

GREAT SALING PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 8th March 2017

Present Cllr Greenwood (Chairman)

Cllr Martin

Cllr Bennett

Cllr Beckett

DC Banthorpe

1 Member of the Public

Cathryn Carlisle (Clerk)

17/21 Apologies for Absence
There were none

17/22 Minutes of the meeting held on 11th January 2017, were approved and signed as a true record of the meeting. Cllr Bennett did not agree to the minutes and he explained he was the one that had written to ECC Member of Parliament and to 10 Downing Street to get the bus reinstated, The Clerk explained that as he wasn't at the previous meeting and none of the other councillors knew about this the minutes were a true record of that meeting. Cllr Greenwood Thanked Cllr Bennett for his efforts.

17/23 Declarations of interest
Cllr Greenwood non-pecuniary person known to the councillor 17/31 Courtlands

17/24 Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda and other matters that are of mutual interest.
1 crash at Cotmores Cottage again
Fly tip on the Shalford Road **Clerk to report**
Pothole Blake End Road near the bungalow. **Clerk to report**
Potholes on Hyde Lane Clerk to report

The Church and Mark Faulkner are trying to sort out an amical resolution on the access to the church. The Parish Council may need to defend the access from the wicket gate to the church.

Complaint that the Dog Bins haven't been emptied. The Clerk to report

17/25 Clerks Report
The Clerk Reported that after the last meeting in January where a Councillor want to know if we could reapply for the LHP to put in a footpath from Blake End to the Craft Centre. The Clerk has spoken to Matt Valentine about this and was told that the project would cost more than half the Braintree District Budget so the project would not be approved.

- 17/26 Action Group Liaison Officer's Report
The Action Group has got the hedge laid at the rear of the playing field the hedge belongs to Greenfields.
The Action Group are now concentrating on the May Day Celebrations.

- 17/27 Finance
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| 17/27.1 | £104.64 | Clerks Salary | Salary Feb | S/O |
| 17/27.2 | £27.36 | A & J Lighting Solutions | Maintenance | D/D |
| 17/27.3 | £33.93 | E-on D/D | Electricity | D/ d |
| 17/27.4 | £26.43 | Clerks | Expenses | 2009 |
| 17/27.5 | £287.45 | Survey Monkey | Neighbo Plan | |
| 17/27.6 | £26.00 | Survey Monkey | Neighbo Plan | |
| 17/27.7 | £8.00 | Go Daddy | Neighbo Plan | |
| 17/27.8 | £67.68 | Wix.com | Neighbo Plan | |
| 17/27.9 | £450.00 | EALC | training | |
| 17/27.10 | £104.64 | Clerks Salary | Salary | S/O |
| 17/27.11 | £27.36 | A & J Lighting Solutions | Maintenance | D/D |
| 17/27.12 | £33.93 | E-on D/D | Electricity | D/ d |
| 17/27.14 | £70.00 | Salings Parish Hall | Hall Hire | |
- Payments were approved by all members of the Council present. Cllr Bennett checked the invoices at the meeting.

- 17/27.13 Budget Figures and Bank reconciliation
Were approved by all members of the public present.
Cllr Bennett checked the Bank Statement at the Meeting.

- 17.28 District Councillors Report
The DC announce that the Quiet Lane for Woolpits Road has been approved.
DC had been to a meeting for Blue Light Services, The Police are looking for Special Constables who are keen to work in Rural Areas DC to put something in the Parish Mag.
The Brook Green Planning Application has been changed there is an Action Group working against this development.

- 17.29 County Councillors Report
No Report, CC Walters will not be standing as CC in the May Elections on the 4th May 2017.

- 17.30 Traffic Problems/Highways
No report

- 17/31 Planning Applications

15/01538/OUT Planning Application Rayne 2015 revised plan

17/00051/TPO 10 Grove Villas Great Saling

To carry out Tree Work No Objection

17/00206/FUL Erection of single storey rear/side extension, detached double garage and replace flat roof with pitched roof to existing rear extension.

Courtlands Blake End Great Saling Essex No Objection

ESS/19/17/BTE Broadfield Farm Sand and Gravel quarry The Clerk to draft a response.

17/000381/LBC Internal alterations

The Hyde Hyde Lane Great Saling Essex CM7 5EW No Objection

17/31.1 Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Martin reported that they are hoping to get the survey out by the end March 2017, they are hoping that every single person will get involved in the parishes so they can get everyone's feels are felt. They have also sent out maps to all the landowners asking to provide confirmation of who owns what.

The Clerk had forwarded an email from Jan Stobart RCCE, saying that BDC are re-tendering for the NP support Service contract from 1st April 2017. If we have been happy with the service could we provide a couple of sentences of support that they can use in the submission. Cllr Martin to do this.

17/31.2 Braintree Local Plan

Local Plan is out for consultation again in June. The Clerk has received an email for a West of Braintree Workshop on the 29th March in the Town Hall between 4-7 pm. Cllr Greenwood said she would attend.

17/31.4 Uttlesford District Councils Local Plan

No update

17/31.5 Joint Council Committee Meeting Cllr Greenwood to report

There had been no meeting since Dec where a draft letter reiterating our objections to the WOB development was proposed. This letter has since been redrafted following the Kerslake report, also the Government White Paper stating that Brownfield sites should be used first. Cllr Greenwood to forward the letter to Councillors to read.

17/32 Playing Field

17/32.1 Trees on Playing Field and on the Grove

The Action Group has planted trees on the Grove this afternoon within minutes of this happening the Clerk had received a complaint from a resident. The resident said they hadn't been consulted on the trees.

It was agreed that the tree outside the resident's house would be moved over.

The Grove had had some work done due to Health and Safety reasons more work will need to be done but a planning application will be put in nearer the time.

17/32.2 Play Equipment Maintenance update

Community Payback team has done the tightening up of all bolts. The Clerk mentioned that there was training on Playground Inspection at the EALC if anyone was interested, none of the councillors were interested in taking on the training. Cllr Greenwood also said that there is Councillor training days available for all councillors who have not yet taken them, and reminded the Council that these basic Councillor training days were obligatory in accordance with our Standing Orders.

- 17/33 Matters affecting the Village Hall Committee
There is still a matter that the village hall is costing too much to hire. VHMC will reconsider the prices.
- 17/34 Consultations/Publications sent
Work Community Governance Review - Initial Survey
The Parish Council has completed the survey saying that they would like to merge with Bardfield Saling.
- 17/35 Speed Watch
Next Month's Agenda
- 17/36 Change the time of the meetings to 7.30pm
It was agreed to change the meeting time to 7.30 pm
- 17/37 Neighbourhood Watch Clerk to Report
The Clerk reported she had met with the Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator and got lots of information and sign the council agreed to give a donation of £50 for all the goodies signs etc. It was agreed that as Derrick Monk had suggested that the village join the Neighbourhood Watch he would be the ideal person to run it.
- 17/38 Parish Council Vacancy
The Clerk reported she had only received the one application for the vacancy. The Council voted on whether to co-opt the resident the Vote was 1 for, 3 against. The Clerk to write to the applicant explaining that he was unsuccessful, but to ask whether he would be willing to run the Neighbourhood Watch.
- 17/39 Date of the next meeting
12th April 2017

17/40 Matters to be raised by members for the next agenda
Village Sign
Reserved Funds
Footpath from Great Saling through the church yard to connect with footpath 13
and 4

17/41 Meeting Closed at 10.10 pm

Signed.....

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