

Present: Cllrs Crees, Goody, Nixon, O'Donnell, Plater

In the Chair: Cllr S Slodzik

Clerk: Michelle Curtis

1. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence, all Councillors were present.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest disclosed.

3. Public Forum

There were no members of the public present.

4. Minutes of Meeting held on 20th November 2018

Resolved: that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 20th November 2018 be approved as a true record of the Meeting and were signed by the Chairman. Unanimously agreed

5. Inspection Reports

The Inspections Reports dated 04/01/19 were received and noted.

6. Environment and Amenities

a) Allotments

The Clerk reported she had been contacted by a new tenant regarding the request for Public Liability Insurance for the plot, as she was finding it difficult to seek such insurance. The Clerk advised she was in contact with the EALC and other Parishes to find out what type of insurance they request.

b) Hasler Green

No issues to report.

c) Woodrolfe Green

It was reported cars had driven on the grass and it may need rolling.

d) Cemetery

Cllr Nixon advised that the grassed edging along the roadside was not being maintained as it should be.

Action: Clerk to raise with the Contactor.

e) Highways

It had been brought to the attention of the Parish Council that Essex County Council intend to approach all Parishes towards the end of 2019 with proposals to devolve certain services.

Action: Clerk to write to Cllr Kevin Bentley, to advise that the Parish Council oppose to any changes and would not be accepting any proposal to take on the responsibility of certain services which are currently under the remit of Essex County Council.

Action: To monitor closely.

f) Streetlighting

The Clerk reported E.On had increased the electricity prices from 17.900p per kWh to 22.100p per kWh. The Clerk was in the process of obtaining quotations from alternative suppliers.

g) Litter/Dog Bins

Cllr Nixon reported the litter bin which was due to be installed at the corner of Woodrolfe Road/Thurstable Road, could no longer be installed in the proposed position as a new street name plate had been put in its place.

7. Projects

a) CCTV

The Committee discussed CCTV for the village and agreed not to proceed with the project at this stage.

b) Telephone Kiosks

The Chairman agreed to paint the Telephone Kiosks in the Spring.

Action: Once the Kiosks have been painted, to work with the school/community to see what they would like the Kiosks used for.

8. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 21st May 2019 – following the main meeting

The meeting closed at 9.00pm.

Signed.....

Date:.....