

Present: Cllrs Barwick, Brown, Henderson

In the Chair: Cllr Smith

Clerk: Michelle Curtis

Also present: County Councillor Durham
District Councillor Thompson (8.17 pm)
1 Member of the Public

1. Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Meeting.

2. Apologies for Absence

There were apologies for absence from Cllrs Dorman, Munson and Scott.

3. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Barwick declared an interest as follows:

- Personal in respect of agenda item 8, Planning Application HOUSE/MAL/20/00745, as she lives opposite the proposal.

4. County Councillor and District Councillors

County Councillor Durham reported that in the Leaders Budget, Members were allocated £10k for a Locality Fund and he can donate the money and would like to do this by the end of the year. Applications for the fund should be submitted by the end of September. The fund is open to Parish Councils and other non-profit organisations.

Cllr Durham reported that there is a Local Government Reform. There is no detail at the moment and it is expected that the Whitepaper will be published in October. It is expected that County and District Councils will disappear and will be replaced by Unitary Councils (possibly in 2023).

Cllr Durham reported that there is another round of the pothole scheme. Parish Councils can nominate their worst potholes to be considered for repair by Essex County Council. Any requests will be dealt with on a first-come, first-served basis.

Action: Cllr Henderson to feedback any nominations to the Clerk.

5. Public Forum

A member of the public was present but was experiencing difficulty with their audio on Zoom. The Clerk read a statement prepared by the resident expressing their concerns regarding the Planning Application at 13 Church Street and the residents suggested that the Parish Council object to the proposal.

6. Minutes

Minutes 28th July 2020

Resolved: that the Minutes of the Virtual Parish Council Meeting held on 28th July 2020 be approved as a true record of the Meeting. Unanimously agreed.

The Chairman to sign the Minutes as soon as possible.

7. Finance

7.1 Monthly Financial Report

The Financial Reports were presented to the Council.

Councillors received the following monthly Financial Reports as at 31st July 2020:

Bank Reconciliation – a Closing balance of £42,760.80

Expenditure to date – Budget £25,340 – Actual £4,499

Income to date (including Precept (£21,515) £24,315 – Actual £21,861

Earmarked Funds – Closing Balance - £11,252.55

The Chairman to sign the Reports as soon as possible.

7.2 Payments

Items for payment totalling £1,265.52 were presented for approval.

Resolved: to approve payments. Unanimously agreed.

8. Planning

Planning Applications and Decisions

– Planning Applications:

To consider Planning Applications received from Maldon District Council including the following:

Application No: HOUSE/MAL/20/00745 PP-08923768

Proposal: Two storey and single storey rear extension, first floor addition over existing attached garage, and addition of open timber front porch.

Location: Casuarina 58 Tollesbury Road Tolleshunt D'Arcy

Resolved: to recommend approval of this Application. Unanimously agreed.

Application No: HOUSE/MAL/20/00788 PP-08951755

Proposal: Single storey side and rear extension

Location: 25 Chapel Road Tolleshunt D'Arcy

Resolved: to recommend approval of this Application. Unanimously agreed.

Application No: FUL/MAL/ 20/00680 PP-08868226

Proposal: Retrospective change of use of land to residential garden and construction of timber fence

Location: 13 Church Street Tolleshunt D'Arcy

Resolved: Unanimously agreed to strongly object to the Planning Application.

The resident left the meeting (8.06 pm).

– Appeals: None received

– Planning Decisions:

TCA/MAL/20/00656– 37 Chapel Road – **Approved**

FUL/MAL/20/00548 - Rear Of 35 Church Street – **Approved**

FUL/MAL/20/00157 - Land East Of Bradwell Power Station Downhall Beach Bradwell-On-Sea - **Refused**

- **Planning Appeals Decisions:** None received

9. Training

The Chairman reported that due to the Covid-19 situation, the Routine Play Inspectors Training had been cancelled. However, the examination will take place and he had booked a place for the examination.

10. COVID-19 – Update

The Chairman reported that it has been brought to his attention that three residents in the village had set-up a mask tree. They are making face masks and any funds raised will go towards the Village Hall project.

11. Parking – Chapel Road

A resident had emailed expressing concern regarding the parking issues in Chapel Road.

Since the letter had been received, some residents parking behaviours had improved which has helped improve the situation.

It was agreed to include on the next agenda when Cllr Scott was present at the meeting.

12. Tree next to the Parish Council Noticeboard

Resolved: to accept the quotation from Bonz for £160.00 to carry out works to the Ash Tree near to the noticeboard and request that Bonz submits the planning application to Maldon District Council as the tree is in the conservation area.

The Chairman reported that the shop owner had offered to take over the maintenance of the area around the noticeboard. The shop owner advised that they have Public Liability Insurance.

The Chairman advised that the shop owner had been asked to check that their Public Liability Insurance would cover the maintenance works.

13. Administration

The Clerk confirmed that the application to the Essex County Council Community Initiatives Fund for a Community defibrillator had been submitted. The Clerk expressed thanks to Cllr Durham for emailing the EALC to support the Parish Councils Funding Application.

Cllr Thompson arrived at the meeting (8.17 pm).

14. Representative Reports

14.1 Burial Ground

14.1.1 Update from Cllrs Brown and Henderson

There were no issues to report.

14.2 Recreation Ground

14.2.1 Update from Cllr Brown

There were no issues to report.

The Chairman reported that there had been a couple of complaints regarding the Recreation Ground being used for football but there had also been several positive comments about the Recreation Ground being used.

The Chairman advised that he had inspected the Recreation Ground the following day after the football team had trained and it was immaculate.

The Chairman reported that he had prepared some conditions for the Football Terms.

Action: Clerk to distribute to the football teams.

14.2.2 Repairs to Car Park

The Clerk reported that the quotation was yet to be received. To be deferred to the next meeting.

14.2.3 Rubber Matting

The Clerk reported that Maldon District Council were unable to carry out the works to relay the rubber matting.

Action: Clerk to obtain quotations.

14.3 Highway/Footpaths

14.3.1 Update from Cllr Henderson

There were no issues to report.

14.4 Website / Facebook Updates

14.4.1 Website/Facebook

The Clerk continues to update the website/Facebook.

15. Community Concerns – Information Exchange/Next Agenda Items

There were no issues raised.

16. Date of the Next Meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on:

Tuesday 29th September 2020 – Full Council Meeting – 7.30 pm

The Chairman closed the Meeting at 8.31 pm.

Signed.....

Date:.....