

Present: Cllrs Bell, Clare, Goldie, Hawes, Lowther, Rogers

In the Chair: Cllr Plater

Clerk: Michelle Curtis

1. Apologies for Absence

There were apologies for absence from Cllrs Chambers and St Joseph.

There were also apologies from District Councillor Stephens.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest disclosed.

3. Public Forum

There were no members of the public present.

4. County Councillors and District Councillors

There were no County or District Councillors present.

5. Minutes

Resolved: the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11th January 2022 be approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting. Proposed Cllr Lowther, seconded Cllr Clare. Unanimously agreed.

The Chairman signed the Minutes.

6. Planning

6.1 Planning Applications

Application No: FUL/MAL/21/01113 PP-10306444

Proposal: Fenced off horse paddock 60m by 20m

Location: Gorwell Hall Cartlodge Tollesbury Road, Tollesbury

Resolved: Unanimously agreed that due to the lack of information on the following items, Councillors were unable to make a recommendation on this application:

- Unclear information on the size of the proposal
- Impact on the historic building
- Wildlife habitats, including bats

6.2 Planning Decisions from Maldon District Council

FUL/MAL/21/00724 - Carringtons Barn North Road – Refused

HOUSE/MAL/21/01173 – 60 West Street – Refused

OUT/MAL/21/01137 - Land East Of Guisnes Lodge Chapel Road - Refused

6.3 Planning Appeals

Appeal Ref: APP/X1545/D/21/3289704

Application Ref: 21/00828/HOUSE

Site Address: 7 New Road Tollesbury Essex CM9 8QG

Proposal: Two storey side extension. One front dormer roof alteration and one rear dormer roof alteration.

6.4 Planning Appeal Decisions – None received

6.5 Tree Preservation Orders for information – None received

7. Administration

TruCam – The Clerk reported that she had received notification from Maldon District Council that the Community Protection Officers had received instruction from the Head of Roads Policing to suspend their TruCam Patrols. The Chief Constable is currently reviewing the use of TruCam by non-warranted officers.

Planning – 12 Station Road – The Clerk advised that Cllr Stephens had raised a ticket with Maldon District Council, but she has suggested that the Parish Council report their concerns to UK Power Network.

Action: Clerk to report the concerns of the Parish Council to UK Power Network.

Maldon District Council – The Clerk reported Maldon District Council are running a consultation on their Local Development Plan. The Consultation runs from 17th January to 14th March 2022.

Action: Councillors to review the documentation for further discussion at a Parish Council meeting in February 2022.

Financial Introduction to Local Council Administration (FiLCA) – The Clerk reported that she completed and passed FiLCA training.

8. Community Concerns – Information Exchange/Next Agenda Items

Cllr Clare reported the following:

- He had attended the recent Tollesbury Climate Partnership (TCP) Marine Group meeting, and members of the Group raised the subject of funding from the Parish Council for 2022/23. Cllr Clare advised the Group that the Parish Council were very supportive of TCP and has set aside £750 in the 2022/23 budget. The Chairman advised that he was due to have an informal meeting with Phil Manning of TCP, and following the meeting, a letter to TCP would be sent confirming the funding from the Parish Council for 2022/23.
- At the TCP meeting, the Group suggested that having a representative on the Tollesbury Marine Stakeholders Group would be beneficial.
- On Saturday 22nd January 2022, repairs to the vandalised bird hide at Tollesbury Wick will be carried out. Essex Wildlife Trust (EWT) employees and volunteers will carry out the repairs, including some families whose youth were involved in vandalism. EWT would also be happy to attend a Marine Stakeholders meeting.
- The second Youth Consultation evening has been rearranged for Wednesday 26th January 2022 and will take place in the Parish Rooms.

Councillor Rogers reported:

- Years 5 and 6 from Tollesbury School worked with an outside body to discuss road safety around the village. Several parents have suggested that the Parish Council consider applying for East Street to be a 20mph zone.

Action: Cllr Rogers to make contact with the outside body who were running the sessions at the school.

Action: Clerk to make further enquiries.

Councillor Hawes reported:

- It had come to her attention via Facebook that the Tollesbury Scouts had carried out a litter pick in the village.

Action: Clerk to write to the Scouts to thank them for their hard work on behalf of the village.

The Chairman reported:

- He had carried out an initial survey of the war memorial in the Churchyard and is currently preparing a drawing. It appears that it may require more work than initially thought.

Action: To investigate further and see what works in addition to the plaques, if any, may be required.

- Cllrs Bell, Clare, Rogers, the Parish Clerk had met with Frost and Drake to discuss the access rights across the land at Frost and Drake to Woodup Pool.

At the meeting it was agreed:

- The Easement states that the Parish Council has 5-foot wide access across the land at Frost and Drake. Parish Council in the Easement does not refer to the Council but the whole of the Parish.
- There was no intention by the Parish Council to make the access point a public right of way formally.
- Those in attendance were mindful that Frost and Drake was a working boatyard and agreed that the access was demarcated for the safety of all users (general public and workers at the business).
- The Chairman will prepare a new area plan showing the 5ft access. The plan is to be agreed upon and signed by the Parish Council and Frost and Drake.
- Once the area has been demarcated, the Parish Council will arrange for adequate signage to be displayed.
- Quotations to be obtained and considered by the Full Council for surfacing of the access path. The new surface will provide wheelchair access. The surfacing is to take a weight of up to 6 tonnes to ensure there is no damage to the area should Frost and Drake need to drive over it for any reason.
- The Parish Council would contact the portaloos suppliers to see if they can empty the toilets via a hose which could run from the roadside across the access to the toilets rather than needing to drive up onto the access point.
- The Parish Council will try to complete the works by the start of the season (end of May), but this will be subject to obtaining funding for the path.

9. Dates of the Next Meetings

Tuesday 1st February 2022 – Full Council Meeting – 7.30 pm – The Centre

Thursday 3rd February 2022 – Woodrolfe Hard Committee – 7.30 pm – The Pavilion

Tuesday 15th February 2022 – Full Council Meeting – PLANNING ONLY – 7.30 pm – The Centre

Tuesday 15th February 2022 – Woodup Pool Committee Meeting – following the Full Council Meeting – The Centre

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.26 pm.

Signed.....

Date