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#### Minutes of the meeting held on 11th November 2015

**Clirs Present:** Clir Howard (Chair and District Clir), Clir Cullen (Vice Chair), Clir Steer, Clir Griffiths, Clir Griggs, Clir Jackson, Clir Hunnaball and Clir Churchwood

Also present County Councillor Erskine

#### 15/139 Apologies of Absence

There were apologies from Cllr Attrill

#### 15/140 Declaration of Pecuniary and Non Pecuniary Interests

Cllr Howard declared a pecuniary interest in item 15/150 - Finance

#### 15/141 Signing of the minutes from 7th October 2015

It was **Resolved** that the minutes from the meeting held on October 7<sup>th</sup> were true and accurate.

**Proposed:** Cllr Steer **Seconded:** Cllr Cullen

#### 15/142 Police Report

There was no police report

#### 15/143 Correspondence and Updates

#### Sausage throwing

Cllr Howard said he attended the breakfast held at the Guild Hall by the Mayor of Harwich before attending the Sausage throwing competition held by CAMRA.

#### **Remembrance Service**

Cllr Howard reported that the Remembrance service was very well attended

#### Village field

Cllr Cullen said there was no further news at this time.

#### **Skip Business and Fires**

Cllr Churchwood reported that there has been no further fires at the site.

#### **Christmas menu**

The clerk reminded Cllrs to get their Christmas menu choices to her as soon as possible.

#### Bin keys

Clerk had received two new bin keys (same size). We are waiting to hear if they fit the bin in the playground.

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#### **Light reported**

There had been a couple LED light reported out in Harwich Road. These had been fixed. It is thought the cause of this was down to UK Power Network. Cllr Howard to keep a track of things and write to UK power network once we receive a report from A&J lighting.

Proposed: Cllr Hunnaball Seconded Cllr Griggs

#### **Playground Inspection Report**

Cllr Hunnaball and Cllr Churchwood would like a copy of the report sent to them.

#### 15/144 Playground Bench

The clerk produced costings to replace the bench in the playground. It was **Resolved** not to replace the bench, but to replace the rotten slats. Cllr Churchwood offered to make some enquiries in order to achieve this.

**Proposed:** Cllr Churchwood **Seconded:** Cllr Cullen

#### 15/145 TSB

It was Resolved to Close the TSB Account.

**Proposed:** Cllr Griggs **Seconded:** Cllr Griffiths

#### 15/146 Scanning of the minute books

It was **Resolved** that the clerk will count the pages in the minute books and get a more accurate costing for the next meeting.

Proposed: Cllr Hunnaball Seconded: Cllr Cullen

#### 15/147 Training Courses for 2016

The clerk had distributed the EALC courses for 2016.

#### 15/148 Urgent Matters

There were none

#### 15/149 Planning

#### **Determination**

15/01246/FUL Mr K Two storey side 112 Rectory Road Approval - Full Panrucker extension. Little Oakley 14.10.2015

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#### 15/150 Finance

It was **Resolved** to accept the finance report and to approve payments for the month.

**Proposed:** Cllr Cullen **Seconded:** Cllr Jackson

#### 15/151 Report by District Councillor Tom Howard

#### Part night lighting

Cllr Howard reported that this was being discussed at the next TDC Full Council and more would be known after that.

#### **Devolution**

There had been no more progress on the matter of Devolution

#### **Broadband**

Cllr Howard said that he now sits on the Superfast Essex Broadband steering group. He is looking at broadband across the District. He also said that the Rural Infrastructure Working Party (of which he is chair) will also be looking at broadband.

#### Bin bags

The issue of Black Bin bags is due to go to Cabinet on Friday, so more will be known after that.

#### 15/152 Report by County Councillor Erskine

Essex County Council are offering to record Parish and Town Council meetings.

#### 15/153 Public Speaking

There was none

### 15/154 Items for next agenda and Updates/Correspondence/information only

There were none

#### 15/155 Exclusion of Press and Public

The council **Resolved** to exclude the press and public In accordance with Paragraph 1 (2) of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960

**Proposed:** Cllr Griffiths **Seconded:** Cllr Cullen

#### 15/156 Response to letter

The minutes of this item is not available to the public and press and will be sent to Councillors separately.

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#### Meeting closed 20:33

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#### **Summary**

TSB		
Cheque Account Balance from 1st September		£1259.66
2015		
Plus Income to TSB cheque account (transfer)		£1000.00
Less cashed cheques:		
Unity Trust Bank		£2000.00
	Total	£2000.00
Less Direct Debits:		£0.00
	Total	£0.00
Balance in TSB cheque account as of 30 <sup>th</sup>		
September 2015		£259.66
Income to TSB Savings Account		£0.00
Balance in TSB Savings Account as of 30 <sup>th</sup>		
September 2015		£857.98
Less Uncashed Cheques Listed Below		0.00
<b>TSB Overall Balance</b> as of 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2015		£1117.64

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Unity Trust		
Cheque Account balance - 1st October 2015		£2645.82
Less Payments:		_
Accent Stationers		£22.46
Hire of Hall		£20.00
Essex Pension Fund		£65.36
TDC Election Costs		£75.00
PKF LittleJohn (Audit)		£120.00
Clerks expenses (BT) June – Sept & Sept - Dec SSE		£168.22
A & J Lighting		£41.26
SSE		£55.29
Essex Pension Fund		£37.58
Clerks Wages		£210.07
	Total	£815.24

Income to Unity Cheque Account VAT Refund		£746.18
	Total	£746.18
Balance in Unity Cheque Account - 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2015		£2576.76
Income to Unity Savings Account TDC Precept		£6500.00
Money out of Savings account (transfer)		£0.00
Total in Unity Savings Account		£8000.37
Unity Overall balance		£10577.13

Payments for approval this month

Hire of Hall	£20.00
Air Ambulance	£120.00
CAB	£120.00
Ramsey Churchyard Fund	£120.00
Andrew James Maintenance	£75.00
Play Inspection Company	£65.99
Clerk expenses (Wreath)	£35.00
A & J Lighting – Direct Debit	£41.26
SSE – Direct Debit	£58.59
Outgoing Total	£655.84