



Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 24th. April 2024 at 7pm in the Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs M. Gibson (Chairman), A. Gardner, G. Minish, J. Pollock and Kevin B. Money (Clerk to Parish Council). There were 8 members of the public present

055/2024 Chairmans welcome. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

056/2024 Apologies for Absence were received from MDC Cllr L. Haywood, Cllr R. Millett and Cllr C. Thorne

057/2024 Declaration of Interest

To declare any Pecuniary, Registerable or non-Registerable Interest relating to items on the agenda
None Declared

058/2024 Minutes

To confirm and sign the Minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on 27th. March 2024.
Cllr A. Gardner asked for an insertion into item 044/2024 to read that MDC Cllr L. Haywood would follow up on a planning problem at Peacehaven Moorhen Avenue. **All Agreed**

059/2024 Chairmans report and any update since last meeting

I have had confirmation that SEPP are waiting for funding to be approved for the signs and lines and this will be scheduled in during the summer, but they are unable to give a specific date or timescale.

As the new financial year gets underway, we are starting to prioritise projects to ensure that they are completed. We are looking at new play equipment in the playground for toddlers. The CCTV system could do with an upgrade and there are a number of repair jobs that need to be done. We have another potential contractor for these jobs and Chris is following up on this.

Gilly Terkelsen is planning a Big Green Project week for the end of July – details will be coming out shortly.

060/2024 Essex County Councillor's Report – ECC Cllr Wendy Stamp. No report was given

061/2024 District Councillor's Report – Cllr Linda Haywood. No report was given

062/2024 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 resident spoke about cars and bikers speeding along Main Road to Bradwell on Sea with photographers taking and selling pictures. Cllr M. Gibson to liaise with Essex local Police officers.

Any update on the numerous pot holes in the village. The residents were asked to report them to Essex Highways.

063/2024 Representative Reports

a) Greening of the village – Any Updated information since last meeting. No report was given

b) Asset Management report – Any Updated information since last meeting

Cllr C. Thorne supplied a brief report prior to the meeting. It read:

Most of the areas are in a reasonable condition, but the following will require attention in the near future.

Main Gate to Jubilee Field: This is showing signs of wear and may require replacing. If this is decided upon, could we please have an onsite discussion as to the best way forward. Would it be better to have a metal gate and posts? Could it be re-sited? best way for pedestrian access etc. R Garwood says that he needs a minimum width of 3.0m for his equipment to pass through. We would also need to take Emergency service access in to account as well.

Toddler Multiplay Equipment: Several months back we received a second quotation from Playquip Ltd for this item which was emailed to all parties, for discussion. I have pencilled in a site visit with them, which all councillors can attend for Tuesday the 30th. of April at 2pm to discuss the suitability of their

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suggested equipment. We need to progress this as a matter of some urgency as the existing item may fail the next Inspection.

River Lookout Shelter: As we know this requires repainting. I have been given the contact details of a second interested parties (I E Wells Builders) who apparently did the original work some 10 years ago. I will be meeting with him next week for discussion on site.

Steps to Ping Pong Table: I have been chasing this up for some time with Andy Lipscombe, but as we know the Weather has been a real problem, especially for cement and engineering brickwork. We will carry on chasing and look for another contractor as well (I have Andy Lipscombe's agreement on this)

c) Dengie Hundred Group of Parish Councils – Cllr G. Minish. Nothing to report

d) Update on seeking a paid Litter picking person/s for the village. Kim Black has returned to the village and is happy to continue with the litter picking duties. Cllr M. Gibson proposed and Cllr A. Gardner seconded to ask Kim Black to start again. **All Agreed.** The Clerk was asked to liaise with Kim

e) CCTV update - Cllr J. Pollock

HDD Security have supplied a quotation of £2869.00p +VAT to use a Cherry picker, replacement of 4 cameras with additional work on the pole to change dawn to dusk sensor and add a motion sensor to existing light. A new HD NVR8. Cllr M. Gibson proposed and Cllr A. Gardner seconded to accept the quotation. **All Agreed**

064/2024 Planning Application/s No applications have been submitted to MDC

065/2024 Planning decision/s made by MDC affecting St. Lawrence

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

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

REFUSE

PADOT/MAL/23/01224 - 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. **REFUSE**

066/2024 Finance

a. To receive the Bank reconciliations as at 31st. March 2024

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b. To receive the comparison of Actual to Budgeted for 2024/25

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c. To approve the payment of Accounts for April 2024 and to agree a transfer of funds to meet the Parish Council financial requirements. **All Agreed**

067/2024 2023/2024 Annual Return

1) To Receive the Internal Auditors report for 2023/2024

Councillors received the Internal Auditors report for 2023/2024

2) To Receive and, if agreed, sign Section 1 - Annual Governance Statement of AGAR 2023/2024

Cllr M. Gibson proposed accepting Section 1 - Annual Governance Statement of AGAR 2023/2024.

Cllr G. Minish seconded. **All Agreed.** The Chairman and Clerk then signed the form

3) To Receive and, if agreed, sign Section 2 - Accounting Statement of AGAR 2023/2024

Cllr M. Gibson proposed accepting Section 2 - Accounting Statement of AGAR 2023/2024. Cllr J. Pollock seconded. **All Agreed.** The Chairman and RFO then signed the form

068/2024 Councillors to list any defective streetlights with location/s in the village

No defects have been reported

069/2024 Items for Next Agenda

070/2024 Next meeting will be held on 22nd. May 2024 at 7pm in the village hall which is the Annual Village meeting followed by the SLPC AGM

071/2024 Councillors to note meeting dates in 2024

26.06.24: 24.07.24: 25.09.24: 23.10.24: 27.11.24: 18.12.24

072/2024 Closure of the Meeting

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

The Chairman then closed the meeting at 7.40pm and thanked everyone for attending.

Signed

M Gibson

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M. Gibson – Chairman of SLPC