

The Salings Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 10th February 2021 via Zoom.

Present Cllr Jiggins (Chairman)

Cllr Martin

Cllr Aggiss

Cllr Bennett

Cllr O'Connell

DC Euesden

4 members of the public

Cathryn Carlisle (Clerk)

21/33 Apologies for Absence

Cllr Baugh

CC Butland

21/34 Minutes of the meeting held on 13th January 20 were **approved** as a true record of the meeting Proposed Cllr Jiggins Seconded Cllr Bennett

21/35 Declarations of interest

Cllr Jiggins, Cllr Bennett, Cllr Martin

21/36 Public **participation session** with respect to items on the agenda and other matters that are of mutual interest.

- Potholes getting larger near Saling Hall (Clerk has chased this)
- Village Hall hedge (Planning Application)
- The Glass recycling lorry is still turning in the Village Hall Car Park
- Someone is tying full dog poo bags to Saling Hall gate instead of putting them in the bins provided.

21/37 District Councillors Report

- DC report sent out prior to the meeting.
- DC reported on his conversation with the Secretary of the Village Hall Committee:-
Removal of Ivy from trees.
Sources of funding available for resurfacing the car park
Use of the Section 106 money £3616 towards the £31,000 needed. (Or use it for planters – agenda item next month)
- Waste Bin Contract has been cancelled and the Glass lorry does not need to go into the car park so there will be less heavy useage.

21/38 County Councillors Report

No Report

21/39 **Clerks Report**

The Clerk has received complaints about the mud on the road and vehicles blocking the access road at the Water Tower site. She has the contact details of the builder and contacts him every time there is a complaint. She will find out who the owners are so she can contact them.

The Clerk has received a TPO for Holly Cottage

21/40 **Finance**

21/40.1 £208.80	Staffing Costs	January	Bacs
21/40.2 £27.36	A & J Lighting Solutions	Maintenance	D/D
21/40.3 £48.78	Haven	Electricity	D/D
21/40.4 £24.75	Clerks	Expenses	Bacs
21/40.6 £22.80	K Jiggins	Knitting wool	Bacs.

Payments were **approved** by all members of the council present.

21/40.5 Budget Figures and Bank reconciliation
Clerk to send these out.

21/41 **Traffic Problems/Highways/Footpaths and Byways**

21/41.1 Traffic Noise Joint project with Stebbing

A Zoom meeting will take place at 3pm on the 12/02/21, with various Parish Councils, CC Butland, and Roger Hirst the Police Commissioner.

21/41.2 Traffic Calming Great Saling

Clerk to get an update from Rissa Long.

21/41.3 Footpaths and Byways

Byway No. 5 Paulsies Lane - Temporary Closure

PRoW is looking at doing some work on it this summer and this would require a closure.

Seasonal, or other, closures on byways are looked at and agreed (or not) by their byway working group. The Local PROW Officer will raise it at the next meeting, but as it will be resurfaced this summer there is a strong possibility this will not be agreed.

Cllr Aggiss has asked to meet Ned Gemmill to meet him to look at the By Way.

The by Way sign near Gentleman's Farm, has been repaired also the one at the entrance to Grove Villas.

21/41.4 Footpath Map

No Report

21/42 **Planning Applications**

20/02245/FUL | Construction of an agricultural barn | Piccotts Farm Piccotts Lane
Great Saling Essex CM7 5DW Recommend approval.

21/42.1 Planning Results Outstanding

20/00446/TPO | Notice of intent to carry out works to trees protected by Tree Preservation Order 14/88 - Remove 2 Black Pine trees | Pine Cottage Woolpits Road Great Saling Essex CM7 5EA

20/00452/TPOCON | Notice of intent to carry out works to tree in a Conservation Area - Conifer - fell due to size in comparison to garden, excessive shading of our and neighbours garden | Holly Cottage the Street Great Saling Essex CM7 5DT

Refused.

20/02232/COUPA | Prior approval for the change of use of agricultural building to a dwelling house (Class C3), and for associated operational development - Change of use to 1No. residential dwelling. | Taborsfield House Woolpits Road Bardfield Saling Essex CM7 5EA

20/01674/FUL Erection of a 3 bedroomed dwelling house with access, landscaping and associated development. - Walnut Tree Cottage, Piccotts Lane, Great Saling

20/01563/HH Conversion of and first-floor extension to existing garage, and two-storey link extension to provide a two-storey, two-bedroom annexe. - Medlars, Blake End, Great Saling

21/42.2 Neighbourhood Plan update

The examiner is now drafting his report.

21/42.3 Braintree Local Plan Consultation.

No Report

21/42.4 UDC Local Plan

Issues and Options Character and Heritage for consultation.

from 25/11/20 21:00. The consultation closes on, and therefore comments must be made by 21/04/21 17:00

21/43 Playing Field.

21/43.1 Play Equipment.

The Clerk to find out what a Resi-PD Survey is and who does this. CPCL have offered to repair the Seesaw for £275.00 + VAT but including materials. The Clerk to write to CPCL to see if, whilst they were doing this repair, they would inspect the other equipment that they supplied and if any work was necessary give us a quote. Also confirm that this would then ensure that the remaining warranty is still valid for the next 2 years.

Clerk to check if the insurance is valid if the equipment hasn't been checked monthly.

The bins in the play area will now be emptied by BDC. The box that houses them needs a new lid - Cllr Jiggins to get a quote from Derek.

21/43.2 Play Equipment Inspection

21/44 Matters affecting the Village Hall Committee

The VHMC are going to lock the gates with a combination padlock.
The Clerk to see if BDC will empty the bins at the Village Hall.

21/45 Consultations/Publications sent

There are none.

21/46 Reports from Councillors with matters affecting the village.

- Cllr Aggiss commented that the Dog Poo bin at Bardfield Saling Church entrance gate is not in a good position as it is visible in any photos.
- Green Dog Bins are available from BDC.
- Volunteers have planted 1000 bluebell bulbs in the wooded area off the playing field. Ivy and cleared weeds have been used to make a hedgehog house. There are snowdrops already planted.
- All the trees that Charmaine acquired have been planted.
- Leaves on the path to the hall and in the playing area have been cleared.

21/47 Village Enhancement

The Clerk to chase Steven Pettitt from Eastlight regarding planters and ask if he has managed to look at the railings.

21/48 Parish Mag article

Cllr Jiggins to draft a report.

- Water Tower
- Bluebell Planting
- Reporting to Highways, PRow etc on how to report.

21/49 Balc Representative

Cllrs suggested that when there is a meeting the council will see who is available to attend the meetings.

21/50 Anonymous Letter

The Council agreed that any anonymous letters, would not be dealt with. Only letters and emails in the main body of the letter or email stating names and address will be corresponded to. The clerk to draft a policy to cover this. Proposed Cllr Jigging seconded Cllr Martin.

21/51 Date of the next meeting 10th March Virtual Meeting

21/52 Matters to be raised by members for the next agenda.

21/53 Meeting Closed at 19.55

Signed.....

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