

Those present:

Cllr Smith (Chair)
Cllr Ewing
Cllr Henderson
Cllr Middleton
Cllr Munson
Michelle Curtis (Parish Clerk/RFO)
District Councillor Thompson
Steve Howard and Vanessa Reeve – Parish Working Group
4 Members of the Public

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Denney and Evans.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest disclosed.

3. County and District Councillors

Cllr Thompson reported:

- There is a new Chief Executive at Maldon District Council.

4. Public Forum

A resident reiterated the points raised in her email opposing the planning application at Oxley Cottage 1 Oxley Hill.

A member of the public, who was the builder for the planning application at Oxley Cottage 1 Oxley Hill, disputed the resident's claims.

It was agreed to move to agenda item 7.1 next.

7. Planning Applications

7.1 Application No: 24/00755/HOUSE PP-13388859

Proposal: S73A application for alterations to detached garage previously approved under 16/00002/HOUSE including, raising the ridge height, altered roof pitch, changes to fenestration and external materials.

Location: Oxley Cottage 1 Oxley Hill Tolleshunt D'Arcy

Resolved: Unanimously agreed not to comment on this application.

Two members of the public left the meeting.

5. Parish Working Group (PWG)

Vanessa reported:

- The grass at the amenity land in Festival Gardens has been cut.
- The overgrown hedge and brambles on the corner of Beckingham Road have not yet been cut back.

Action: To be monitored.

- It has been a year since Community Speed Watch (CSW) started. There are 15 volunteers in CSW.

In the last year, there have been 302 speeding offences: 62 on Church Street, 7 on North Road and 233 on Tollesbury Road.

Steve reported:

- The owners of the village shop have started repairs to the shopfront.

6. Minutes

Resolved: The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 24th September 2024 be approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting. Unanimously agreed by those who attended.

The Chair signed the Minutes.

7. Planning Applications

7.2 Application No: 24/00759/WTPO

Proposal: (TPO 01/07) T1 D'Arcy Spice Apple - Fell

Location: Maypole House North Street Tolleshunt D'Arcy

Resolved: Unanimously agreed to object to the felling of the tree. Councillors strongly support the tree while it remains viable.

7.3 To consider any other planning applications received from Maldon District Council – None received

8. Planning Decisions

8.1 TCA/MAL/24/00655 - 10 Kelvedon Road – Approved

8.2 TCA/MAL/24/00524 - The Grey House Chapel Road – Approved

8.3 TCA/MAL/24/00632 - The Old Bakery 11 North Street – Approved

9. Planning Appeal

Appeal Ref: APP/X1545/W/24/3351088

Application Ref: 24/00101/FUL PP-12785813

Proposal: Erection of a 2 bedroom chalet bungalow and formation of new vehicular access

Location: Land Adjacent To Rosedean Tudwick Road Tolleshunt D'Arcy Essex

The Council had no further comments on this application.

10. Planning Appeal Decision

Appeal Ref: APP/X1545/W/23/3333449

Application Ref: FUL/MAL/23/00052.

Location: Land adjacent to 13 Church Street, Tolleshunt D'Arcy

Appeal Dismissed

11. Finance

11.1 Monthly Financial Report

Councillors received the Monthly Financial Report as of 30th September 2024.

Bank Reconciliation – a Closing balance of £48,606.31

Expenditure to date – Budget £34,462 – Actual £13,922

Income to date (including Precept (£24,766) £34,462 – Actual £32,242

Earmarked Funds – Closing Balance £20,252.73 – Net Transfers £10,986.15

The Chair and Cllr Ewing signed the Reports.

11.2 Payments

Resolved: Unanimously agreed to approve the payments (Appendix A) totalling £1,587.68.

11.3 Lloyds Corporate Credit Card

Resolved: Unanimously agreed that Cllr Middleton would be the Secondary Programme Administrator for the Lloyds corporate credit card account.

12. Training

There were no requests for training.

13. Police

The Police Reports were received and noted.

14. Community Engagement Officers

The CET Report for September 2024 was received and noted.

