey and Cllr M. Gibson then signed the change of signatory form from Unity Trust Bank.

047/2022 To receive written report from External meetings attended by Councillors

No external meetings have been attended

048/2022 Councillors to list any defective streetlights with location/s in the village

No street defective lights have been reported

Items for Next Agenda

Next meeting will be held in the VILLAGE HALL on WEDNESDAY 27.04.22 at 7pm

Meeting dates for 2022: 25.05.22 Annual Village meeting followed by PC AGM: 22.06.22: 27.07.22:

No meeting in August: 28.09.22: 26.10.22: 23.11.22: 14.12.22:

049/2022 Exclusion of the Public and Press

Councillors to Resolve that by virtue of the provisions of Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public be excluded during discussion of the following business on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

050/2022 Staffing Matters

To receive an update from the Parish Clerk. Councillors to pass any resolutions as necessary. Cllr M. Gibson proposed and Cllr G. Lewsey seconded to the increase in the Clerks salary from 1st. April 2022 in line with NALC recommendations. **All Agreed**
Cllr M. Gibson proposed and Cllr G. Lewsey seconded to backdate the pay increase to April 2021 in the Clerks salary from 1st. April 2022 in line with NALC recommendations. **All Agreed**

051/2022 Closure of the Meeting

To close the Meeting having considered and determined all items of business.

The Chairman then closed the meeting at 8.45pm and thanked everyone for attending.