

LITTLE OAKLEY PARISH COUNCIL

littleoakleypc@gmail.com

Minutes of the Parish Meeting held on 12 July 2017

Present: Cllr Cullen, Cllr Hunnaball, Cllr Attrill, Cllr Griggs

Also Present: District Cllr Bush. County Councillor Erskine, Members of the Public

Start Time 19:00

The Meeting was Chaired by Cllr Cullen

| | |
|---------------|--|
| 17/071 | Apologies for Absence Apologies were received from Cllr Griffiths and Cllr Steer |
| 17/072 | Declaration of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interest No interests were declared |
| 17/073 | Signing of Previous Minutes The Minutes from the previous meeting held 14 th June 2017 were accepted by all and signed by Cllr Cullen. Proposed: Cllr Griggs Seconded: Cllr Attrill |
| 17/074 | Matters Arising from Previous Minutes Bus Shelters – After the last meeting it was discovered that the bus shelter opposite the one on the corner of Harwich Road and Mayes Lane belonged to Ramsey PC and not Little Oakley. Adrian Summons has also been contacted and he advised that the wood from the old shelters would be taken away when the new ones were done and there was no cost for this. After a discussion about which shelters were to be replaced it was decided that the one at the bottom of Seaview Avenue and the one opposite Cloverwood on the corner of Harwich Road and Mayes Lane would be replaced. They are to be replaced with shelters similar to the one opposite Seaview Avenue which is wooden and includes a seat. Jeanette will contact Adrian and arrange. |
| 17/075 | Urgent Matters There were no urgent matters |
| 17/076 | Finance Cllr Griffiths had sent in the Finance Report for July |
| 17/077 | Planning One application was received which is for a new detached garage at 1 Beech Grove, Little Oakley (Ref 17/00782/FUL). Cllr Attrill has looked at the plans and advised that the original garage is now an extension to the house. The |

| | |
|---------------|---|
| | <p>houses in the area are all open plan at the front and by adding a detached garage this will be out of keeping with the other properties in the cul-de-sac. The position of the detached garage will give an almost brick wall look to the site. A member of the public who lives in the area attended and their concerns were the same. It was recommended that the Parish Council objected to the plan and a vote was taken. All agreed.</p> <p>Cllr Attrill will email the objection to TDC.</p> <p>Determinations – there was one determination for ramped access to 25 Harwich Road.</p> |
| 17/078 | <p>Little Oakley Football Club</p> <p>A notice of variation of use of floodlights has been received. This is due to the promotion of the team to a different league which plays on Friday evenings and not Thursday evenings which was in their original application. This was discussed and all agreed to the change.</p> <p>Proposed: Cllr Attrill</p> <p>Agreed : All Councillors</p> |
| 17/079 | <p>Footpath Problems</p> <p>An email had been received from a member of the public that someone has been using the trees and bushes at the side of the footpath towards the Memorial Club as a toilet leaving behind not only human excrement but toilet roll as well. District Cllr Bush advised in an email that he would forward details to Jon Hamlet at Tendring Environmental so they are aware of this. Other ideas regarding how to deal with this problem which appears to only occur during the summer months are confidential and will appear on a separate page marked Confidential.</p> |
| 17/080 | <p>Correspondence</p> <p>Data Protection - Details about the new regulations regarding data protection which come into force May 2018 have been received. It was felt that this needed to be looked into in more details to see what this would mean for the Parish Council as it may be necessary to appoint a Data Protection Officer or that the Clerk would take on this role.</p> <p>TDC Planning – Details of a local planning exhibition had been forwarded from TDC with the plans also appearing in the local newspaper. Looking at the plans Little Oakley was not included in these therefore it was felt unnecessary to send in a response.</p> <p>Proposed: Cllr Attrill</p> <p>Agreed: All</p> |
| 17/081 | <p>Report by District Councillor Mike Bush</p> <p>District Cllr Bush discussed the proposed changes to the helicopter flight paths from the airfield at Great Oakley. The flight path now took the helicopters from Great Oakley across farms and to the top end of Mayes</p> |

