

**RIVENHALL PARISH COUNCIL
DRAFT MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD 2 AUGUST 2016**

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

In the Chair: Cllr. Abbott

Also present: Parish Clerk and 9 members of the public.

1306. To receive any apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllr. Anderson and BDC Cllr. Bowers.

1307. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests relating to matters on this Agenda.

Cllr. Abbott declared non-pecuniary interests in all matters relating to ECC and the BDLHP, also a pecuniary interest re item 1311 (16/01124/FUL.)

1308. To approve and sign the Minutes of the meeting held on 5 July 2016.

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

1309. Public Forum for 10 minutes.

The following matters were brought to the attention of members:

- The deterioration of the telegraph pole at junction of Church Road and Rickstones Road
- Overgrowth along the A12 cycleway
- Demolition of Tusser Close garages and provision of parking spaces.

1310. Matters for Discussion.

i. Parking restrictions - Rivenhall estate roads.

The NEPP require a full application be made before any initial action and consultation can be contemplated.

Proposed by Cllr. Turner, seconded by Cllr. Wright and unanimously agreed that Greenfields be requested to provide additional car parking spaces on this main estate.

ii. ECC Highways maintenance.

- (a) The damaged bus sign and road sign will be replaced by ECC in due course.
- (b) The steps from Church Road up to the bungalows have become a health and safety issue and the Chairman will pursue this with Greenfields.
- (c) The roadside verge on Rickstones Road opposite Rectory Lane requires cutting back and the Maintenance Contractor will be requested to undertake this work. The roadside verge at the bottom of Stoverns Hill, at the end of the footpath also requires cutting back and BDC will be requested to undertake this work.
- (d) The Chairman has again reported the appalling condition of the southern A12 slip, including the dangerous potholes, at Rivenhall End to Highways England

iii. General maintenance.

- (a) The probable theft of all the planters in Rivenhall End will be reported to the police and consideration will be given at the

Precept Meeting for the provision of funds to securely replace these planters in 2017/18.

- (b) The Maintenance Contractor will be requested to replace the damaged white post on the Village Green.

1311. Planning Matters:

New Applications:

16/01155/FUL: Erection of two storey rear extension - 16 Tusser Close.

Proposed by Cllr. Turner, seconded by Cllr. Clark and agreed by a vote of 3 to 2 with 1 abstention that no objection be raised to this application although there was a concern regarding the closeness of the site boundary in relation to the footing for the extension.

16/01124/FUL: Erection of two storey side extension, loft conversion and detached garage - 3 Waterfall Cottages, Park Road.

Before any discussion Cllr. Abbott left the meeting and Cllr. Wright took the Chair.

Following detailed input by members of the public and a lengthy discussion, it was **proposed by Cllr. Bills, seconded by Cllr. Wright and agreed by a vote of 3 to 2 with 1 abstention** that this application should be refused. Waterfall Cottages are historic terraced buildings in a countryside location and, therefore, this application is a totally inappropriate development; a view supported by local residents who attended the Parish Council meeting.

16/01217/ADV: Replacement of sign with larger illuminated sign - Foremost House, Waterside Business Park, Eastways, Witham.

No planning documents were to hand at the time of the meeting, therefore, it was agreed that this application will be dealt with via internal circulation before the expiry date of 30 August.

Planning Results:

There were no planning results to be reported at this meeting.

Planning Appeals:

There were no new planning appeals to be reported at this meeting.

1312. Ongoing Planning Issues:

- i. A12 widening.
The Chairman has received, and accepted, on behalf of the Parish Council, an invitation to become a member of the A12 Chelmsford to A120 Widening Community Forum. The first meeting is scheduled for 11 August at 18.30 with a meeting prior to that at 17.30 to discuss ongoing local concerns.
- ii. BDC Local Plan.
Consultation continues. A complete set of documents will be available for inspection at the September meeting.
It was agreed to support the fact of there being no new housing site allocations within the parish.
- iii. Rivenhall Airfield - Bradwell Quarry.
There was nothing to report at this meeting.
- iv. Rivenhall Airfield - Waste Incinerator.

In accordance with E. A. procedures and Government guidance, the E. A. issued a second Schedule 5 Notice on 4 July requiring the applicant to provide them with further information to address the outstanding issues. They also asked the applicant a number of new questions. The deadline for a response to the second Notice is 4 August 2016. The Notice has been placed on their Public Register.

Once the E. A. has fully reviewed the response to the second Schedule 5 Notice, they will be in a position to make a decision on the application.

v. Proposed Colemans Farm Quarry.

Two of the recent applications re the original conditions have been refused by ECC, they are:

Condition 18 - Sign (No left turn on exit at Little Braxted Lane)

Condition 21 - Highway Improvements.

The following applications have been received by ECC relative to planning conditions imposed:

Condition 6 - Plant details

Condition 42 - Soil movement scheme

Condition 43 - Scheme for Machine Movements

Condition 47 - Phased plan for soil types, bunds etc.

It **was agreed** that, given the limited response timetable, having perused these applications the Chairman's relevant observations will be circulated prior to being sent to ECC.

vi. Braintree District Local Highways Panel.

a. 7.5T weight restriction, Oak Road - anticipated completion 3rd quarter 2016/17. ECC meeting with objector.

b. Extended 30mph limit along Church Road - anticipated completion 3rd quarter 2016/17. Objection from Police - Cabinet Member at ECC to consider course of action.

c. Rectory Lane - Quiet Lane status approved - anticipated completion 2017/18. Following discussion with ECC, a separate new bid for stopping up one end of the lane will need to be submitted.

Proposed by Cllr. Wright, seconded by Cllr. Turner and unanimously agreed that a bid be submitted by the Chairman for Rectory Lane to be blocked to through traffic at the junction with Forest Road and at the entrance to the first property going north.

1313. Correspondence received since the date of this Agenda.

There was no additional correspondence.

1314. Reports from PC Representatives.

There were no reports for this meeting.

1315. 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.

1109	J. E. Abbott	£714.96	Chairman's Allowance 2016/17 + planting
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1110	Henry Dixon Hall Charity	£6.25	Hall hire
1111	K. P. Taylor	£316.70	Salary/expenses July '16
1112	A. Walsh	£54.00	Litter picking July '16
1113	P. G. Groundcare	£431.40	Maintenance July '16

1316. Information exchange and items for the June Agenda.

- * The smaller Village Green received 1 cut in both June and July.
- * The RPPFA are in early discussions regarding a possible new building at the rear of the Village Hall.

1317. 10 Minutes Public Feedback - if necessary.

- * It was reported that some residents are aware of Greenfields' programme for the demolition of the garages off Tusser Close.

1318. Dates of future meetings:

Tuesdays 6 September 2016 in The Henry Dixon Hall, and 4 October 2016 in Rivenhall Village Hall, both commencing promptly at 20.00 hours.

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

1319. Closure.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 22.00 hours.

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

CHAIRMAN