

Little Oakley Parish Council

Clerk: Vikki Howard 3, Rectory Road, Little Oakley, Harwich, Essex. CO12 5JX

Minutes of the meeting held on 22nd July 2015

Present: Cllr Howard (Chairman & District), Cllr Steer, Cllr Griffiths, Cllr Griggs, Cllr Hunnaball and Cllr Churchwood

15/083 Apologies of Absence

There were apologies from Cllr Jackson, Cllr Attrill and Cllr Cullen (who was attending a TDALC meeting). County Councillor Erskine also sent apologies.

15/084 Declaration of Pecuniary and Non Pecuniary Interests

Cllr Howard declared a DPI for item 15/094 - Finance

15/085 Signing of the minutes from 17th June 2015

It was **Resolved** that the minutes from 17th June were a true and accurate record.

Proposed Cllr Steer

Seconded Cllr Hunnaball

All agreed

15/086 Financial Regulations

The financial Regulations were put forward by the working party. It was **Resolved** to adopt the Financial Regulations.

Proposed Cllr Griffiths

Seconded Cllr Hunnaball

All agreed

15/087 GPC (General Power of Competence)

Little Oakley Parish Council declared its eligibility to adopt the General Power of Competence. This will be put on the website.

Proposed Cllr Hunnaball

Seconded Cllr Griffiths

All Agreed

15/088 Dates for 2016 meetings

The dates for 2016 were approved.

Proposed Cllr Churchwood

Seconded Cllr Steer

All Agreed

15/089 Playground Inspection Company

It was **Resolved** to renew with Playground Inspection Company for quarterly reports (including the annual inspection report)

Proposed Cllr Griffiths

Seconded Cllr Steer

All Agreed

14/090 Playground Resurfacing

The councillors listened to the quotes obtained by the clerk for the resurfacing of the Playground and a new roundabout. The clerk had received quotes from:

Playquip, Wicksteed and Hags SMP.

After a discussion it was **Resolved** that the Parish Council would go with the Wicksteed Quote as it made sense to get the roundabout and the resurfacing from the same company. As the roundabout that was preferable was from Wicksteed the clerk was asked if she could negotiate a cheaper price for the resurfacing. It was further **Resolved** to apply to Veolia Funding for a grant for the work.

Proposed Cllr Churchwood

Seconded Cllr Griggs

All Agreed

15/091 Playground Letter

Cllr Hunnaball reported that he had received several letters from the children of Two Village School regarding the playground and that they would like some equipment purchased for older children.

It was Resolved that the clerk would write to the children and explain that the playground is for younger children, but the Chairman – Cllr Howard – said that we could perhaps look at something else in the next few years.

It was further Resolved that the clerk would write to the deputy head to enquire about any spare land.

Proposed Cllr Griffiths

Seconded Cllr Griggs

All Agreed

15/092 Planning

Applications:

15/00980/FUL - Mr & Mrs Lindsey - 87 Rectory Road Little Oakley
Proposed two storey rear extension to provide family room with bedroom over and external cladding to building

It was **Resolved** to remain neutral on this application

Proposed Cllr Griggs

Seconded Cllr Churchwood

Cllr Griffiths read out the determinations

15/00646/OUT – Mr and Mrs Cullen - Erection of eight dwellings.
Land South East of Harwich Road Little Oakley – Refusal - Outline

15/00552/FUL - Mr Benedict Briscoe - Single storey rear extension.
41 Harwich Road Little Oakley – Approval - Full

15/093 Urgent Matters

There were none

15/094

Finance

See appendix 1

Proposed Cllr Churchwood

Seconded Cllr Hunnaball

All Agreed

15/095

Report by District Councillor Tom Howard

District Councillor Howard reported the following:

Mayes Lane - he had followed up on the corner of Mayes lane about grass cutting and had had it put back on the rota.

Local Plan – There will be a consultation later in the year (autumn). There had also been a new housing needs study done, which meant we needed fewer houses in Tendring than originally specified.

15/096

Report by County Councillor Erskine

There was no report

15/097

Public Speaking

There was none

15/083

Items for next agenda and Updates/Correspondence/information only

Dog Bins

Appointing members to the Finance Committee