

GOOD EASTER PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON:

Thursday 27th May 2021 at 7pm **Held at Good Easter Village Hall**

In attendance:

Cllr G Seeley (Chairman)

Cllr L Bailin

Cllr G Pitt

Cllr I Watkins

Cllr P West

Cllr C Wood (arrived at 7.19pm)

Miss L White (Clerk to the Council)

1. Election of Chairman

The current Chairman opened the Meeting and declared that he was happy to continue in the role. It was resolved unanimously for Cllr Graham Seeley to be elected as Chairman. Cllr Seeley took the Chairman's position immediately.

2. Declaration of Interests/Recording of Meetings

Members were reminded that they must disclose any interests they know they have in items of business on the meeting's agenda and were advised they may also disclose the interest at any point during the meeting.

They were also advised they are obliged to notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest within 28 days of the meeting, if they have not previously notified him / her about it.

Cllr West declared an interest in the Village Hall

Cllr Watkins declared an interest in the Sportsfield

Cllr Watkins declared an interest in planning application 21/00912/LBC

3. Apologies

Cllr Stephenson – unwell

Cllr Wood had advised he was running late (subsequently arrived at 7.19pm).

4. Minutes / Public Forum

The minutes of the meeting on the 25th March 2021 were approved.

The minutes of the meeting on the 8th April 2021 were approved.

Three members of the public were present. Cllr Seeley invited comments – none made.

5. Election of Vice-Chairman

Cllr Seeley nominated Cllr Pitt seconded by Cllr Watkins. Cllr Pitt was unanimously elected.

6. Appointment of Planning Representative.

Cllr West was unanimously appointed.

7. Members to agree / Discuss Appointment of a Footpath Representative

Clr Balin was unanimously appointed.

8. Defibrillator

Deferred.

9. Report from Essex County Council.

Newly elected to ECC, Cllr Mike Steel addressed the council thanking John Aldridge for his hard work as ECC Councillor for the sixteen years he had served Essex County Council. He gave a resume of the skills and experience he will bring to the role.

Cllr west requested an update on the Salt's Green planning application. Cllr Steel will seek an update to be passed on.

10. Finance

The following payments were approved / noted:

14/04/2021	DD	1&1 Internet	Ionos (website)	£15.62
16/04/2021	BACS	Miss L White	Zoom	£14.39
16/04/2021	BACS	NALC *	Training	£16.80
16/04/2021	BACS	EALC *	Affiliation Fee (incl NALC)	£128.40
29/04/2021	BACS	HMRC	PAYE & NI	Confidential
29/04/2021	BACS	Miss L White	Salary	Confidential
29/04/2021	BACS	Miss L White *	Book of Condolence	£27.98
26/04/2021	DD	Eon	Sportsfield Electricity	£20.33
12/05/2021	DD	1&1 Internet	Ionos (website)	£15.62
22/05/2021	BACS	Miss L White	Zoom	£14.39
22/05/2021	BACS	JCM Services	Grass Cutting	£715.80
25/05/2021	BACS	Miss L White	Salary	Confidential
25/05/2021	BACS	Miss L White	Expenses	TBC

Figures above quoted gross with VAT totalling £134.93

* These items had been approved by the Chairman and the clerk in accordance with Financial Regulations, reference 4.1.

Income noted as follows:

26/04/2021	DC	Chelmsford CC	1 st Instalment Precept	£5,355.00
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The bank reconciliation was approved and signed by the Chairman.

The clerk reported that the Internal Audit had not been completed and that the AGAR will be agreed at a forthcoming Extraordinary Meeting – date to be decided.

It was resolved to down grade the Zoom account to the free version.

NOTE: At 7.19pm, Cllr Wood joined the meeting.

11. Planning Matters

- Members considered the following applications and resolved to support all three.
 - i. 21/00675/FUL
Address: Smallshoes Cottage, Smallshoes Hill, Mashbury, CM1 4SD
Description of works: Single storey rear extension 2 storey side extension.
Consultation extended to 29th May.

- ii. 21/00912/LBC
Address: Primrose Cottage Mill Road Good Easter Chelmsford
Description of works: Repair rotten and damaged timbers in the south elevation external wall. Replace damaged timber with materials to match existing.
- iii. 21/00886/FUL
Address: Chestnut House Tye Green Good Easter Chelmsford
Description of works: Two storey side extension.

- Members noted the status of the following applications:

- i. 20/01900/FUL APPLICATION PERMITTED
Pipers Farm Mill Road Good Easter Chelmsford Essex CM1 4RL
- ii. 21/00192/FUL APPLICATION PERMITTED
May Lilies Mill Road Good Easter Chelmsford

- Members were given the opportunity to report any other planning matters – none.

12. Report from the Village Hall Working Party

Following Cllr West collating the results of the survey (appended to these minutes), there was a clear view the Council need to move forward with the project. The Working Party will continue to meet and recruit those parishioners who had indicated their interest and willingness to be involved in the project.

13. Sportsfield

Cllr Watkins reported that the RoSPA inspection had taken place last month and works to the carpark had been scheduled.

14. Village Hall

Cllr West gave a report and also advised that an event was planned for the 5th September 2021 to celebrate the centenary of the village hall.

15. Litter Pick

It was agreed that the litter pick will be on the 27th June 2021 at 10.30am.

16. Members / Clerk Invited to Share Any Other Business

- The clerk to agree a date with Cllr Seeley to hold an extraordinary Meeting to agree the AGAR and other annual business.
- Cllr West queried why the dog waste bin had not been installed. The clerk to chase Chelmsford City Council.

Meeting closed: 7.45pm

Clerk to the Council:
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Good Easter Parish Council

New Village Hall / Pavilion Questionnaire

Summary of Responses for GEPC on 27/5/2021

	Question	yes	no
1	Do you think that there is a requirement for Good Easter to have a social amenity building	30	1
2	Should a new building be used to combine the activities currently undertaken in both the village hall and sports field pavilion	24	7
3	Would you like to be involved in this project if a Committee of the Parish Council is formed Paul West Tim/ Juliet Glass Christopher/Zoe Monk Amanda/Stewart Clerk Rebecca Luxton/Al Bentman Malcolm Johnston Nicola Yahall (?) Michael Aldiss	8	22
4	Future use of existing village hall <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flower garden • Heritage centre • Residential accommodation • Allotment • Community orchard 	19 10 2 2 1	1 4 8
6	Other activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimart/Bakery/post office/coffee snug • pop up pub/bar/darts/table tennis /snooker • Play group/art classes • Kitchen facility/bar • Air rifle range ...presumably outside • Wedding/event hire • Doctors/health centre • Swimming pool !!! 	8 6 2 6 1 6 1 1	
7	Other comments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal constraints to retain the village hall grounds as public grounds • Comments opposing demolition of existing village hall 	1 6	