

**RIVENHALL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 3 NOVEMBER 2015**

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

In the Chair: Cllr. Abbott

Also present: Parish Clerk plus BDC Cllr. Bowers and 2 members of the public.

1170. To receive apologies for absence.

An apology was received from Cllr. Bills.

1171. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests relating to matters on this Agenda.

Cllr. Abbott declared Non-Pecuniary Interests in all matters relating to ECC and the BDLHP.

Cllr. Turner declared a Non-Pecuniary Interest in item 1174(ii).

1172. To approve and sign the Minutes of the meeting held on 6 October 2015.

The minutes were **unanimously approved** and then signed by the Chairman.

1173. Public Forum for 10 minutes.

There were no matters raised by members of the public.

1174. Matters for Discussion:

- i. Possible provision of a Defibrillator located at the Village Hall.
Proposed by Cllr. Wright, seconded by Cllr. Prime and unanimously agreed that an approach be made to the British Heart Foundation for the possible free provision of a defibrillator. Cllr. Prime will raise the issue with the RPFA in regard to the defibrillator being located outside the Village Hall.
- ii. Provision of Christmas Tree.
Proposed by Cllr. Abbott, seconded by Cllr. Wright and unanimously agreed that the budgeted sum of £210.00 be donated toward the cost of providing the Village Christmas Tree this year. Cheque to draw in favour of Mr. Fred Smith at the next meeting.
- iii. Network Rail - parking near Railway Bridge, Oak Road.
Confirmation has been received that Network Rail are to approach the landowner with details of the proposals to create/improve the parking area at the commencement of Footpath 47 on Oak Road close to the railway embankment.
- iv. ECC Highways Maintenance.
 - (a) The pothole on Rickstones Road just below Stoverns Hall Farm has been reported to ECC via their website.
 - (b) ECC indicate that they do not own the grass "D" area outside 13 Foxden. Contact will be made with the residents of 13 Foxden to ascertain ownership of this land.
- v. General Maintenance.
 - (a) BDC will, by liaison with Mrs. French, arrange for the installation of the memorial seat on the Village Green.
 - (b) Cut back the end of the hedge between Oak Stores and the first house. (Cllr. Turner agreed to ask the owner to cut this back)
 - (c) Greenfields to be contacted regarding the rebuilding of the brickwork and handrail leading from St. Mary's Road to Church Road.

- (d) Further grasscutting on the Village Green and other maintained areas to be monitored for any further cutting this Autumn.

1175. Planning Matters:

New Applications:

There were no new applications when this agenda was produced.

15/00800/FUL; Land off Forest Road. This will be considered by the BDC Planning Committee on 10 November 2015. Cllr. Prime agreed to attend to represent the Parish Council, particularly in respect to the allocation of any Section 106 monies.

Planning Results:

15/01050/FUL: Wedding venue - Rivenhall Place.

Application withdrawn.

15/00726/FUL: Improvements to hard play area at Rivenhall Primary School.

Application granted.

15/00867/FUL: A12 North Side former BP filling station.

Application granted.

Planning Appeals:

15/00015/COUPA: Change of use of agricultural building to dwelling house - Burghey Brook Farm.

The Council originally recommended that this application be refused as the site was considered inappropriate for such a change of use due to the totally inadequate and unacceptable access/egress direct to and from the A12.

15/00762/FUL: Land adjacent Glebe Farm, Rectory Lane - erection of dwelling.

The Council originally made no comment relative to this application.

1176. Ongoing Planning Issues:

i. BDC Local Plan.

The BDC draft Local Plan site allocations will not be published until Summer 2016, not January 2016 as previously stated. BDC will be inviting parishes to meetings to talk about proposed sites in their areas - Rivenhall meetings are with Witham. The next BDC Local Plan meeting is scheduled for 11 November 2015.

BDC are proposing that 4 Rivenhall sites along the A12 be dropped from the current housing sites development list - sites Riv.362, 363, 364 and 365.

Clarification is being sought from BDC as to whether these are cancelled or if they are being moved to a different list, possibly for employment sites.

ii. Rivenhall Airfield - Bradwell Quarry.

There was nothing further to report at this meeting.

iii. Rivenhall Airfield - Waste Incinerator.

The Chairman is in discussion with the Environment Agency regarding local consultation meetings.

iv. ECC Minerals Plan.

There was nothing further to report at this meeting.

v. Proposed Colemans Farm Quarry.

There was nothing further to report at this meeting.

vi. Tarecroft Wood.

There was nothing further to report at this meeting.

vii. Braintree District Local Highways Panel.

The very latest information remains as follows:

- a. 7.5T weight restriction, Oak Road (linked) new signage in Church Road/Oak Road. There will be a public consultation period with implementation by March 2016
 - b. Extended 30mph limit along Church Road. There will be a public consultation period with implementation by March 2016.
 - c. Grass verge outside 51-53 Oak Road - due November 2015.
 - d. Rectory Lane traffic restrictions - in validation.
 - e. Reflector bollards along, Park Road - in validation.
 - f. Introduction of a speed monitoring loop on Rickstones Road, approved.
- The next meetings of the BDLHP will take place on Monday 18 January 2016 and Thursday 24 March 2016, both in Causeway House.
- Due to the continuing problem with HGVs travelling along Oak Road to the Railway Bridge, the Chairman will raise the need for additional HGV warning signs along Church Road and Oak Road.

1177. Correspondence received since the date of this Agenda.

There was no additional correspondence brought to this meeting.

1178. Reports from PC Representatives.

There were no reports for this meeting.

1179. Finance Matters:

To agree accounts for payment.

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

1057	CPRE	£36.00	Annual membership fee
1058	Kempco Ltd	£56.00	Printing $\frac{1}{2}$ year reports
1059	D. Clark	£47.38	Planting at Rivenhall End
1060	K.P. Taylor	£399.52	Salary/expenses October 2015
1061	P.G. Groundcare Ltd	£394.20	Maintenance October 2015
1062	A. Walsh	£108.00	Litter picking October 2015

1180. Information exchange and items for the next Agenda.

- * Footpath 47 from Oak Road is blocked - Clerk to report to ECC.
- * The provision of an additional public forum - for the December agenda.

1181. Dates of future meetings.

Tuesdays 1 December 2015 in The Henry Dixon Hall and 5 January 2016 in Rivenhall Village Hall, both commencing promptly at 20.00 hours
Items for the December meeting to the Clerk by 18 November 2015 at the latest.

1182. Closure

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21.05 hours.

Signed:

CHAIRMAN

Date: