



Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 28th. February 2024 at 7pm in the Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs M. Gibson (Chairman), R. Millett, G. Minish, J. Pollock and Kevin B. Money (Clerk to Parish Council). There were 11 members of the public present

020/2024 Chairmans welcome. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

021/2024 Apologies for Absence were received from ECC Cllr W. Stamp, MDC Cllr L. Haywood, Cllr C. Crump, Cllr A. Gardner and Cllr C. Thorne

022/2024 Declaration of Interest

To declare any Pecuniary, Registerable or non-Registerable Interest relating to items on the agenda Cllr M. Gibson declared an interest in item 029/2024 (Stone Sailing Club), Cllr R. Millett declared an interest in item 029/2024 (Stone Sailing Club)

023/2024 Minutes

To confirm and sign the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 24th. January 2024. **All Agreed**

024/2024 Chairmans report and any update since last meeting

The main item to note is that the new basketball goal is being installed this week. The frame is in now and the net will be put up on Friday. Much of the funding for this is coming from the ECC Locality Funding – thanks to our County Councillor, Wendy Stamp.

We now need to turn our attention to other play equipment replacement / improvement.

A sunken fishing boat has been reported to the river Bailiff.

It appears that youth football will be starting up again very soon.

025/2024 Essex County Councillor Report – ECC Cllr Wendy Stamp

Cllr W. Stamp has supplied information throughout the month that has been forwarded onto Councillors and placed on the website

026/2024 District Councillor/s Report – Cllr Linda Haywood. No report was given

027/2024 Public Participation Session with Respect to items on the agenda

A total maximum time of 15 minutes is allowed for all public participation sessions

a) Blackwater Soccer & Youth Football

Some years ago, the youth football club is starting up again on a Wednesday evening. He is also looking at having a regular football team playing on the recreation ground. The Parish councils hopes that this venture will be well supported.

b) Quotation for maintenance to the defibrillator cabinet at the sailing club

Defibrillator cabinets need repair. Quote of £112 to get the electrics and cabinet.

No questions were asked

028/2024 Representative Reports

a) **Greening of the village** – To receive a report from Cllr C. Thorne. No report was given

b) **Asset Management report** – To receive a report from Cllr C. Thorne. No report was given

c) **Dengie Hundred Group of Parish Councils** – update from Cllr G. Minish

The next DHGPC is scheduled for 6th March 2024. The meeting will start at 7pm at Althorne Parish Hall Summer Hill Althorne CM3 6BY.

d) **Update on seeking a paid Litter picking person/s for the village.** No update on the vacant Position

Signed

M. Gibson

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e) Funding for play equipment – ECC Locality Funding approved £1000 for part payment of a new Basketball goal – Update from the Clerk. A further £374.31p totalling £1374.31p from ECC

029/2024 Planning Application/s

23/01224/PADOT - Stone Sailing Club Tinnocks Lane St Lawrence Southminster

Prior notification for the installation of solar panels and 10KVA inverter with 22 panels on one pitched roof. **RESOLVED:** No objections to this application

23/01194/HOUSE - Beverley 28 Main Road St Lawrence Southminster

S73A application for the erection of wooden fencing and gravel boards following removal of hedges.

RESOLVED: Refuse this Retrospective planning application due to the fence erected along the site frontage, by reason of its location, height, extent and design, is an incongruous and overbearing feature within the street scene to the detriment of the character and appearance of the site and the surrounding area, contrary to policies D1 and H4 of the approved Local Development Plan and the National Planning Policy Framework.

030/2024 Planning decision/s made by MDC affecting St. Lawrence

FUL/MAL/23/01139 - Land Adjacent To Peacehaven Moorhen Avenue St Lawrence Essex

Retention of boundary fence and gate. **REFUSE** for the following reason:-

The fence erected along the site frontage, by reason of its location, height, extent and design, is an incongruous and overbearing feature within the street scene to the detriment of the character and appearance of the site and the surrounding area, contrary to policies D1 and H4 of the approved Local Development Plan and the National Planning Policy Framework

031/2024 Planning Appeal/s made affecting St. Lawrence

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

Waterside Country Park Limited Waterside Holiday Park Main Road St Lawrence

Claim for lawful development certificate for a proposed use of land for the stationing of static caravans for the purpose of human habitation throughout the year.

Application Ref: 21/00637/LDP PP-09934064: Appeal Ref: APP/X1545/X/22/3298784

032/2024 Finance

- a. To receive the Bank reconciliations as at 31st. January 2024
Councillors noted the Bank reconciliations as at 31st. January 2024
- b. To receive the comparison of Actual to Budgeted for 2023/24
Councillors noted the comparison of Actual to Budgeted for 2023/24
- c. To approve the payment of Accounts for February 2024 and to agree a transfer of funds to meet the Parish Council financial requirements. **All Agreed**

033/2024 Councillors to list any defective streetlights with location/s in the village

No defective streetlights have been reported to the Clerk

CCTV floodlight is facing towards the road and requires adjusting.

034/2024 Items for Next Agenda

035/2024 Next meeting will be held on 27th. March 2024 at 7pm in the village hall

036/2024 Councillors to note meeting dates in 2024

24.04.24: 22.05.24 (AVM & AGM): 26.06.24: 24.07.24: 25.09.24: 23.10.24: 27.11.24: 18.12.24

037/2024 Closure of the Meeting

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

The Chairman then closed the meeting at 7.30pm and thanked everyone for attending.

Signed

M Gibson

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