

**RIVENHALL PARISH COUNCIL
DRAFT MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD 1st OCTOBER 2019
IN THE RIVENHALL VILLAGE HALL.**

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

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

1874. To receive any apologies for absence.

There were no apologies for absence.

1875. 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 item 1878(i) as a member of the RPFA.

1876. To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd September 2019.

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

1877. Public Forum for 10 minutes.

There were no matters brought to members' attention.

1878. Matters for discussion.

i. Possible financial contribution towards cost of installing new footpaths between the Village Hall and Albert Moss Play Area.

After a brief discussion it was **unanimously agreed** to await production of appropriate quotations from BDC before considering any level of financial contribution.

ii. Tarecroft Wood & Car Park.

Following the September site management meeting the woodland trees have been marked for coppicing and spacing, with work due to commence during October 2019. The aim is to lighten, but sustain the canopy, regenerate and renew all species, improve habitat structure and encourage a variety of heights; plus provide sites for seeding and planting, and increase species diversity with warmth and energy below. There will be some gaps and there will be some supplementary planting of a new generation of local provenance oak before Christmas. There will be a stacking area by the entrance and the firewood will be collected without disturbance probably in the late spring. The Chairman is to inspect the tree markings for agreed accuracy before work commences.

The Clerk will contact the appropriate ECC officers regarding the gating of the car park and the thinning/clearing of the vegetation surrounding it.

iii. Informal joint parishes meeting.

The inaugural meeting took place on 26th September at Silver End with Cllrs. Abbott, Wright, A'Lee and Cairns plus the Clerk in attendance. Matters raised related to tree planting, BDC Local Plan, co-ordination of local village events and the possibility of sharing employment of local handyman/contractor. Future meetings to rotate and convene every 4 months (Feb., June and Oct.) with the next meeting being held at Cressing on 20th February 2020.

It was agreed that Tree Planting, to commemorate 125 years of Parish Council's inauguration, be on the November agenda and that the Clerk contact the RPFA

regarding a possible 'Community Orchard' being located in the area of the playing field to the rear of the Old Rectory.

iv. Highway & PRow matters.

- (a) H. E. has again undertaken temporary repairs to the A12 carriageway.
- (b) There is no news regarding improvements/repairs to the Rickstones Road footways.
- (c) The Chairman will undertake an Autumnal streetlight check and report all malfunctions to ECC Highways.
- (d) The local landowner at Rivenhall Hall Farm has agreed to the proposed Footpath 49 diversions away from the farmyard and buildings requesting that RPC initiate the required action. **It was agreed** that the Clerk contact ECC PRow accordingly.

v. General Maintenance matters.

- (a) Parish Council notice board at the Village Hall.
Proposed by Cllr. Wright, seconded by Cllr. Prime and unanimously agreed that a local quotation be obtained for these repairs for comparison with the purchase of a new notice board.
- (b) The CCTV cameras have been received by BDC and, by liaison with the Chairman they will be installed at agreed locations, being monitored and maintained by BDC. The cost of all the equipment was £180.32, which will be invoiced to the parish council in due course.
The question as to whether 2 additional cameras and equipment be purchased via BDC will be revisited at the January 2020 meeting
- (c) The maintenance contractor will be requested to trim back the low growth from the oak tree opposite the glass bus shelter on Rickstones Road.

1879. Planning Applications:

New Applications:

19/01708/HH: 25A Browns Row Cottages, Oak Road, Rivenhall End.

Retrospective application for proposed balcony.

Members raised no comment regarding this application, providing that the proposed screening does protect the adjacent property.

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

From the documents shown on the BDC website it would appear that Bellway are applying for a 'One Way' HGV restriction on part of Rectory Lane. Noting the BDC comments relative to Rectory Lane being a 'Protected Lane' the Clerk will ask BDC to clarify exactly what Bellway's intentions are in regard to their request.

Planning Results:

19/01036/HH: 128 Oak Road - Two storey rear/side extension etc.

Application granted.

19/01005/HH: 1 Waterfall Cottages, Park Road - Conservatory.

Application granted.

Planning Appeals:

Nothing at date of agenda.

1880. Ongoing Planning Issues:

i. A12 & A120 Projects.

A12: The next A12 Forum is to be held at Spring Lodge, Chipping Hill, Witham on 14th October 2019, commencing at 19.30 hours.

H. E. is to undertake ecological/archaeological surveys for the A12 Chelmsford to A120 widening scheme at Marks Tey, from September 2019 to May 2020.

- ii. BDC Local Plan.
A Local Plan information evening, organised by BDC Cllrs. James Abbott and Bob Wright, was held at Silver End Village Hall on Thursday 26th September. Earlier the parish council's detailed response, drafted by Cllr. A'Lee and circulated to all councillors, was forwarded to BDC and its receipt acknowledged.
- iii. Bradwell Quarry.
Nothing further to report.
- iv. IWMF
Nothing further to report.
- v. Colemans Quarry
Having forwarded comments to ECC as per minute 1866(v) - September - a reply was received indicating that this wasn't a formal planning application. Such may well be submitted in due course.
- vi. BDLHP.
ECC has now finally agreed to the installation of two new interactive HGV signs giving advance warning of the low bridge along Oak Road this is now fully funded with an estimated installation date of Spring 2020.
The repair of the damaged rectory Lane 'Quiet Lane' sign has been referred to ECC for appropriate action.

1881. Correspondence received since the date of this agenda.

There was no additional correspondence.

1882. Reports from PC Representatives (if any).

There were no reports for this meeting.

1883. Finance matters:

To agree accounts for payment.

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

1329	£97.82	BDC	Refund of VAT overpaid re posts
1330	£79.20	Kempco Ltd	Printing ½ year reports
1331	£26.25	HDHC	Hall Hire
1332	£36.00	CPRE	Membership fee 2019/20
1333	£117.00	K. Bridge	Litter picking Sept. '19
1334	£347.14	K. P. Taylor	Salary/expenses Sept. '19
1335	£195.00	P. G. Groundcare Ltd.	Maintenance Sept. '19

1884. Information exchange and items for the November agenda.

- * RBL wreath cheque to be drawn at the November meeting.
- * The Chairman to remind ECC re the Oak Road/Henry Dixon Road junction remedial works.
- * A dead tree required replacing near the village sign at Rivenhall End.
- * Christmas Tree cheque to be drawn at the November meeting.

1885. Ten minute public feedback (if required).

There was no feedback.

1886. Dates of future meetings.

Tuesdays 5th November in Rivenhall Village Hall and 3rd December in The Henry Dixon Hall, both commencing promptly at 20.00 hours.

Items for the November agenda to the Clerk by 25th October at the latest.

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

1887. Closure

The Chairman closed the meeting at 20.58 hours.

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