

**RIVENHALL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD 3RD SEPTEMBER 2013.**

Present: Cllrs. Abbott, Bills, Wright, Prime and Clark.

In the Chair: Cllr. Abbott.

Also present: Parish Clerk and 7 members of the public.

796.. To receive apologies for absence.

An apology was received from Cllr. Turner who was on holiday and from Cllr. Brailey who was unwell.

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

Cllr. Abbott declared a non-pecuniary interest in items 800(i) as a Member of Essex County Council.

798.. To approve and sign the Minutes of the meeting held on 6th August 2013.

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

799.. Public Forum for 10 minutes.

The following matters were brought to the attention of Members:

- Problems with all-day parking in the lay-by at Henry Dixon Road - Next agenda.
- Parking at the Witham end of Rickstones Road (within Rivenhall).
- Repairs to footway along Rickstones Road, below Stoverns Hall Farm - ECC indicate this to be done by end of September 2013.

800.. Matters for Discussion.

- i. Tarecroft Wood - possible freehold transfer.
Progress is being made regarding the compilation of a business case for presentation to ECC; also letters to local organisations who might well be interested in working with the PC to manage the woodland have been sent. A copy of the draft business case to be included with the next agenda.
- ii. A12/Oak Road junction.
No further information has been received other than that included in the Clerk's Report for July/August.
- iii. Electoral review of BDC.
Members agreed the Chairman's and Clerk's representations to the LG BCE.
- iv. Parking revisions along Church Road.
Advert in local press on 28th August 2013.
Additional publicity throughout the Parish to be issued when the revisions have actually been approved.
- v. Parking at the Oak Road Recycling Site.
Cllr. Bills has continued monitoring the 'all-day' parking at this site. Monitoring of this site and the lay-by in Henry Dixon Road will continue and the matter will be visited again early in 2014 for a submission to the NEPP.
- vi. Proposed Church Road public footpath extension.
Request submitted to ECC.
- vii. ECC part night street lighting.
The switch off from midnight until 05.00 was due to commence on Sunday 1st September 2013, only the beacons and streetlights at the Church Road zebra crossing remain lit during this time. Members agreed to re-submit a request that their original list of exemptions be reconsidered.
- viii. County Highway maintenance.
 - ECC indicate that all outstanding repairs within Rivenhall should be completed by the end of September 2013, with the exception of the

- demolished light at the Henry Dixon Road pedestrian refuge of which there is no mention.
- During the recent heavy rainfall the drains along Rickstones Road could not cope with the amount of water and part of the verge has again been eroded away.
- ix. General maintenance.
- (a) Application for trees from the Woodland Trust.
An application for a free pack, value £420.00, has been lodged with the Woodland Trust for use as hedging along Oak Road, Rivenhall End.
 - (b) Appreciation of planting in Rivenhall End.
An email expressing thanks for the planting in Rivenhall End has been received and acknowledged.
 - (c) The maintenance contractor will be requested to paint/preserve the seat in the bus shelter in Rickstones Road, trim some tree branches on the Oak Triangle.
 - (d) The Chairman will make some enquiries regarding possible Tree Preservation Orders for the Oak Trees on the Village Green.
- x. Trustees of the Henry Dixon Hall Charity - re-election of R. Turner
Proposed by Cllr. Clark, seconded by Cllr. Prime and unanimously agreed that Cllr. Turner be re-elected.
- xi. ECC 'Park & Ride' fare review.
ECC has notified a revision of the Park and Ride fares with effect from 21st October 2013.

801.. **Planning Matters:**

New Applications:

There were no new applications to consider at this meeting.

Planning Results:

There were no planning results to report at his meeting.

Planning Appeals:

There was nothing to report at this meeting.

802.. **Ongoing Planning Issues:**

- i. Revision of The Rivenhall Parish Plan.
Cllr. Prime indicated that his recommendations should be ready for consideration at the November 2013 meeting.
- ii. Local Development Framework. Little Braxted Lane as a protected lane.
It was agreed that further PC representation should be made during the period of engagement.
- iii. Rivenhall Airfield.
Nothing further to report.
- iv. ECC Waste Development.
Nothing further to report.
- iv. ECC Minerals Local Plan.
BDC has responded favourably to the suggested joint approach with RPC although it may be preferable to be separately represented at the Examination in Public expected to commence 29th October in Chelmsford so that 2 representatives could be present rather than one.
- v. Braintree District Local Highways Panel.
 - Despite an initial officer rejection, the Chairman will proceed with a submission for the extension of the 30mph speed limit in Church Road together with the introduction of a 40mph 'buffer zone'.

- There were no up-dates regarding the Rivenhall schemes, however matters may be further discussed at the next Panel meeting on 3rd October 2013.

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

- Grant request on behalf of the Essex Air Ambulance. Next agenda
- Details received of the EALC AGM on 26th September 2013. Cllr. Prime to attend.
- A12/Henry Dixon Road pump failure - Quote the Highways Agency: *"...looking to get a new secondary pump installed as soon as possible to replace the temporary pump...working to identify new pump options and approve costs for this...No date for the installation of a new pump but the temporary pump will remain in place until the new permanent one is achieved."* Next agenda.

804.. Finance matters:

To agree accounts for payment.

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

918	Kempco Ltd	£9.79	Stationary/printing August 2013.
919	K.P. Taylor	£266.94	Salary/expenses August 2013.
920	A. Walsh	£397.50	Maintenance August 2013.

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

- Cllr. Prime requested that Members notify the Millennium Committee of any new residents known to them who were aged 70+.

806.. Dates of future meetings:

Tuesdays 1st October and 5th November in Rivenhall Village Hall, both commencing promptly at 20.00 hours.

Items for the October meeting to the Clerk by 23rd. September at the latest.

807.. Closure.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 20.56 hours.

Signed:

CHAIRMAN

Date: