MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT PLOUGH CORNER ON TUESDAY, 2nd April 2024 AT 7.30 PM

PRESENT:

Chairperson: J Cutting

Councillors: D Botterell, M Balbirnie, P Balbirnie, J Taylor, J Jeffries, A Mitchell, L Gray, C

Amor, G Duffett

District Councillor:

Essex County Councillor: Dan Land

3 members of the public were in attendance.

04/2024 - 01 | Welcome from the Chairman

The Chairman welcomed everyone.

Ex Councillors, Malcolm Joyce and Robbie Smith had sadly passed away.

04/2024 - 02 | Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Bray, Hull, Steele.

04/2024 - 03 | Declarations of Interest

To declare the existence and nature of any 'personal' or 'personal and prejudicial' interest relating to the items on the agenda having regard to paragraphs 8 to 12 (inclusive) of the Code of Conduct for Members.

None were declared.

04/2024 - 04 | Public Forum - Questions from Members of the Public

There were no comments.

04/2024 – 05 | To agree the minutes of the council meeting held 4th March 2024 **Resolved**: The minutes be accepted as a true record. Proposed by Cllr D Botterell, seconded Cllr Amor - all in favour.

04/2024 - 06 | Clerk's Report / Correspondence

The clerk gave a verbal update on local matters including lighting, roadworks and other matters of interest.

04/2024 - 07 | Chairman's Report

The Chairman gave an update on the following matters concerning the village: He noted that updates would be provided during the meeting.

04/2024 - 08 | Crime and Prevention

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Cllr Hull sent her usual report. Incidents in Elm Road were noted over the month.

04/2024 – 09 | Working Party / Committee Reports

Maintenance and Services

Cllr Mitchell updated:

bulbs are performing well

Planters are a possibility and other options are being considered.

Footpaths

Cllr Jeffries reported that things are ok, wet conditions.

Streetlights

The Clerk noted that there were no lights of concern.

Planning

To consider the planning applications received from Tendring District Council Councillor. Cllr Taylor read out a report and recommendations.

24/00376/VOC - Old Chicken Farm Thorpe Road CO16 9RZ

Application under Section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act for Variation of Conditions 1 (Approved plans) and 5 (Soft landscaping) of application 22/02123/VOC to enable changes to the pumping station design and position, as well as alterations to the visitors parking area.

Recommend Approval

24/00334/FULHH - 295 Harwich Road CO16 9PZ

Householder Planning Application - 1.5 storey side extension and part second floor rear extension to form additional living space.

Recommend Approval

24/00200/LBC - Reedlands Cottage Holland Road CO16 9RX

Application for Listed Building Consent - Amendment to approved consent 22/01902/LBC - Alterations to garden room, and roof pitch and line. Removal of cement render and expanded metal lath (eml), and replacement with weatherboarding to house, and lime render to front range. Repairs to existing historic windows, with Slimlite double glazing. Replacement of modern windows and doors with traditional styles, and Slimlite double glazing.

Recommend Approval

24/00094/FULHH - 26 Holland Road CO16 9RS

Erection of large front shed dormer (following removal of existing dormer window) and single storey side extension.

Recommend Refusal

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Resolved: the month's applications were reported with the planning groups recommendations. Proposed Cllr Mitchell, Seconded Cllr Duffett – all in favour.

Business Group

A discussion took place prior to the meeting. Three quotes have been received in relation to the installation of the solar on PC property. Company 1, at this point, is put forward as the recommended installer.

Resolved: that Company 1 are nominated as the approved provider on the pretence that they are asked to investigate funding opportunities. Proposed Cllr Jeffries, Seconded Cllr Amor - all in favour.

04/2024 - 10 | TDALC

Cllr Botterell noted the topics discussed were the Quarries. It does not affect us. There was a crime report submitted.

04/2024-11 | Committee Reports

Little Clacton Playing Field Trust

Nothing to report.

Village Hall

Cllr P Balbirnie noted that he had been undertaking a review of the historic paperwork of the VH.

Millennium Green

Cllr Taylor noted that things were looking great and the grass cutting is beautiful. A gap in the fencing has been repaired and a note to the public that it is not a 'private facility for dogs' has been given. The AGM will be advertised in the coming weeks. Cllr amor asked about a camera being installed to monitor things mentioned this evening.

04/2024 - 12 | District Councillor Report

Cllr Bray sent his apologies.

04/2024 - 13 | Essex County Councillor Report

Cllr Land noted nothing to report.

04/2024 – 14 | Finance and Cheque Authorisation

To receive monthly payments.

RESOLVED: that the month's cheques be signed. Proposed by Cllr JS Daye Seconded, Cllr Mitchell – all in favour.

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04/2024 - 15 | Items for future consideration

Potential purchase of a new camera PC have our own standard Skip on Harwich Road Aggressive dogs on Plough Fields

Meeting Closed 8:50pm

The next meeting will be held on Monday 6th May 2024

Signed Chairman