

**RIVENHALL PARISH COUNCIL
DRAFT MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD 5th NOVEMBER 2019
IN THE RIVENHALL VILLAGE HALL.**

Present: Cllrs. Abbott, Wright, A'Lee, Cairns, Elliott and Prime.

Also present: Parish Clerk and 3 members of the public.

1888. To receive any apologies for absence.

An apology was received from Cllr. Turner who was unwell.

1889. Disclosure of any Pecuniary Interests relating to this agenda.

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

Cllr. Prime declared a non-pecuniary interest in items 1892(i & iii) as a member of the RPFA.

1890. To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 1st October 2019.

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

1891. Public Forum for 10 minutes.

The following matters were brought to members' attention:

- Outline planning application re land at Glebe Farm, Rectory Lane - see item 1893(19/01947/OUT).
- A12 widening - see item 1894(i)(a).
- Accident on Rickstones Road involving a post van.
- Pavement parking along Rickstones Road - offenders must be reported to Essex Police using telephone 101.
- A12 unauthorised advertising on private land requires BDC enforcement action.
- Drain markings along Rickstones Road are linked in with the footway renewals.

1892. Matters for discussion.

i. Tree planting to commemorate 125 years of Parish Councils' inauguration.

The Clerk has not received a reply from the RPFA re the suggestion of a community orchard.

Cllr. Cairns reported from the last RPFA meeting that the RPFA were against any tree planting on the playing field.

ii. Ward Joint Parish Council Meetings.

A suggestion has been put forward regarding a joint approach being made to BDC re the use of S.106 monies to improve the Silver End surgery which is used by residents from all three parishes.

The suggestion of a joint handyman for all three parishes has presented some operational difficulties.

iii. New footpath r/o Village Hall.

BDC will endeavour to get this project included in the capital budget estimate for 2020/21.

iv. **Tarecroft Wood & car park management.**

The Clerk has contacted the appropriate ECC officer regarding the possible entrance gate and there is to be liaison between various ECC officers regarding this. The Clerk will remind ECC if nothing is heard by the end of November.

ECC indicate a willingness to clear the scrub from around the car parking area with a possibility, if RPC are willing, for RPC to maintain this area in future. The Chairman has yet to inspect the tree markings within the woodland which indicate those due to be felled.

- v. Request for road names on development south of Rickstones Road.
 Suggestions for the four road names were agreed as follows:
 Tarecroft - representing the ancient woodland just north of Rickstones Road
 Hawkins - in memory of the 19th century Rector of Rivenhall
 Blanchefort - one of the local Templar Knights
 Horseshoe - as the archaeological survey found evidence on the site
- vi. Highway & PRoW matters.
- (a) *Footpath 49 etc.*
 Detailed information has been received from ECC re the procedure for requesting a footpath diversion for Footpath 49 and for the request to create a new footpath along Church Road, north from the Church. It transpires that ECC has no budget for work of this nature, any cost may fall back upon the parish council or landowner.
- (b) The Chairman has completed an inspection of all streetlights within the parish and has reported all those defunct to ECC for action.
- (c) ECC appears to have completed the remedial works to the verge at the junction of Oak Road and Henry Dixon Road, albeit the 'bell' shaped bollards seem precarious.
- (d) Henry Dixon Road is to be closed for major roadworks for 9 days from 18th November, but retaining access to/from the A12 for HGVs.
- (e) The A12 potholes have, as predicted, reappeared.
- (f) Repairs to the junction at The Oak junction are still outstanding.
- vii. General Maintenance matters.
- (a) *Notice Board at Village Hall.*
 The Clerk has obtained two quotations for the repair of the notice board:
 £344.00 - including repainting and felt to top.
 £281.13 - not including repainting or felting.
Proposed by Cllr. Wright, seconded by Cllr. A'Lee and unanimously agreed that the quotation in the sum of £344.00 be accepted.
- (b) *CCTV coverage.*
 The installation is progressing.
- (c) The Chairman will inspect the footway along Rickstones Road, linking with Footpath 1, to ascertain the merit of trimming back the shrubbery in order to give additional illumination from the existing streetlights.
- (d) The maintenance contractor will be requested to trim back the overhanging vegetation from the property at Smith's Corner on Oak Road.

1893. Planning Applications:

New Applications:

19/01947/OUT: land adjoining Glebe Farm, Rectory Lane.

Erection of 3 dwellings.

Proposed by Cllr. A'Lee, seconded by Cllr. Prime and unanimously agreed that 'No Comment' be raised regarding this application.

UPDATE: 19/01434/DAC - Land south of Rickstones Road.

Despite renewed requests for all matters relating to this site to be available for search on its website under Rivenhall, BDC is still listing items under the Witham search.

Planning Results:

19/01462/OUT: Erection of 8 dwellings - Land east of Church Road

Application refused.

Planning Appeals:

There were no appeals to report.

1894. Ongoing Planning Issues:

i. *A12 & A120 Projects.*

A12 to A120 widening.

The current consultation process is open until 1st December 2019.

Uncertainty remains regarding the future use of the existing A12 through Rivenhall End and the proximity of the proposed new route of the A12 to the existing dwellings.

The Chairman is to draft a council response to this consultation for circulation prior to it being forwarded to the appropriate authority.

ii. *BDC Local Plan.*

Re-examination resumes during January 2020.

iii. *Bradwell Quarry.*

An exhibition will be held on 14th November 2019 in Bradwell Village Hall relative future major quarry extensions

iv. *IWMF*

There was nothing to report at this meeting.

v. *Colemans Quarry*

There will be a liaison meeting during December 2019.

vi. *BDLHP.*

The Chairman reported that all speed limit requests have been rejected but that the Oak Road HGV weight restriction was still being considered.

1895. Correspondence received since the date of this agenda.

There was no additional correspondence.

1896. Reports from PC Representatives.

There were no reports for this meeting.

1897. Finance matters:

To agree accounts for payment.

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

1336	£197.70	BDC	CCTV cameras & equipment
1337	£45.00	Royal British Legion	Remembrance wreath
1338	Cheque cancelled		
1339	£60.00	RPFA	Hall Hire
1340	£336.90	K. P. Taylor	Salary/expenses Oct. '19
1341	£110.25	Karen Bridge	Litter picking Oct. '19
1342	£258.00	P. G. Groundcare Ltd.	Maintenance Oct. '19

1898. Information exchange and items for the December agenda.

* Nothing has been received regarding the proposed new school along Rickstones Road.

1899. Ten minute public feedback.

There was nothing raised.

1900. Dates of future meetings.

Tuesdays 3rd December in The Henry Dixon Hall and 7th January 2020 in Rivenhall Village Hall, both commencing promptly at 20.00 hours.

Items for the December agenda to the Clerk by 22nd November at the latest.

Members were reminded that the Budget & Precept setting meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 11th December in Rivenhall Village Hall, commencing at 20.00 hours.

1901. Closure

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21.40 hours.

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

CHAIRMAN