It was noted that during the CETs Patrols in September, there were 28 speeding offences. All offences were on Tollesbury Road, with the highest speed recorded at 46mph.

15. Administration

The Clerk reported the following:

- At the previous meeting, the Clerk mentioned that the School PTA had asked whether the Parish Council would consider contributing to some road safety signage. The Clerk advised that she had spoken to Cllr Durham, and the School PTA has now submitted an application to Cllr Durham's Locality Fund.
- There is currently a consultation enabling remote attendance and proxy voting at local council meetings. Responses are invited from councils, individual councillors, members of public and local government representative organisations. The consultation runs until 19th December 2024.
- 20s Plenty – The Clerk reported that she had received an email from the 20's Plenty campaign group, urging Parish Councils to write to group leaders prior to the May 2025 elections encouraging them to support the 20's Plenty campaign.
Action: Council to review their position regarding the 20's plenty campaign. To be included on the agenda at the next meeting for consideration.
- Budget – The Chair and the Clerk will prepare the budget before the next meeting. Councillors should submit any comments by no later than mid-November.

16. Representative Reports

16.1 Burial Ground – Cllr Henderson

Cllr Henderson advised there were no new issues to report.

16.2 Recreation Ground/Pavilion – Cllr Middleton

As Cllr Middleton was not present at the meeting, there was no update.

Cllr Munson said that the overgrowth around the perimeter of the Recreation Ground required cutting back.

Action: Clerk to raise with the Contractor.

16.3 Public Rights of Way – Cllr Henderson

Cllr Henderson advised there were no new issues to report.

16.4 Road Safety/Highways – Cllr Denney

As Cllr Denney was not present at the meeting, there was no update.

16.5 Village Hall Working Group – Cllr Evans

As Cllr Evans was not present at the meeting, there was no update.

It was reported that when entering the building for the Parish Council meeting, the key had been left in the back door making it difficult to enter and painting materials had been left on the chairs.

Action: Clerk to raise with the Village Hall Management Committee.

17. Community Matters

There were no matters raised.

18. Dates of the Next Meeting

Tuesday 26th November 2024 – Full Council Meeting – 7.30 pm

The Chair closed the meeting at 8.32 pm.

TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY PARISH COUNCIL
 PAYMENTS FOR APPROVAL

Appendix A

October 2024

| Date | Cheque No. | Payee | | Expenditure Detail | Amount |
|---|------------|-------------------------|------------------|---|------------------|
| UNITY TRUST BANK - CURRENT ACCOUNT | | | | | |
| 30.09.2024 | D/D | Unity Trust Bank | | Bank Charges - 04/06/24 - 03/09/24 | £18.00 |
| 15.10.2024 | D/D | EE | V02274381299 | Parish Mobile | £22.47 |
| 29.10.2024 | Online | Wages | | Staff Wages | £518.40 |
| | Online | HMRC | | Tax & NI October 2024 | £337.07 |
| | Online | Mr L Aldridge | | Maintenance - Area near village shop | £50.00 |
| | Online | D W Maintance | 2644 | Grounds Maintenance | £240.83 |
| | Online | Maldon District Council | TOL2879153 | Communtiy Engagement Team - Jul - Sept 24 | £305.78 |
| | Online | S Howard | | Grant to CSW - Dictaphone | £29.98 |
| 31.10.2024 | D/D | Unity Trust Bank | | Bank Charges - 04/09/24 - 30/09/24 | £5.40 |
| LLOYDS BANK - MULTIPAY CARD | | | | | |
| 06.09.2024 | D/C | Glasdon | SI894039 | Post for dog bin | £122.83 |
| 17.09.2024 | D/C | TSO Hosts | | Web Security - Credit | -£181.93 |
| 29.09.2024 | D/C | Adobe | IEN2024050904954 | Monthly Subscription | £19.97 |
| 30.09.2024 | D/C | Dropbox | B2P1ZMDRLXKG | Annual Subscription | £95.88 |
| 02.10.2024 | D/C | Lloyds Bank | | Monthly fee | £3.00 |
| TOTAL | | | | | £1,587.68 |

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