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Minutes of the meeting held on 12th April 2017

Present: Cllr Cullen (Vice Chairman), Cllr Griffiths, Cllr Hunnaball, Cllr Griggs, Cllr Attrill, and Cllr Steer

Also present: District Cllr Bush, County Cllr Erskine

Start time 19:05

Vice Chairman Cllr Cullen chaired the meeting, Cllr Griffiths took the minutes.

17/027 Apologies of Absence None

17/028 Exclusion of Press & Public for item 17/029

It was resolved to move items 17/209 and 17/030 to the end of the meeting when District Cllr Bush and County Cllr Erskine had left the meeting, rather than wait outside.

Proposed: Cllr Cullen Seconded: Cllr Attrill

17/031 Declaration of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests None.

17/032 Signing the Minutes

To Approve the minutes from the meeting held on 8th March 2017. Cllr Attrill asked the word 'cleaning' be changed to 'checking' the bus shelters in item 17/017. This was agreed and Cllr Cullen changed the word 'cleaning to 'checking'.

Proposed: Cllr Attrill **Seconded:** Cllr Hunnaball

17/033 Dog Waste Bins

Cllr Attrill said that dog waste could be put in the normal litter bins provided it was wrapped up. He had made a survey of the parish dog waste & litter bins and they totalled 9, which should be enough, but they were not evenly distributed around the village. Six in the Cloverwood Stores area (one by Cloverwood Stores, one by both bus stops, one at the entrance drive to the Memorial Hall, one by the village sign) and 3 in the Cherry Tree Pub, Rectory Road area. (Triangle Point, Old Post Office bus stop) Suggested that the one by the village sign be moved to the exit from the foot path at Foulton Hall or a new one obtained for this point. Cllr Cullen said he had no problem with it being on his land.

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Proposed: Cllr Attrill **Seconded:** Cllr Griggs

17/034 LOFC path by playground entrance

Cllr Griffiths said he had talked to James Martin about this, Mr Martin said that the Contractor doing the first part of the work ran out to time to complete this due to rain. It was discussed at the last LOFC meeting and it will be done in the next tranche of work due to start shortly as the club finished top of the league and will be promoted. Cllr Griffiths said he had checked the fence around the playground and there was no damage to it at present.

17/035 Urgent Matters

None

17/036 Finance

Cllr Griffiths went through the finance report, the item mention in the March Expenditure as Service Charge is the Bank Charges for the last 3 months. Cllr Griffiths to talk Vikki Howard as what changes need to be made to our Bank account.

Proposed: Cllr Griggs **Seconded:** Cllr Steer

17/037 Planning

17/0085/FUL- Conversion of garage store into habitable room. Mr & Mrs Roots, 4 Aspen Way, Little Oakley.

Neutral

Proposed: Cllr Hunnaball **Seconded:** Cllr Griggs

17/00529/FUL- proposed side extension Mr & Mrs Martin, 47 Harwich Road, Little Oakley

Neutral

Proposed: Cllr Cullen Seconded: Cllr Hunnaball

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Determinations

16/02084/OUT- Alteration of one dwelling

16/02084/OUT- Alteration of one dwelling and erection of 5 no. dwellings (bungalows) Mr T. Palmby, 21 Mayes Lane, Ramsey.

TDC committee decision. Many caveats, we need to monitor that they are being adhered to.

17/037 Report by District Councillor Mike Bush

The grass on the Oakridge foot path has been reported to TDC and is being dealt with. The large pot hole in Lodge Road has been reported but not dealt with at present. The pot hole in Oak Ridge has been reported.

The human waste on the foot path across the field is very difficult to look into, had it occurred again.

17/038 Report by County Councillor Erskine

Rectory Road the loose kerb stone ongoing, it should be resolved next year. EEC have a check list of what highways work is being carried out this financial year, it is on their web site. www.essex.gov.uk/surfacing

District Cllr Bush & County Council Erskine left the room.

17/039 Public Speaking

None

District Cllr Bush & County Council Erskine left the room.

17/028 Resignation of the Clerk

It was agreed to accept the resignation of the Clerk. Cllr Cullen to write a letter to thank her for her work on behalf of the council.

Proposed: Cllr Attrill

Seconded: Cllr Hunnaball

EALC to be approached to find a locum clerk and to advise us on the procedure for finding a replacement, including what happen to our 'competent status' if the new clerk is not qualified to that level.

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17/029 Resignation of Councillors

The resignation of councillors Tracy Churchwood, Tom Howard and Tanya Jewell was accepted. Cllr Cullen to write a letter to each of them to thank them for their work on behalf of the council.

Proposed: Cllr Griggs **Seconded:** Cllr Hunnaball

17/040 Items for next agenda and Updates/Correspondence/information only. None at this time

The meeting closed at 20.42