

# GREAT TEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held  
at the Village Hall, Great Tey on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2014, at 7.30 pm

Present: Cllr Barron (later), Cllr Bartleet, Cllr Beesley, Cllr Fairs (Chairman), Cllr Hamer (later), Cllr Williamson.  
Clerk Mr D Williams, Borough Cllr Chillingworth and 2 members of public attended.

## 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Cllr Langthorne

## 2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS – None

**3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** - The minutes of the last parish council meeting of 10<sup>th</sup> June 2014 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

## 4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The clerk said that confirmation of the insurance policy renewal had been received from Aon.

## 5. PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCIES

Cllr Fairs said that Colchester Borough Council (CBC) advised that no names have been put forward for an election and that the parish council can co-opt two new members. Cllr Bartleet proposed Marian Hamer, and Cllr Beesley seconded. Cllr Williamson proposed Sarah Barron and Cllr Beesley seconded. There were no further nominations and both new councillors were elected unanimously and joined the parish council.

## PUBLIC QUESTIONS

The meeting was suspended for Public Questions and Statements.

(i) A parishioner said that he attended the recent bus representatives' meeting, and advised of the outcomes from the initial bus consultation. There will now be a consultation on a new draft strategy. Access to the Colchester bus station across the Osborne Street car park was discussed and responsibility for this is not Colchester Borough Council (CBC) but Essex County Council (ECC). He also queried health and safety issues at the bus station. Cllr Fairs asked Borough Cllr Chillingworth to investigate whether CBC or ECC are responsible for the car park and any possible crossing.

(ii) A parishioner said that there is a long wait to obtain a doctor's appointment at Great Tey outreach surgery. Cllr Fairs asked the clerk to write to the surgery and ask if they attend at Great Tey on Tuesday and Friday, what times they are attending and what are the lead times for appointments.

(iii) A parishioner asked Borough Cllr Chillingworth for the position regarding Ward boundaries. He replied that they are being considered by the Electoral Commission.

The meeting was resumed.

## 6. REPORT FROM COLCHESTER BOROUGH COUNCILLOR

Borough Cllr Chillingworth said that the grass verges have now been cut by ECC. He said that the Local Plan has been adopted and now a full review of the Plan is being done. CBC will ask the parish for proposals for development and any proposed amendment of the village envelope.

Borough Cllr Chillingworth left the meeting.

## 7. FINANCIAL MATTERS

(a) The following cheques were approved for payment:-

Chq.No.	Payee	Amount (£)/ of which VAT:-	
101429	I Dyer – handyman	£ 481.94	£ 80.32
101430	I Dyer – grasscutting	£ 211.20	£ 35.20
101431	Rural Community Council of Essex – subscription	£ 66.00	£ 11.00
101432	Campaign to Protect Rural England	£ 31.00	
101433	D Williams- clerk salary £453.00 less PAYE £90.60	£ 362.40	
101434	HM Revenue & Customs - PAYE for clerk salary	£ 90.60	
101435	Gt Tey Village Hall Committee – hall rental	£ 57.00	
	Youth Activity Club Account		
100072	Gt Tey Village Hall Committee – hall rental	£ 42.00	

(b) The resultant balances after all items are paid and received is Community Account Cr £ 14,232.75, Youth Activity Club Account Cr 331.23 and Business Saver Account Cr £ 22.38. The bank statements were signed by the chairman in evidence.

(c) Noting that the handyman invoice includes regular grass cutting of the bank in The Street, the clerk was asked to write to ECC Highways to establish the extent of maintainable highway there to include grass verges.

## 8. PLANNING MATTERS - Applications

145000 Kings Arms, Broad Green - Erection of portacabin to run a small beauty treatment business – no objections subject to neighbours' views.

145060 Trumpingtons Farm, East Gores Road - Installation of 2 x Samsung 9kw air source heat pumps, - ground mounted – No objections.

145061 Trumpingtons Farm, East Gores Road - Installation of 2 x Samsung 9kw air source heat pumps, - ground mounted – No objections.

**9. HAROLD FAIRS RECREATION GROUND**

An estimate of £70 to remove a tree near Lower Langley was agreed, and the clerk was asked to write to the occupant and advise him that the parish council have agreed to remove the tree and poison the roots as a goodwill gesture.

Cllr Williamson said that the deficiencies in the recent ROSPA report on the play equipment were corrected by the recent installation of play equipment, as the report was done before these works were undertaken.

Cllr Williamson said that she has established that the cost of replacing the pigeon deterrents is £ 1,176 for two.

She will ask the manufacturers if these deterrents are installed in a local play area so that we can view them.

Several instances of the tipping of garden waste and hedge clippings have been seen. The clerk was instructed to ask the handyman to clear these. The clerk was instructed to place an article in Round and About asking residents to use the bags for green waste provided by CBC and not to dump their rubbish in our playing field.

Cllr Williamson said that the decoration of the shelter has nearly been finished by the children at the school.

**10. OLD PLAYING FIELD**

Cllr Williamson said that she inspected the Old Playing Field and did not find any garden rubbish tipped there.

**11. ALLOTMENTS**

Cllr Fairs agreed to complete a water inspection questionnaire from Anglian Water.

**12. HIGHWAYS**

The clerk was asked to write to ECC Highways and again advise them that the signpost at the junction of Moor Road and Chappel Road is dangerous and should be removed or repaired immediately.

**13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Cllr Fairs said that the development at Chrysmund Croft, Moor Road had started, and asked the clerk to write to CBC asking for payment of the S 106 monies due to the parish.

There being no further business the parish council meeting was closed at 8.52 pm.

Chairperson.....

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