| | |
|----------------------|--|
| | <p>Lane (near the Church), towards the Low Road area of Dovercourt and the Sports Centre (swimming pool) and out to sea. Objections from members of the public have been received. The helicopters would be used if they were unable to use boats to reach the wind farms. The Determination date has also been delayed and deferred to November. However if the dates are changed to November it will need to be determined how it affects the dates on the Application. Due to wildlife surveys still needing to be done the Application is still waiting to be completed. District Cllr Bush mentioned that recently there had been a lot of helicopter activity around the village, some of these were late at night. Helicopters being used were a mix of military and commercial types. At present there has been no confirmation as to which type of helicopters will be being flown. District Cllr Bush will keep the Parish Council updated.</p> <p>At this point of the meeting Cllrs asked District Cllr Bush if he would be prepared to be co-opted onto the Parish Council for a short period of time to help. District Cllr Bush agreed to this as it would only be a temporary co-option. Jeanette will look into this.</p> <p>Hedges- Cllr Bush advised that hedges on Mayes Lane had been cut back. However he had received many complaints regarding the hedge on the corner of the bend opposite the Cherrytree Inn. The hedge has grown to the point where it blocks the view of traffic turning onto Rectory Road. Cllr Cullen suggested he speaks to Roger Pyle at Great Oakley Hall but that due to regulations about birds nesting it may be that nothing can be done until 1st September.</p> <p>Anti-Social Behaviour – There is one case of anti-social behaviour which is ongoing on Mayes Lane. Cllr Bush is in contact with Social Services but there is a procedure that needs to be followed. It was advised that the police were involved and also the RSPCA as animal are also involved.</p> <p>Potholes – Cllr Bush advised these are now being marked up. County Councillor Erskine has reported them but many may not be deep enough to have been marked up. However some potholes may be re-marked if it is thought that the priority for these potholes has changed.</p> |
| <p>17/082</p> | <p>Report by County Councillor Andrew Erskine</p> <p>County Councillor Erskine reported that he had been in a meeting regarding budgets for cutting public rights of way. He found that there is an amount of money available by TDC which may be used to cover the cost of hedge and path trimming. If funds were available to help cover the cost of hedge cutting and path trimming there is a possibility that a second cut could also be done, the local Tendring Rangers would be used to do this cutting/trimming. County Councillor Erskine will look into this further.</p> |

| | |
|---------------|--|
| 17/083 | Public Speaking The planning application for the detached garage had been discussed during the Planning part of the meeting. The recent loss of power was also discussed, although not lasting too long it had been difficult to get in touch with the power company to find out what was happening, at one point the wait was 20 minutes. It was discovered that the fault was due to a faulty cable. Problems with cables occur as these are above ground. |
| 17/084 | Items for next meeting and update Cllr Cullen gave his apologies for the next meeting as he will not be available to attend. |
| | The meeting closed at 20:26 |

LITTLE OAKLEY PARISH COUNCIL

FINANCE REPORT

| | |
|--|------------------|
| Main Account balance – 1st June 2017 | £2907.75 |
| Income to Main Account | £0.00 |
| Transfer from Savings | £0.00 |
| Total Income for June | £2907.75 |
| | |
| Expenditure June 2017 | |
| Ex Clerk Expenses BT | £43.50 |
| Playground Inspection Company Ltd | £63.00 |
| Simply Penguin Web Design | £132.00 |
| Came & Co Insurance | £515.03 |
| Hire of Hall | £20.00 |
| The above 5 items paid in early June due to Bank problems | |
| Accent Stationers | £22.64 |
| Hire of Hall (no invoice yet) | £20.00 |
| SSE D/D (approx.) | £51.33 |
| Mrs J Sands (Administrative Assistance) | £45.00 |
| Harold Griffiths (expenses, computer software, hire of hall) | £55.92 |
| Total Expenditure | £729.92 |
| Total in Main Account end of June 2017 | £2177.83 |
| | |
| Saving Account balance – 1st June 2017 | £10368.40 |
| Income into Savings Account June | £0.00 |
| Outgoings from Savings Account June | £0.00 |
| | |
| Total in Savings Account end of June 2017 | £10368.40 |
| | |
| Overall Total in Main and Savings Account | £12546.23 |
| | |
| Payments for July | |
| A & J Lighting D/D | £41.26 |
| Hire of Hall (no invoice yet) | £20.00 |
| SSE D/D (approx.) | £49.71 |
| | |
| | |
| Total Expenditure for July | £110.97 |