

**RIVENHALL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD 3 APRIL 2018
IN THE RIVENHALL VILLAGE HALL.**

Present: Cllrs. Abbott, Wright, Knubley, Anderson, Clark, Turner and Prime.

In the Chair: Cllr. Abbott

Also present: Parish Clerk, and 1 member of the public.

1607. To receive any apologies for absence.

An apology was received from BDC Cllr. Bowers.

1608. Disclosure of any Pecuniary Interests relating to this agenda.

Cllr Abbott declared non-pecuniary interests in all matters relating to ECC and the BDLHP.

Cllrs. Prime,, Anderson and Wright declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 1612(18/00580/FUL) as members, trustees and representatives for the RPFA.

1609. To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 6 March 2018.

The Minutes were **unanimously agreed** and then signed by the Chairman.

1610. Public Forum for 10 minutes.

There were no matters brought to Members' attention.

1611. Matters for discussion.

i. ECC financial inefficiencies.

A number of queries were raised relative to ECC Highways costings for repairs undertaken by Ringway Jacobs and new schemes such as signs, all of which appear exorbitant given the operational methods used.

ii. Repair to damaged village sign.

The Clerk continues to make enquiries regarding the repairs to this sign and, in due course, the submission of an insurance claim.

iii. Annual Report & A.P.A.

Members perused a draft copy of the Annual Report and **agreed** that details of the 30mph speed stickers for wheelie bins be included. 350 copies are to be produced and delivered to each dwelling in the Parish prior to the APA on 1 May 2018.

The Clerk also updated Members regarding the agenda for the APA.

iv. Planning and the 'Village Envelope'.

Following the granting of the latest planning application which crossed over the agreed Village Envelope it **was proposed by Cllr. Prime, seconded by Cllr. Anderson and unanimously agreed** that the Clerk write to BDC requesting confirmation of their attitude towards the Village Development Envelope in relation to what their officers describe as 'Planning Balance'.

v. Data Protection Regulations & Data Protection Officer.

There was nothing further to report at this stage, and there is a great deal of uncertainty as to any future action as further information is still awaited from EALC/NALC.

- vi. Potters Crossing - Public Inquiry dates.
This Inquiry is due to resume on Tuesday 25 September 2018. Individual programme details will be available in due course.
- vii. Highway & PRow matters.
- ECC Highways have notified road closures for works at Church Road/Park Road. Western Road for 4 days from 18 April 2018 and overnight closure of Colemans Bridge, 14 May 2018, for 2 nights - 20.00 to 06.00 hours.
 - The increasing number of potholes has been reported to ECC.
 - The A12 Southbound slip still requires cleaning and repairs.
 - Construction of the footway/cycleway along Little Braxted Lane has commenced.
- viii. General maintenance.
- (a) Replacement tree at Foxmead.
Cllr. Clark will liaise with the maintenance contractor for the purchase and planting of a replacement Mountain Ash at the entrance to Foxmead.
 - (b) Grass cutting programme commencement.
It **was agreed** that the maintenance contractor be requested to commence grasscutting with effect from 10 April 2018.
 - (c) Items of concrete have been dumped on the grass verge at the junction of Henry Dixon Road and Oak Road
 - (d) The maintenance contractor will be requested to trim back the shrubbery near the junction of Henry Dixon Road and Oak Road.
 - (e) The maintenance contractor will be requested to trim back the vegetation close to the glass bus shelter in Rickstones Road.

1612. Planning Applications:

New Applications:

18/00580/FUL: Erection of nursery - Rivenhall Village Hall

Proposed by Cllr. Wright, seconded by Cllr. Abbott and agreed by a vote of 3 for, 2 against and 2 abstentions that although no objections are raised relative to this application, and given the fact that this is a much needed educational pre-school facility housed in a modular non domestic style building with limited operational hours, it is, nevertheless, to be situated outside the local Village Development Envelope.

Further reference to previous application 17/01730/OUT - Land south of Rickstones Road.

Given the additional recent documentation included on the BDC website relative to this application, it **was agreed** that additional objections be notified to BDC as follows:

The site of this proposed new development is **NOT** within North Ward as stated but lies entirely within Rivenhall Parish and, therefore, the ECC Educational document needs to be revisited especially with regard to early years contributions.

The existing hedge fronting Rickstones Road is **NOT** of limited quality, nor is it full of dead Elm. Following a recent inspection by a parish councillor, it is confirmed that there are at least 9 species of trees/shrubs, including Oak and

that there are significant sections where it is a double hedge of at least 3 metres width and contains a great variety of wildlife.

There is no safe road crossing proposed for children to access the local schools from neither this proposed development nor Rivenhall Park, which is currently being developed.

The Parish Council continues to be very concerned that BDC is ignoring the need for S106 contributions, at least in part, to support services in Rivenhall.

Planning Results.

18/00101/FUL: Erection of storage unit - Rivenhall Place.

Application granted.

18/00102/LBC: As above.

Application withdrawn.

Application withdrawn.

17/02068/FUL: Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 2 no. replacement houses - 23 Church Road.

Application granted.

Planning Appeals.

There were no planning appeals to be reported to this meeting.

1613. Ongoing Planning Issues:

- i. A12 & A120 Projects.
 - (a) A12 - there was nothing further to report at this meeting.
 - (b) A120 - there was nothing further to report at this meeting.
- ii. BDC Local Plan.

There was nothing further to report at this meeting.
- iii. Bradwell Quarry.

Comments relative to the latest planning application for site A5 have were forwarded to ECC subsequent to the March meeting.
- iv. IWMF.

There was nothing further to report at this meeting.
- v. Coleman's Farm Quarry.

The next Liaison Meeting is scheduled for 11 April 2018.
- vi. BDLHP

It was confirmed that all Rivenhall schemes are still included in the programme.

1614. Correspondence received since the date of the agenda.

There was no additional correspondence.

1615. Reports from PC Representatives (if any).

Cllr, Prime gave a brief report from the last Passenger Transport Representatives meeting.

1616 Finance matters:

- (i) To agree accounts for payment.

Proposed by Cllr. Wright, seconded by Cllr. Abbott and unanimously agreed that the following accounts be paid. Cheques were then drawn accordingly.

1228	Henry Dixon Hall Charity	£18.75	Hall Hire
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1229	R. P. F. A.	£40.00	Hall Hire
1230	Karen Bridge	£94.50	Litter picking March '18
1231	K. P. Taylor	£318.94	Salary/expenses March '18
1232	E. A. L. C.	£220.58	Affiliation fees 2018/19

(ii) It **was agreed** that the final accounts for the year 2017/18 be accepted as a true and accurate record. The Chairman then signed Section 1 of the Annual Return.

1617. Information exchange and items for the May agenda.

- * Would the council give support to any celebrations to mark the 100th anniversary of the end of WWI? Cllr. Turner indicated that it was possible that the Millennium Committee would give support to any celebrations.
- * It does not appear that any BDC enforcement action has been effective against the use of the off-road parking at a property in Oak Road. The Clerk will write to BDC accordingly.
- * It was reported that litter generally is increasing - the Chairman will continue to raise this with BDC.

1618. Ten minute public feedback (as required).

There was no feedback.

1619. Dates of future meetings.

Tuesdays 1 May in Rivenhall Village Hall and 5 June in The Henry Dixon Hall, both commencing promptly at 20.00 hours.

Items for the May, Annual Council Meeting, agenda to the Clerk by 20 April at the latest.

1620. Closure

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21.30 hours.

Signed..... Date:.....

CHAIRMAN