

Woodham Mortimer and Hazeleigh Parish Council

ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES – TUESDAY 11 JULY 2023

Convened at Woodham Mortimer & Hazeleigh Village Hall at 7:30pm

In attendance: Parish Cllrs: Simon Brady (SB Presiding), Kim McDonald (KM), Pauline McDonald (PM), Richard Britton (RB), Stephen Pemberton (SP). County Cllr Jane Flemming (JF).
One member of public (to be co-opted as a Parish Councillor)
Andrew Ritchings Clerk to the Council recording proceedings

88.23 APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE

Parish Councillor Graham Harle sent apologies for attendance due to family holiday.
District Cllr Simon Morgan sent apologies for not being able to attend. District Cllr Mark Durham unable to attend due to District Planning meeting.

89.23 CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLOR TO REPRESENT WOODHAM MORTIMER

As proposed by PM seconded by RB and agreed by all Cllrs present Parishioner Lorain Cobb was co-opted onto the Council representing the parish of Woodham Mortimer. Cllr Cobb duly accepted the co-option and completed the declaration of office acceptance.

90.23 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

RB declared a pecuniary registrable interest in planning item Barn at Old Mill House being the applicant and landowner of the application. SB declared a pecuniary interest of land over which part of Footpath 15 Woodham Mortimer aligns.

91.23 PUBLIC FORUM

No matters were raised.

92.23 PREVIOUS MINUTES

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting 13 June 2023 were approved as a true record of events as proposed by SP and seconded by KM.

93.23 PLANNING

22/01256/RESM - LAND SOUTH OF WYCKE HILL AND LIMEBROOK WAY MALDON –

Reserved matters application for the approval of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale of Phase 3 of the Western Parcel (comprising 78 residential dwellings (Use Class C3), new public open space and car parking) of approved planning application 22/00393/VARM (Variation of condition 35 (details of employment land) on approved planning permission 20/00074/FUL (Variation of condition 10 (speed review strategy) and 20 (pedestrian/cycle crossing of Limebrook Way) on approved application 19/01134/FUL (Removal of condition 11 (details of 'Access Link Strategy') on approved planning application FUL/MAL/18/00071 (Variation of conditions 5,13,21,25,43,53,55,61,63,67, 68,69,74,81,84 on approved application OUT/MAL/14/01103 (Outline application for up to 1000 dwellings, an employment area of 3.4 hectares (Use Classes B1, B2 and B8 uses), a local centre (Use Classes A1-A5, B1a, C2, C3, D1 and D2 uses), a primary school, two early years and childcare facilities, general amenity areas and formal open space including allotments, sports playing fields, landscaping, sustainable drainage measures including landscaped storage basins and SuDs features, vehicle accesses onto the existing highway network and associated infrastructure.)) **APPROVED**

22/00344 – LAND ON SOUTH SIDE MALDON ROAD WOODHAM MORTIMER – *Change of use of land for 2 Gypsy/Traveller pitches comprising the siting of 1 mobile home, 1 touring*

caravan per pitch, alongside the formation of per meable hardstanding. APPEAL NO. APP/X1545/W/22/33080465. Appeal hearing was heard at MDC offices on 21/06/2023 **TO BE DETERMINED BY THE PLANNING INSPECTORATE**

23/00190/RESM- LAND SOUTH OF WYCKE HILL AND LIMEBROOK WAY MALDON ESSEX

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23/00292/FUL – BARN AT OLD MILL HOUSE VINEYARD WOODHAM MORTIMER – Convert agricultural barn into vineyard manager's dwellinghouse with associated interna and external alterations, laying out of amenity area and planting of native hedgerows and trees. **REFUSED**

94.23 COUNTY/DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS

JF advised there had been discussions about various bus routes and she is keen to set up a group as a voice for Maldon services, SB offered to attend the meetings which was agreed by all. The next LHP meeting is scheduled for mid-July when the representatives will discuss where current funds will be spent.

95.23 SOLAR FARM COMMUNITY BENEFIT PAYMENTS

Cllrs reviewed the legal community benefit document and will seek clarification of some items with the energy developer.

RB's draft application form will be reviewed by Cllrs for the September meeting.

96.23 LOCALITY FUND

There were no further funds requested other than that previously submitted to JF by SB, that being; waste litter bins, litter pickers, gloves, Hi-Viz jackets.

97.23 HIGHWAY MATTERS

A414 Pedestrian Crossing – measures to aid crossing the hazardous A414 Maldon Road. Scheduled for early 2023 feasibility study. JF advised this will be discussed at the next LHP meeting in July.

Footway Defect A414 – Foliage/soil restricting width of footway/pavement between Runsell Green Danbury and Woodham Mortimer Church. (First logged by Essex Highways at site meeting with SB 14/09/2018. Logged again by AR as a defect on 06/12/2022 Ref: 2808413). Added to LHP list and Footway Clearance Scheme by County Cllr Flemming - June 2023. JF advised this will be discussed at the next LHP meeting in July.

Lodge Road – (adjacent to Old Mill House) (enquiry Nos. 2525149 logged 15/07/2017) and 2705814 logged 01/03/2021) rotten verge reflector posts. JF to progress.

Lodge Road (junction with A414 Maldon Road) – earth deposits on verge (ref No. 2710764 logged 29/03/2021). No activity.

Footpath 11 Hazeleigh – width restriction, loss of wildlife habitat. – SB & KM to attend a meeting with the Highway Authority to discuss obstruction issues.

98.23 BUS SHELTERS – MAINTENANCE

The Highway Authority advised contractor quotation for works to remove graffiti and foliage clearance from the two bus shelters is too prohibitive from Parish Council budgets (£1,400). Cllrs resolved to obtain further quotes to initially clear the foliage overgrowth only. SP suggested graffiti may be able to be claimed from insurance company, AR to contact current provider for advice.

99.23 FINANCIAL MATTERS

Balance of Accounts:

Unity Trust T1 Current Account	£546.93
Unity Trust Instant Access Savings Account	£7,369.14
Total funds on deposit	£7,916.07

Authorisation of payments:

Printer	£129.99
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Following the approval by Cllrs at the April 2023 meeting when AR advised the current printer had developed a fault and Cllrs agreed to procure a new device, AR advised he has sourced a similar standard replacement, cost as noted above.

The above mentioned balance of accounts and authorisation of payment as proposed by KM and seconded by RB were agreed by all Cllrs present.

100.23 INFORMATION ONLY

Date of next scheduled Ordinary Meeting 12/09/2023

..... *Simon Brady*..... (Chairman of the Council) 15/08/2023