

**RIVENHALL PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD 8<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2019  
IN RIVENHALL VILLAGE HALL.**

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

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

Before the meeting commenced all present stood for a minute in recognition of the stalwart support for the parish given by Messrs. Prime and Barrett who both passed away recently.

**1746. To receive any apologies for absence.**

An apology was received from Cllr. Clark (illness).

**1747. Disclosure of any Pecuniary Interests relating to this agenda.**

Cllr Abbott declared non-pecuniary interests in all matters relating to ECC, and the BDLHP. Also a pecuniary interest in item 1755(i) as relating to the Chairman's Allowance included within the 2019/20 Budget.

**1748. To approve and sign the minutes of the meetings held on 4<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> December 2018.**

Both sets of minutes were **unanimously approved** and then signed by the Chairman.

**1749. Public Forum for 10 minutes.**

The following matters were brought to Members' attention:

- Various streetlights were still not operational despite being reported to ECC.
- Church Road pedestrian crossing - a BDLHP bid is being submitted regarding possible improvements.
- Village Sign repairs are nearing completion.
- The wooden signpost at Oak Junction still requires reinstatement.

**1750. Matters for discussion.**

i. ECC Devolution and Public Realm/Highway Services.

Detailed information was received via EALC with regard to the ECC Highways Devolution Pilot, the Clerk and the Chairman, having perused in detail the documents provided by ECC and the answers to questions raised following the discussions during November, have agreed not to proceed with the Highways Devolution Pilot at this stage.

ii. Possible provision of wheelbarrow(s) for winter salt distribution.

**Proposed by Cllr. Abbott, seconded by Cllr. Prime and unanimously agreed** that 1 wheelbarrow be purchased for this use to be stored in the shed along with the existing one and that a shed key be loaned to a local resident who has volunteered to spread the salt in the areas off Church Road and St Mary's Road.

iii. BDC Polling Places Review.

The BDC Full Council confirmed the rejection of the request by WTC that some Rivenhall residents be allocated a polling station within Witham.

- iv. ECC Local Bus Consultation.  
ECC has launched an on-line consultation to find out the importance of evening and Sunday local bus services.
- v. Highway & P. R. o W. matters.
  - (a) Improvements were to day being undertaken by Ringway Jacobs at the junction of Oak Road and Henry Dixon Road.
  - (b) The sunken drain along Oak Road has again been reported to ECC.
  - (c) The plethora of developers' signs has been reported to the appropriate authorities.
  - (d) Temporary repairs have been made to the A12 pot holes.
- vi. General maintenance.
  - (a) Arrangements are being put in hand to repair the council notice boards on Rickstones Road and Church Road at the shop.

**1751. Planning Applications:**

***New Applications:***

**ESS/36/17/BTE & ESS/37/17/BTE:** IWMF, Rivenhall Airfield - Additional information.

**It was unanimously agreed** to defer consideration of this application until the February meeting.

**ESS/44/18/BTE/SPO:** Bradwell Quarry - Extraction of 6.5m tonnes of sand and gravel from site A7.

**AND**

**ESS/01/19/BTE/SPO:** Land North of Cut Hedge Lane, Grange Farm, Coggeshall. Creation of a passive flood alleviation scheme.

The following comments/observations were raised by Members:

- These two sites are not considered necessary, given the current requirements for sand and gravel.
- These two sites are together much too large for the local area.
- Due to the current uncertainty over the possible development of West Tey how would these two sites relate to any decision regarding the re-routing of the A120?

**18/02191/VAR:** Amending design of 51 of the 222 dwellings previously approved - Land off Forest Road.

No comments/observations were raised by Members.

**18/02200/FUL:** Erection of 3 employment units - Waterside Business Park, Eastways.

The following comments/observations were raised by Members:

- Given the proximity of local residential properties, there is the necessity for any external lighting to be flat to ground zero tilt lighting.
- Will any S106 monies be made available for projects within Rivenhall Parish?

**18/02217/FUL:** Proposed two storey side extension, front porch & dropped kerb to serve existing driveway. - 453 Rickstones Road.

No comments/observations were raised by Members.

**18/02316/REM:** Land south of Rickstones Road.

This large reserved matters application (over 50 documents) to be considered at the February meeting with a request to BDC in the meantime for an extension to allow this, and also a request to ensure that all documents relating to this site can be searched under Rivenhall on the BDC website, and not part Rivenhall/part Witham as is currently the case.

