

**RIVENHALL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD 2ND JULY 2013.**

Present: Cllrs. Bills, Wright, Brailey, Prime, Turner and Clark.

In the Chair: Cllr. Bills.

Also present: Parish Clerk and 5 members of the public.

772.. To receive apologies for absence.

An apology was received from Cllr. Abbott who was attending the BDC Planning Committee.

773.. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests relating to matters on the Agenda.

There were no Disclosures reported to this meeting.

774.. To approve and sign the Minutes of the meeting held on 4th June 2013.

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

775.. Public Forum for 10 minutes.

The following matter was brought to the attention of Members:

- Continual indiscriminate parking close to the School in Church Road
While waiting for the parking revisions to be finalised by the NEPP, Cllr. Bills will endeavour to arrange liaison with the Police, Headteacher, Road Safety Officer, residents and parents to highlight the dangers presented by this parking.

776.. Matters for Discussion.

- i. Parking restriction at the Recycling Site and lay by in Henry Dixon Road.
Before any request is submitted to the NEPP, the Council must monitor the sites over a period of time (minimum 3 months) to provide clear evidence of the on-going problem. Cllr. Bills has commenced and will continue this monitoring at the recycling site. Any submission by the Council is likely to take up to a year before any traffic regulation orders can be implemented. This will be included again on the September agenda.
- ii. Tarecroft Wood - possible freehold transfer.
The Clerk is still awaiting details of the second fencing estimate and a reply from ECC. This will be included on the August agenda.
- iii. Feedback re First Bus routes 131/132.
Cllr. Prime attended the Passenger Transport Meeting and reported that First Bus indicated that both services should be more reliable in the future. It was reported that this service was still very inadequate. **It was agreed** that a notice be posted on the bus stop notice board requesting bus users that should buses fail to arrive, then the failures should be reported to Cllr. Prime via phone, email or personally, advising of the time and destination of the bus. He will collate these reports and contact First Bus accordingly.
Grants for any new bus shelters should be routed via the Braintree Highways Liaison Panel.
Should future roadworks block roads in to Rivenhall the local bus service would be via The Broadway, Silver End and the directly to either Witham or Braintree via Cressing Road, thereby missing Rivenhall entirely.
- iv. RPFA 'Fun Day'.
The Clerk is collating information to be displayed at this event and requested Members to let him have any relevant documents including training attendance certificates issue by EALC.
- v. Network Rail parking on verges in Oak Road/Henry Dixon Road.
Problems arise when Network Rail vehicles are parked on the footway and verge between the Railway Bridge and the Council's notice board. **It was agreed** that

the Clerk contact Network Rail requesting their co-operation in exploring alternative vehicle parking arrangements.

- vi. Possible update re safety improvement of A12 junction with Oak Road.
There was nothing further to report other than that in the Government's Highways Expenditure proposals recently announced, there was no mention of any improvement work to the A12.
- vii. County Highway maintenance.
Various potholes within the parish still require reinstatement.
Both the zebra crossing beacon post in Church Road and the keep left post in Henry Dixon Road still await reinstatement.
- viii. General maintenance.
The Council's Maintenance Contractor was requested to give attention to the following:
 - Hedges along Henry Dixon Road and the slopes and steps leading to the A12
 - Clean the area near the Notice Board in Henry Dixon Road
 - Continue painting the posts around the Village Green and re-proofing the seats
 - Grass seeding the verge along Rickstones Road below Stoverns Hall Farm
 - Inspecting damage to cable close to telegraph post on the small Village Green area and make safe if possible.
- ix. EALC:
Training Course: Chairman's Day 3, 11th September 2013. None to attend.

777.. Planning Matters:

New Applications:

13/00704/FUL: Erection of front extension - 27 Oak Road, Rivenhall End.

Members raised no objection to this application.

Planning Results:

There were no planning results to report at this meeting.

Planning Appeal:

There was no further information to report at this meeting.

778.. Ongoing Planning Issues:

- i. Local Development Framework.
The next LDF Sub-Committee meeting is scheduled for 11th July 2013.
- ii. Rivenhall Airfield.
There was nothing further to report at this meeting.
- iii. ECC Waste Development.
There was nothing further to report at this meeting.
- iv. ECC Minerals Local Plan.
There was nothing further to report at this meeting.
- v. Braintree District Local Highways Panel.
The next Panel meeting is scheduled for 4th July 2013.

779.. Correspondence received since the date of the agenda.

RCCE 2013 Annual General Meeting on 10th July 2013 at Writtle College, commencing at 7.30pm. The Chairman (Cllr. Abbott) to attend if requested by RCCE.

780.. 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.

905	J.E. Abbott	£575.00	Chairman's allowance 2013/14
906	Mrs. M. Haines	£72.76	Bedding plants
907	Kempco Ltd	£3.00	Photocopying plans
908	HM Revenue & Customs	£169.00	PAYE April/June 2013
909	E.A.L.C.	£30.50	Publications re 'Fun Day'
910	The Henry Dixon Hall Charity	£12.50	Hall Hire
911	R.C.C.E.	£66.00	Subscription 2013/14
912	K.P. Taylor	£310.79	Salary/expenses June 2013
913	A. Walsh	£377.50	Maintenance June 2013

781.. Information exchange and items for the next agenda.

- No progress with regard to re-opening of the Post Office.
- Members remarked on the good workmanship relative to the rebuilt wall at the Village Hall.
- Resulting from the broken water main small stones have been washed onto the footway along Rickstones Road. If Members are approached by local residents regarding this, then any problem should be reported to the BDC Clean Team.
- The new footbridge at Motts Lane Railway Crossing is to be installed on Christmas Day 2013.

782.. Dates of future meetings:

Tuesdays 6th August in Rivenhall Village Hall, and 3rd September in The Henry Dixon Hall, both commencing promptly at 20.00 hours.

Items for the August meeting to the Clerk by 26th July at the latest.

783.. Closure.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21.13 hours.

Signed: Date:

CHAIRMAN