

**RIVENHALL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD 4th JUNE 2013.**

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

In the Chair: Cllr. Abbott

Also present: Parish Clerk and 4 members of the public.

760.. To receive apologies for absence.

An apology was received from Cllr. Prime who was on holiday.

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

Cllr. Abbott declared a Non-Pecuniary Interest at item 764(ii) as a County Councillor and Cllr. Wright declared the same at item 768 as he is employed by the Council's Insurers.

762.. To approve and sign the Minutes of the meeting held on 7th May 2013.

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

763.. Public Forum for 10 minutes.

The following matters were brought to the attention of Members:

- Resurfacing of Rickstones Road - see under item 764(iii).
- Flooding in Henry Dixon Road - see under item 764(iii).
- A supply of recycling bags is available at Oak Stores.

764.. Matters for Discussion.

i. Parking restriction at the Recycling Site, Oak Road.

It is reported, and figures prove, that vehicles are being parked all day mid-week in the recycling site in Oak Road and in the lay-by in Henry Dixon Road. Also that vehicle parking in Oak Road close by Oak Barn is causing problems during peak traffic times. **Proposed by Cllr. Wright, seconded by Cllr. Bills and unanimously agreed** that the Clerk contact the NEPP requesting consideration for a parking restriction of one hour duration be sought for both the recycling site and Henry Dixon Road lay-by and for action to be taken to alleviate the Oak Road problem.

ii. Tarecroft Wood - possible freehold transfer.

Following from a lengthy discussion it was **proposed by Cllr. Abbott, seconded by Cllr. Wright and agreed by a vote of 4 with 1 against** that the Council once again indicate to ECC an interest in obtaining the freehold transfer of this woodland and requesting details of what action is next to be taken on either side. Also a 2nd quotation is to be obtained for the possible repair/replacement of the rabbit fence surrounding the wood.

iii. County Highway maintenance.

ECC report that Oak/Rickstones Roads potholes require underground utility status confirmation prior to repairs; no timetable for commencement.

Rickstones Road has been resurfaced and road chippings swept from the roadway but not the footways.

There is a projecting concrete slab near the first drain coming from Rivenhall up towards Stoverns Hall Farm, which has caused vehicle damage. This will be reported to ECC.

iv. General maintenance.

The Village Sign on the Village Green has been inspected and passed as safe.

It was reported that Mr. Dennis Gibbons, who had previously undertaken work on behalf of the Council in and around the parish had just recently died.

v. EALC: Conference & AGM 26th September 2013. Cllr. Prime is to be asked to attend.

Roles & Responsibilities Course 3rd July 2013. }
 Budget & Precept Course 10th July 2013. } None to attend.
 Chairman's Day (2) 24th July 2013. }

765.. Planning Matters:

New Applications:

Maldon DC 13/00036/FUL: Solar farm at Little Braxted Hall.

It was reported that MDC Officer's were recommending refusal of this application.

Planning Results:

12/01495/FUL: Continued use of site for storage and distribution of security and safety fencing, plant, machinery and equipment - Former North Side BP Filling Station, London Road.

Application withdrawn.

12/01658/FUL: Erection of building - Allshots farm, Woodhouse Lane, Kelvedon.

Application granted.

12/00256/FUL: Change of use of agricultural barn/granary to be used in connection with veterinary surgery etc. - Hoo Hall.

Application granted.

Planning Appeal:

There was nothing to report.

766.. Ongoing Planning Issues:

i. Local Development Framework.

From the meeting of the LDF Sub-Committee on Thursday 30th May 2013:

1. To not allocate Burghey Brook Farm as an employment site.
2. To not include the Old Rectory site, Rectory Lane within the development boundary and to not allocate it as a residential site of 10 or more dwellings.
3. To not allocate any other alternative developer proposed sites within Rivenhall and Rivenhall End.
4. To approve the Draft Site Allocations and Development Management inset map for Rivenhall.
5. To approve the Draft Site Allocations and Development Management inset map for Rivenhall End subject to removal of 'informal recreation' on the former site at Oak Road/Henry Dixon Road and the removal of 'Henry Dixon Hall' as a defined community use on the map (note: it remains protected by policy for that purpose), and addition of a cycle/pedestrian path between Rivenhall End and Witham adjacent to the A12.
6. The request of the Parish Council that Little Braxted Lane be designated a Protected Lane was not supported by BDC. The same request for Rectory Lane was supported. Final decisions on these requests will be made at a later BDC LDF Panel meeting.

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.

All three Rivenhall projects continue to be on track and the chairman has requested updates for each. The next Panel meeting is on 4th July 2013.

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

- An invitation was received from RPFA for the Council to have a 'presence' at the Fun Day on 20th July 2013 in the Village hall.
Proposed by Cllr. Wright, seconded by Cllr. Bills and agreed by a vote of 5 with 1 abstention that this invitation be accepted.

768.. Finance matters:

To agree accounts for payment.

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

898	Aon UK Ltd	£1083.11	Renewal premium 2013/14
899	EALC	£67.00	Course fee 27/06/13 (D. Clark)
900	SLCC	£86.00	Clerk's subscription 2013/14
901	Kempco Ltd	£14.15	Printing/laminating
902	RPFA	£30.00	Hall Hire July & August 2013.
903	K. P. Taylor	£353.53	Salary/expenses May 2013.
904	A. Walsh	£361.00	Maintenance May 2013.

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

- Network Rail parking on the footway and verge in Henry Dixon Road/Oak Road to be on the next agenda.
- The Chairman will request that the bottle bank at the former Fox PH be emptied.
- No reports of Ash Die Back have been received.
- There is to be a Greenfields estate inspection on 14th June 2013.

779.. Dates of future meetings:

Tuesdays 2nd July and 6th August both in Rivenhall Village Hall, commencing promptly at 20.00 hours.

Items for the July meeting to the Clerk by 21st June at the latest.

771.. Closure.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21.30hours.

Signed: Date:

CHAIRMAN