**Discharge of conditions applications relating to 19/00947/OUT: Land south of Rickstones Road.**

**It was unanimously agreed** to recommend comments to BDC as follows:

*Conditions 24 and 25 - Noise.* No comments/observations.

*Conditions 8 and 10 - Drainage.* No comments/observations.

*Conditions 5 - Construction Management and Condition 26 - Hedge.* Comments as follows:

- It is unclear as to the construction access proposals.
- A question must be raised concerning the start date of 2019 when the hedge transplantation will not commence until November 2019.
- The Saturday working hours should be limited to 13.00 hours, no later.

*Conditions 17, 18, 19 & 20 - Ecology and lighting.* No comments/observations.

**Planning Results.**

**18/01916/COUPA:** Park Gate Farm.

Application granted with BDC granting daily operational hours up to midnight.

**Planning Appeals.**

Nothing to report at this meeting.

**1752. Ongoing Planning Issues:**i. A12 & A120 Projects.

(a) A12

Nothing to report at this meeting.

(b) A120

Nothing to report at this meeting.

ii. BDC Local Plan. - North Essex Authorities (NEA) Consultation.

Independent consultants are undertaking the work on behalf of the NEAs and the NEAs are consulting Natural England, Historic England, the Environment Agency and all Section 1 Local Plan hearing session participants on the scope of the Additional Sustainability Appraisal.

iii. Bradwell Quarry.

See under 1751 above.

iv. IWMF.

Dates for open exhibitions.

Gent Fairhead and Indaver aim to develop and commence the main civil engineering works for the IWMF in 2019 and in order to answer any of the public's questions about the project and explain what has been done in preparing the applications, public exhibitions have been arranged at the following locations:

Bradwell Village Hall - Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019 from 16.00 to 19.00hrs.

Silver End Village Hall - Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2019 from 16.00 to 19.00hrs.

Coggeshall Village Hall - Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2019 from 16.00 to 19.00hrs.

Also see under 1751 above.

v. Coleman's Farm Quarry.

At the December liaison meeting it was ascertained that Brice Aggregates intend to apply to increase the HGV movements by between double and treble the current limits; they intend to apply to import waste materials such as road scalplings in order to re-sell such materials.

vi. BDLHP

- A new bid for a 30mph extension or 40mph buffer speed restriction along Church Road is to be submitted.
- Two casualty reduction schemes have been approved; Church Road and on the approach to Appleford Bridge.
- HGV height restriction warning activation signs relating to the Railway Bridge are being actively considered by ECC for siting on Oak Road near the recycling site. Network Rail is to be approached regarding support in principle and a possible financial contribution towards any installation.
- See also under item 1749 above.

**1753. Correspondence received since the date of the agenda.**

There was no additional correspondence to be considered.

**1754. Reports from PC Representatives (if any).**

There were no reports presented at this meeting.

**1755. Finance matters:**

i. *To agree the Budget and Precept figures for 2019/20.*

The Chairman left the meeting at this point as he had declared a DPI regarding this item.

**Proposed by Cllr. Wright, seconded by Cllr. Turner and unanimously agreed,** that the Council's Budget for 2019/2010 be confirmed at £13,494.00.00 and the Precept for 2019/2020 be confirmed at £11,500.00, leaving a possible shortfall of £1,994.00 to be met from existing balances.

ii. *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.

1279	£107.96	Stephanie Bills	Website hosting.
1280	£6.25	The Henry Dixon Hall Charity	Hall Hire (bal.) Dec. '18.
1281	£40.00	RPFA	Hall Hire Jan & Feb '19.
1282	£105.75	Karen Bridge	Litter picking Dec. '18.
1283	£316.90	K. P. Taylor	Salary/expenses Dec. '18.
1284	£144.00	P. G. Groundcare Ltd	Maintenance Nov/Dec '18.

**1756. Information exchange and items for the February agenda.**

\* The Annual Report for 2018/19. **Next meeting.**

\* Litter and Fly Tipping problems. **Next meeting.**

\* Possible sites for Social Housing have been referred to BDC by Cllr. Prime.

**1757. Ten minute public feedback (as required).**

There was no feedback.

**1758. Dates of future meetings.**

Tuesdays 5<sup>th</sup> February in Rivenhall Village Hall and 5<sup>th</sup> March in The Henry Dixon Hall, both commencing promptly at 20.00 hours.

Items for the February agenda to the Clerk by 25<sup>th</sup> January at the latest.

**1759. Closure**

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21.47 hours.

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

CHAIRMAN