

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

In the Chair: Cllr Plater

Clerk: Michelle Curtis

Also present: 1 Member of the Public

1. Apologies for Absence

There were apologies for absence from Cllr Chambers.

There were also apologies from District Councillor Stephens.

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr St Joseph declared interests as follows:

- Personal and prejudicial interest in relation to agenda item 6.1, planning application FUL/MAL/22/00084, as the proposal is on land he owns.
- Personal and prejudicial interest in relation to agenda item 6.1, planning application COUPA/MAL/22/01030, as he has a farming relationship with the applicant.

3. Public Forum

There were no comments from the member of the public.

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 1st February 2022 be approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting. Proposed Cllr Clare, seconded Cllr Rogers. Unanimously agreed.

The Chairman signed the Minutes.

6. Planning

6.1 Planning Applications

Amended Drawings

Application No: FUL/MAL/21/00702 PP-09991099

Proposal: Create residential specialist neighbourhood for older people, consisting of 29 affordable dwellings and community hub building, with associated landscaping and infrastructure.

Location: Land North Of 48 Woodrolfe Road Tollesbury

Resolved: Unanimously agreed that the Parish Council's position on this application is unchanged. The Parish Council recommends refusal of this application, and the main concerns are with the strategic and contextual elements of the proposal. In particular, a) sustainability and potential for flooding, b) location and c) integration."

Cllr St Joseph left the meeting (7.50 pm)

Application No: FUL/MAL/22/00084 PP-10574453

Proposal: Removal of 15 metre high pole to be replaced by high orion streetpole which will support 3No. SUA-7 antennas, and ancillary equipment thereto, including 6No. RRHs at a maximum height of 20 metres.

Location: Mell Farm 117 Mell Road Tollesbury

Resolved: to recommend approval of this application but expressed concern that Mell Road is a single track road to a working farm and the highways must not be impeded. Unanimously agreed.

Application No: COUPA/MAL/21/01030 PP-10258500

Proposal: Change of use of agricultural buildings to 2no. dwellinghouses (Class C3), and for building operations reasonably necessary for the conversion.

Location: Land Adjacent To Old Hall Farm Old Hall Lane Tolleshunt D'Arcy

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

- Information incorrect on the description of the application
- No proposed elevation drawings with the planning documents

6.2 Planning Decisions from Maldon District Council

HOUSE/MAL/21/00982 - 20 Hunts Farm Close - Approved

HOUSE/MAL/21/01260 - Whippetree 50 Church Street - Approved

6.3 Planning Appeals - None received

6.4 Planning Appeal Decisions

Appeal Ref: APP/X1545/D/21/3273965

Application No: HOUSE/MAL/20/01314

Location: 33 New Road, Tollesbury

Decision: Appeal Granted

6.5 Tree Preservation Orders for information – None received

7. The Queen's Jubilee Celebrations

The Parish Council agreed to form a Working Party for the various groups in the village to assist with the Queen's Jubilee Celebrations.

Action: Clerk to advertise for volunteers to join the working group.

8. Woodup Pool

The Chairman reported that contact had been made with various companies for toilet hire for the new season. The companies that the Clerk had contacted were unable to pump/clean the hire toilet from the roadside and needed access across the land at Frost and Drake.

Councillors discussed other options, but alternative solutions would be more costly and unlike to be done in time for the 2022 season.

Action: Meeting to be arranged with the Frost and Drake to discuss further.

9. Recreation Ground

Cllr Lowther reported that following a discussion with Tollesbury Juniors, it had been agreed to mark out an additional junior pitch. As no provision had been made in the 2021/22 and 2022/23 budgets for marking extra pitches, Tollesbury Juniors has agreed to cover any additional costs.

In the future, the Recreation Ground Committee would talk with the football club before budgeting to get an indication of their pitch requirements for the following season.

10. Administration

Yellow Lines – The Clerk advised that ECC had reinstated the yellow lines outside the Doctors surgery.

Maldon District Council – The Clerk reported that a public meeting had been organised for Friday 25th February 2022 at 7.00 pm in The Centre for a presentation on the Local Development Plan.

Highways – The Clerk reported that Cllr Stephens had advised her that Cllr Durham had emailed to notify her that ECC will be replacing the kerbstones outside the bakery. Due to the location and narrowness of the road and footway, a road closure is required.

Road Safety – The Clerk reported that an informal meeting had been arranged for Monday 14th March 2022 at 7.00 pm in the Pavilion to discuss road safety.

11. Community Concerns – Information Exchange/Next Agenda Items

Cllr Lowther reported:

- The flagpole on the Pavilion had come down in the high winds.
Action: Cllr Lowther to assess what needs to be done.

Cllr Clare reported:

- The ECC signage at Woodrolfe Hard was down. The Clerk reported this to ECC and raised it with Cllr Durham.

Cllr Rogers reported:

- The Youth Working Group had met the previous week.
Fifteen volunteers have signed up to help with the Hangout. The Youth Group will arrange sessions for the volunteers for training and DBS checking.

Cllr Hawes reported:

- Some youths were riding e-scooters around the village, not paying attention to the roads, which is dangerous for other road users.
Cllr Clare advised residents to report any issues concerning e-scooters to Essex Police via 101.

12. Dates of the Next Meetings

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

Tuesday 8th March 2022 – Finance Committee – 7.30 pm - Pavilion

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

Tuesday 15th March 2022 – Recreation Ground Committee Meeting – The Centre

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.15 pm.

Signed.....

Date